



Highlands United Methodist Church  
Order of Online Worship  
April 19, 2020 at 10:30 AM  
The Second Sunday of Easter

*The Reverend Mikah Hudson, Preaching*  
*The Reverend Henry Gibson & The Reverend Deb Welsh, Liturgists*  
*Reggie Holder, Children's Moment*  
*Richard Phillips, Choirmaster and Organist*  
*David Busby, Lindsay Dawson, Thomas Head, and Mary Elizabeth Neal, Chamber Choir*

Prelude *Chorale Prelude on O filii et filiae* *Alexandr  Guilman (1837-1911)*  
*Opus 49, No. 2*

Call to Worship *The Reverend Henry Gibson*

Hymn *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* REGENT SQUARE

**Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heave to earth should ring.  
Christ has brought us heaven's choices; heavenly music, let it ring:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Easter people, let us sing.**

**Fear of death can no more stop us from our pressing here below.  
For our Lord empowered us to triumph over every foe.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.**

**Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.  
When in trouble, move the faster to our God who rights the wrong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs**

The Lesson *John 20:19-31*  
*Beth Douthit, reader*

<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.

May these words reveal Christ to us.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Reggie Holder

The Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

The Reverend Deb Welsh

Anthem

**O Sons and Daughters**

*The Choir*

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

*When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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

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

*15th Century French, arranged by Robert Shaw (1916-1999) and Alice Parker (b. 1925)*

*Text, Jean Tisserand (1494)*

Homily & Blessing

The Reverend Mikah Hudson

Church Announcements

The Reverend Henry Gibson

Postlude

**Toccata**

*from Symphony for Organ No. 5*

*Opus 42, No. 1*

*Charles Marie Widor (1844-1937)*