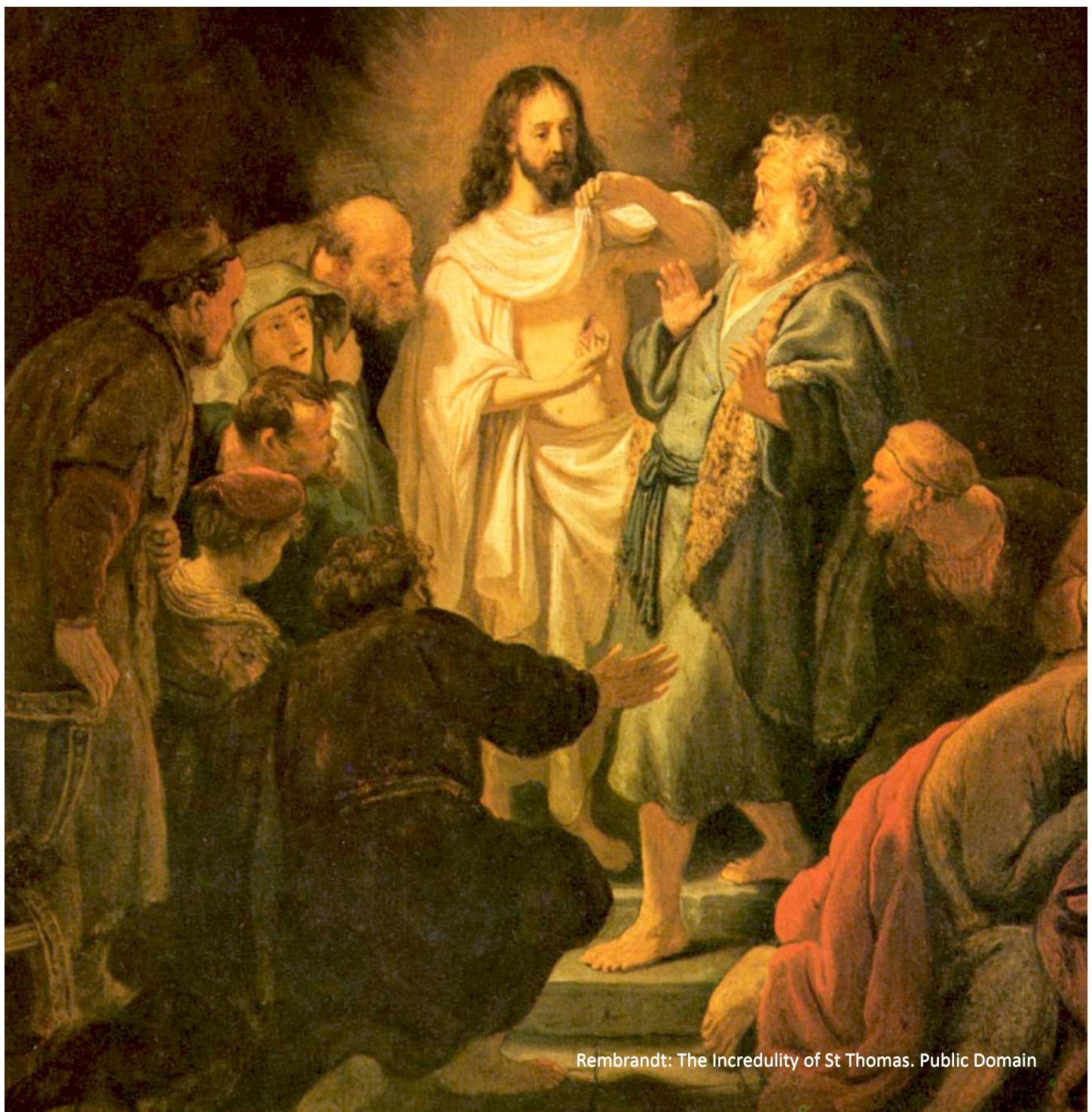




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# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

APRIL 24, 2022 - THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)



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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This Sunday we hear the story of St. Thomas, who was not with the other disciples when the Risen Jesus first appeared to them. We can be condemnatory about St. Thomas because he refused to believe unless he had the evidence of his own eyes. Truth to tell, there is an element of St. Thomas in all of us - he did us a favor by displaying questioning faith.

