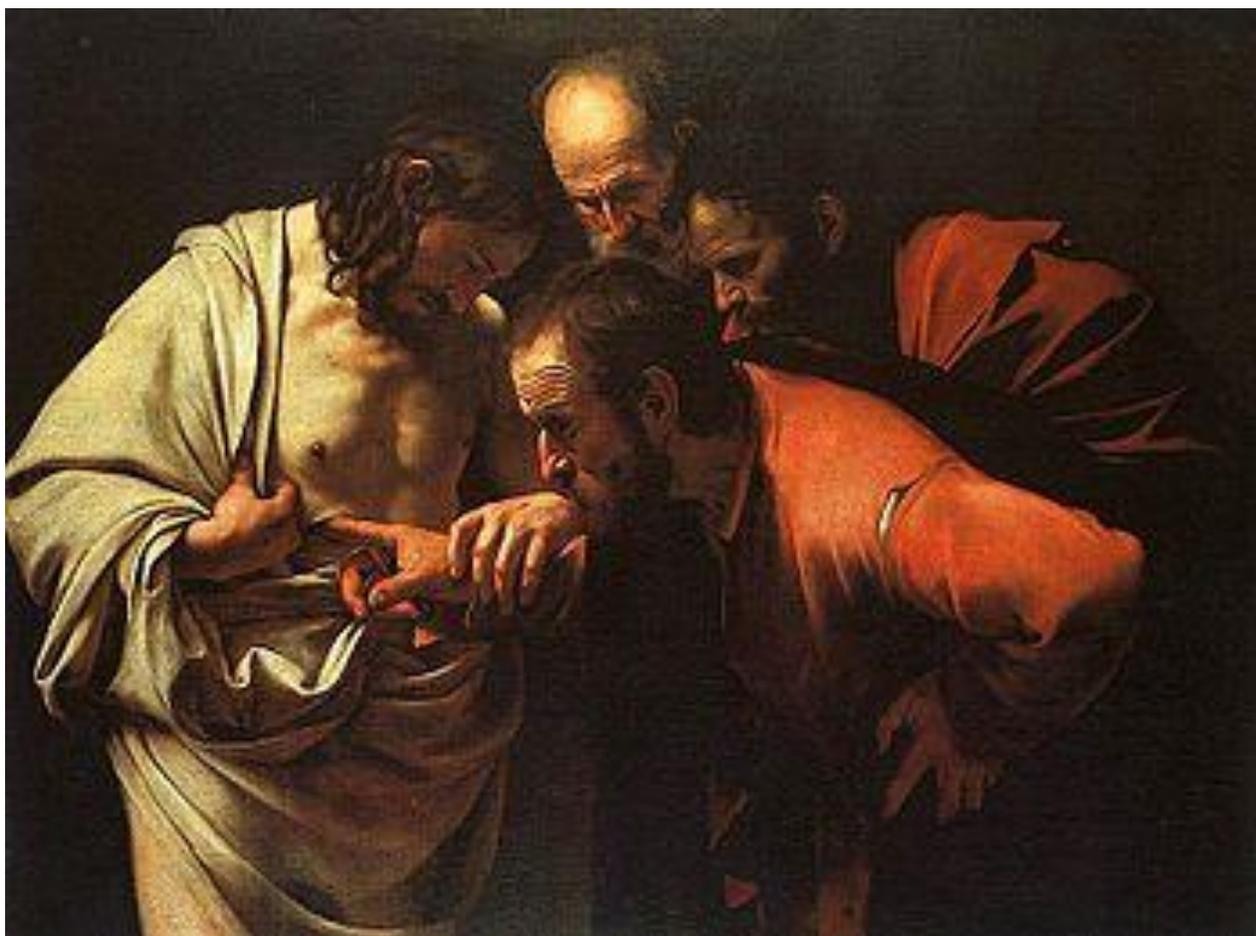


# St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



*The Incredulity of Saint Thomas (Caravaggio) c 1602*

Second Sunday of Easter  
April 11, 2021 10:00 AM

## Morning Prayer

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Prelude

Marl Lee Voort

Welcome and Announcements

Br. Jason Carroll

Opening Hymn: #397 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

**Praise the one who breaks the darkness with a liberating light.  
Praise the one who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the one who preached the gospel,  
healing every dread disease,  
calming storms and feeding thousands  
with the very bread of peace.**