The Lord appreciated the caution of St. Thomas and knew of his loyalty. And it is from St. Thomas that we hear the purest act of faith in Jesus on the lips of anybody in the gospel: "my Lord and my God!" He proclaimed Jesus as the one, true God of Israel. The story of St. Thomas is used by the evangelist to exemplify the transition from the days of the physical life of Jesus to the era of the Risen Lord. In this new age faith in Jesus is no longer based on physical contact and witnessing signs, but on hearing the work that is preached by the disciples.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

This statement of faith leads to St. John's concluding reflection on the signs given by Jesus. We are to perform the work begun when the Holy Spirit commissioned the disciples to carry on the mission of Jesus. We are to proclaim the work so that others might hear and receive the grace of faith: "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this may have life through his name."

Today is also Divine Mercy Sunday which promotes a devotion which reminds us of the overwhelming love and mercy of God which is mediated for us by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The situation in Ukraine continues to horrify. Please remember the intention of peace and reconciliation in your prayers. We thought that such wars were in our past, however, human arrogance and false ambition attest to the necessity for Gospel values to take root in the hearts of all people.. When Pope Paul VI addressed the United Nations in 1965, he made an impassioned plea for peace and avoidance of war. His words have been endorsed by all his successors and particularly by Pope Francis who chose his papal name in honor of St. Francis whose life and mission symbolized the centrality of peace and justice to the Christian life.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."  
John 20 : 29.

- Fr. Des.

## Act of Spiritual Communion



My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into  
my soul. Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my  
heart. I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite myself wholly  
to You. Never permit me to be  
separated from You. Amen.

## PEACE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS



*While this prayer has always been attributed to St. Francis, the author is actually unknown. The prayer does wonderfully represent the spirit of St. Francis and the Franciscan Orders.*

Lord, make me an instrument of your **peace**;  
where there is hatred,  
let me sow **love**;  
where there is injury, **pardon**;  
where there is doubt, **faith**;  
where there is despair, **hope**;  
where there is darkness, **light**;  
and where there is sadness, **joy**.

O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not  
so much seek  
to be consoled, as to **console**;  
to be understood, as to **understand**;  
to be loved, as to **love**;  
for it is in giving that we **receive**,  
it is in pardoning that we are **pardon**ed,  
and it is in dying that we are  
**born to eternal life**.

Amen.

## The Memorare Prayer

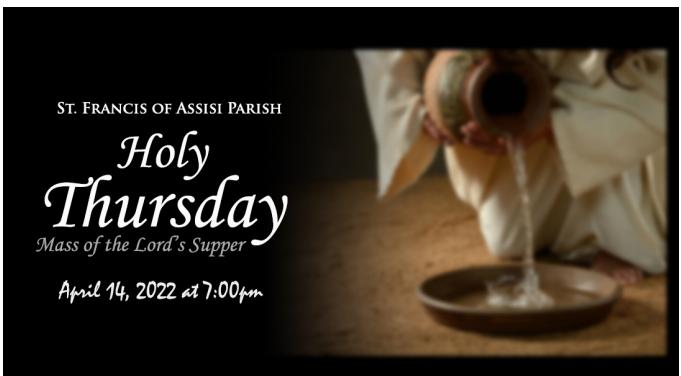
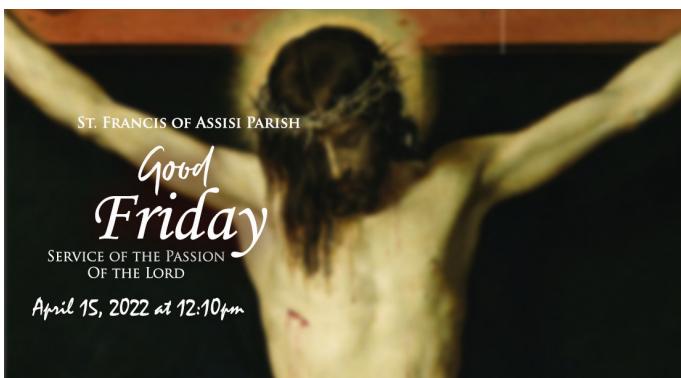
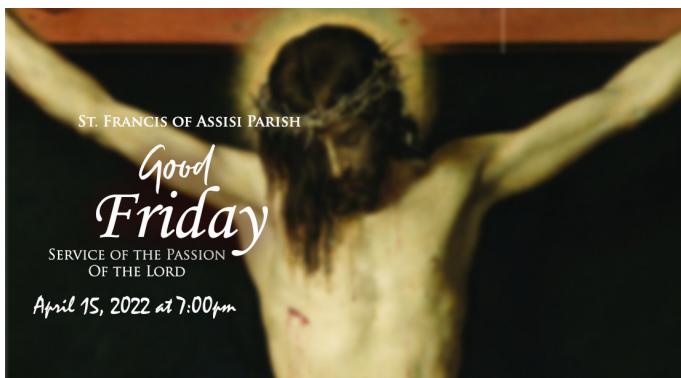


Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother. To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

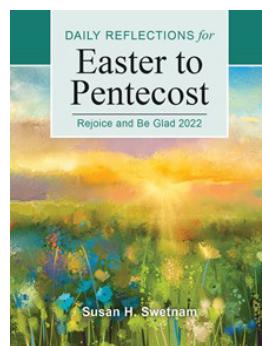
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions,  
but in your mercy  
hear and answer me.  
Amen.

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Taize and Stations of the Cross streamed during Lent are also available on our YouTube site.

## PRAY



### REJOICE AND BE GLAD: DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR EASTER 2022

Pick up a copy of this booklet of reflections for the Easter season, available after Mass starting on Easter Sunday, and available until sold out. **\$1 donation each, while supplies last.**

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### THE POPE TWEETS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 2021

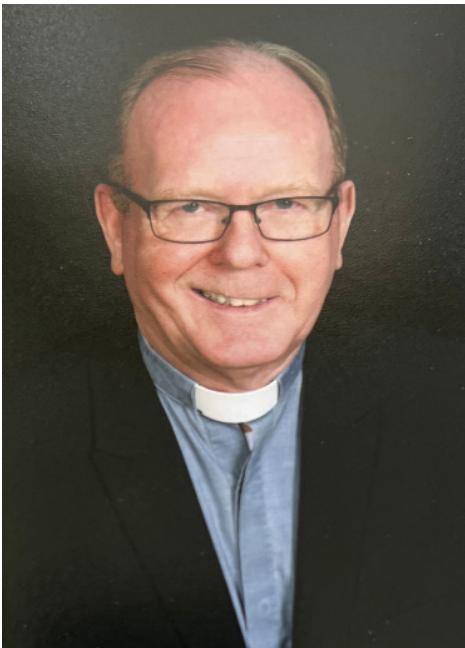
Today is the day to ask, "Am I, who have so often received God's mercy, merciful to others?" Let us not live a one-way faith, a faith that receives but does not give. Having received mercy, let us now become merciful.

#DivineMercy

*Franciscus*  
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## WEEKLY READINGS

- Sun: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;  
 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31
- Mon: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
- Tue: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
- Wed: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
- Thu: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
- Fri: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
- Sat: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
- Sun: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;  
 Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]



## SAVE THE DATE

Date June 5th  
**Farewell Fr. Des**  
Mass and Reception

Sunday June 5th at the 9:30 am Mass followed by a reception in the parking lot. This will be an opportunity for the children of our School and members of the Parish to bid a fond farewell to our Pastor of the last 6 years.

More Information to follow.

*Farewell Committee Team*

*Ivan Hrga, Emer McKenna, Beth White, JD Warrick and Bob Reid*



## 2022 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Election will be held May 28 & 29th at all Masses.

The Parish Pastoral Council is an elected body of parishioners each bringing different gifts to the table to help support our parish. The Parish Pastoral Council assists the pastor in serving the parish community by exploring the needs of the parish and responding appropriately. This is accomplished through prayer, listening and dialogue. The council currently has five positions up for election this year. If you are interested in sharing your heart, ideas, knowledge and insights with our community please consider running.

### How to apply:

You can download a PDF application at: <https://stfrancisparish.com/PPC/apply2022.pdf> or pick up a paper copy in the church. Emailed submissions must be submitted by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20, 2022. Paper applications must be mailed to the Parish Council Election Committee in a sealed envelope post marked no later than May 14, 2022.

A photo (head shot) of each person applying must be emailed to [ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com](mailto:ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com).

### How to vote:

The Election will be held the weekend of May 28/29 after each mass.  
You must be a registered parishioner for at least one year in order to be eligible to vote.

### Election Results:

Results of the election will be certified at the June Parish Pastoral Council meeting and posted on the parish website/Facebook page. The newly elected members will take their seat at the July Parish Pastoral Council meeting.

If you have any questions, please email [ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com](mailto:ParishCouncil@stfrancisparish.com).