**Praise the one who blessed the children  
with a strong yet gentle word.  
Praise the one who drove out demons  
with a piercing two-edged sword.  
Praise the one who brings cool water  
to the desert's burning sand.  
From this well comes living water,  
quenching thirst in every land.**

**Praise the one true love incarnate:  
Christ who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose for many  
that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness,  
seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory,  
praise the One who makes us one.**

### The Penitential Rite

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51.18

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6, 7

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1.8, 9

*The officiant says to the people,*

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*All kneel and silence is kept. The officiant and people say together,*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The priest says, (while standing)*

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People: Amen.*

*(all stand)*

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Staff 1: *Officiant* Lord, o - pen our lips. *People* And our mouth shall pro - claim your praise.

Staff 2: *Officiant* O God, make speed to save us. *People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

Staff 3: All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it:

Staff 4: *Except in Lent, add,*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

## The Invitatory

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: **O come, let us worship.**

**Christ our Passover** *1 Corinthians 5.7–8; Romans 6.9–11; 1 Corinthians 15.20–22*

Alleluia!

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.  
Alleluia!**

**Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!**

**Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, \*  
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!**

## The Proclamation of the Word

*At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: **The Word of the Lord.***

*And the people shall respond: **Thanks be to God.***

**First Reading:** Acts 4:32-35

Allison Kittleson

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had.<sup>33</sup> With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all<sup>34</sup> that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales<sup>35</sup> and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.



How good it is for all to live to-gether in u - ni - ty.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is,  
 when brethren live together in unity!  
 It is like fine oil upon the head  
 that runs down upon the beard,  
 upon the beard of Aaron,  
 and runs down upon the collar of his robe. **R.**

It is like the dew of Hermon  
 that falls upon the hills of Zion.  
 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing:  
 life for evermore. **R**

### **Second Reading**      1 John 1:1-2:2

Len Robinson

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. <sup>2</sup>The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. <sup>3</sup>We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>We write this to make our<sup>[a]</sup> joy complete.

### **Light and Darkness, Sin and Forgiveness**

<sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all<sup>[b]</sup> sin.

<sup>8</sup> If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

2 My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. <sup>2</sup> He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

### **Gradual Hymn**

### **“In Christ Alone”**

**In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone!- who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless babe!  
this gift of love and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones He came to save:  
til on that cross as Jesus died,  
the wrath of God was satisfied -  
for every sin on Him was laid;  
here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body laid,  
light of the world by darkness slain:  
then bursting forth in glorious Day,  
up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
sin’s curse has lost its grip on me,  
for I am His and He is mine –  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the power of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Til He returns or calls me home,  
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!**

**Gospel Reading** John 20:19-31

Wendy Doherty

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

<sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

<sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

*At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,*    The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon**

Br. Jason Carroll

**Anthem**

**“Hymn Medley”**

Bamise Banwo, baritone and Ayo Aramide, piano

*(all stand)*

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

**Intercessions and Thanksgivings**            *(all kneeling)*            Keith Griffioen

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer Pray for St. James, Calgary and their clergy Dane Neufeld and Sam Aylesworth. In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St. Peter, St. Luke, and Byera Chapel, on Grenada and The Rev. Junior Ballantyne.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those who assist with worship ministries: Lay Readers, Lectors and Sanctuary Guild.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. *(All kneel)*

*All* **Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Hymn #220 "Crown Him With Many Crowns"**

**Crown Him with many crowns,  
the Lamb up on His throne;  
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own:  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
of Him who died for thee,  
and hail Him as they matchless King  
through all eternity.**

**Crown Him the Lord of life,  
who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife  
for those he came to save:  
His glories now we sing  
who died and rose on high;  
who died eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.**

**Crown Him the Lord of peace,  
whose power a sceptre sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
and all be prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end,  
and round his pierced feet  
fair flowers of Paradise extend  
their fragrance ever sweet.**

**Crown Him the Lord of love;  
behold His hands and side,  
those wounds yet visible above  
in beauty glorified.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise shall never, never fail  
Throughout eternity.**

**Dismissal**

**The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen**

**Postlude**

“Verdi prati”- G.F. Mandel

Sung by Bamise Banwo, baritone

**Flowers at the altar to the Glory of God**

In loving memory of Bill and Timothy, Anne and Bill, Billy Jr., Margaret and Terry

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