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

or Sunday of Divine Mercy

St. Francis of Assisi Parish  
April 23-24, 2022

**Gathering:**

**Halle, Halle, Halle**

Tony Alonso, Gabe Huck, John L. Bell

REFRAIN

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Cantor: Glory ... All: Halle, hallelujah!  
Cantor: Glory ... All: Halle, hallelujah!  
Cantor: Glory ... All: Hallelujah, hallelujah! (Refrain)

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**Gloria:**

**Mass of Remembrance**

Marty Haugen

REFRAIN

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. (Refrain)

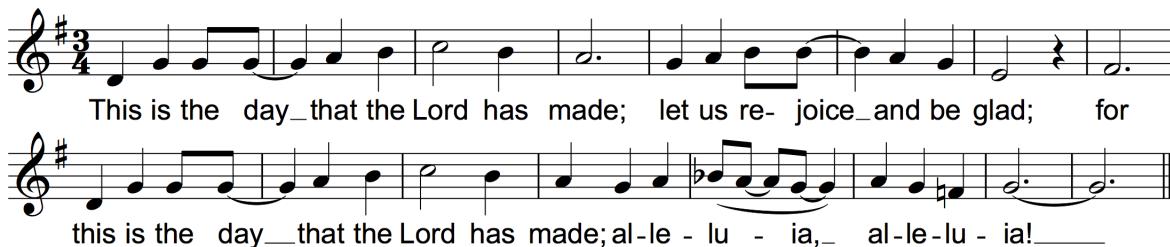
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. (Refrain)

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Refrain)

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**Psalm:** Psalm 118: "This is the Day..."

Scott Soper



This is the day that the Lord has made; let us re- joice\_and be glad; for  
this is the day that the Lord has made; al-le - lu - ia,\_ al-le-lu - ia!

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## Gospel Acclamation:

Owen Alstott



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## APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come 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 life everlasting. AMEN+

## Preparation of Gifts:

## *Three Days*

THAXTED/M.D. Ridge

Three days our world was broken; the Lord of life lay dead.  
“Take up your cross,” he told us who followed where he led.  
Would we now hang in torment with thieves on ev’ry side,  
our Passover shattered, our hope crucified?  
Three days we hid in silence, in bitter fear and grief.  
Three days we clung together where he had washed our feet.

Three days— and on the third day, the women came at dawn.  
His tomb, they said, was empty, his broken body gone.  
Who could believe their story? The dead do not arise,  
yet he walks among us, and with our own eyes  
we’ve seen him at this table; we’ve shared his bread and wine.  
Hearts burning bright within us, we’ve seen his glory shine.

Three days our world was broken and in an instant healed,  
God’s covenant of mercy in mystery revealed.  
Two thousand years are one day in God’s eternal sight,  
and yesterday’s sorrows are this day’s delight.  
Though still Christ’s body suffers, pierced daily by the sword,  
yet death has no dominion: the risen Christ is Lord!

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## Liturgy of the Eucharist:

## *Mass of Remembrance*

Marty Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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## Communion:

### Ye Sons and Daughters

O FILII ET FILIAE/Josh Blakesley

Ye sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heav'n, the glorious King,  
O'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

The musical notation is in G clef, 6/8 time. It consists of six measures of a repeating melody. The first measure starts with a quarter note followed by a eighth note, then a dotted half note. The second measure starts with a eighth note followed by a quarter note, then a dotted half note. The third measure starts with a quarter note followed by a eighth note, then a dotted half note. The fourth measure starts with a eighth note followed by a quarter note, then a dotted half note. The fifth measure starts with a quarter note followed by a eighth note, then a dotted half note. The sixth measure starts with a eighth note followed by a quarter note, then a dotted half note.

REFRAIN  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way  
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

An angel clad in white they see, Who sat, and spoke unto the three,  
"Your Lord has gone to Galilee." Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

That night the apostles met in fear; Amidst them came their Lord most dear,  
And said, "My peace be on all here." Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord,  
He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

"My pierced side, O Thomas, see; My hands, my feet, I show to thee;  
Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

No longer Thomas then denied, He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
"Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

How blest are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith has constant been,  
For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

On this most holy day of days, To God your hearts and voices raise,  
In laud, and jubilee and praise. Alleluia! **(to Refrain)**

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## Sending Forth:

### Join in the Dance

Dan Schutte

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Join in the dance of the earth's ju - bi - la - tion! This is the feast of the  
love of God. Shout from the heights to the ends of cre - a - tion:  
Je - sus the Sav - ior is ris - en from the grave!

Wake, O people sleep no longer: greet the breaking day!  
Christ, Redeemer, Lamb and Lion, turns the night away. **(Refrain)**

Now our shame becomes our glory on this holy tree.

Now the reign of death is ended; now we are set free! **(Refrain)**

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