First Sunday after Easter

Sunday, the Nineteenth of April,
Two Thousand Twenty
Almighty Father, who hast sent thy dear Son to bring us to thee, grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve thee in pureness of living and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing
Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n a long,

Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,
O praise him, Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,

Thou silver moon with softer gleam: O praise him, O praise him,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice: O praise him, O praise him,

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.
GENERAL CONFESSION

WELCOME

SIGN OF PEACE

OPENING SENTENCES

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All shall sit.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

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The Assured of Pardon

The Lord's Prayer

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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, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

VERSICLES

Prayerbook, p. 6

Minister O Lord, open thou our lips;
People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
All shall stand.

Minister Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God;
People Be honor and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. Amen.

Minister Praise ye the Lord.
People The Lord’s name be praised.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!
    O Lord my God, thou art very great!
Thou art clothed with honour and majesty,
Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment,
    who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain,
Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters,
    who maketh the clouds his chariot,
    who walketh upon the wings of the wind,
Who maketh his angels spirits,
    his ministers a flaming fire;
Thou sendest the springs into the valleys,
    which run among the hills;
They give drink to every beast of the field;
    the wild asses quench their thirst.
By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation,
    which sing among the branches.
He watereth the hills from his chambers;
    the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.
He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle,
    and herbs for the service of man,
    that he may bring forth food out of the earth,
And wine that maketh glad the heart of man,
    and oil to make his face to shine,
    and bread which strengtheneth man's heart.
The trees of the Lord are full of sap;
    the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted.
In them the birds make their nests;
    as for the stork, the fir trees are her house.
The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats;
    and the rocks are for the badgers.
Man goeth forth unto his work
    and to his labor until the evening.
O Lord, how manifold are thy works!
    In wisdom hast thou made them all;
    the earth is full of thy riches.

GOSPEL

John 20: 19-21, 24-29

MOTET

Blessed are the Eyes
Fred Gramann (born 1950)
*Versicles

Minister The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Minister Let us pray.

All shall sit.

Minister O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
People And grant us thy salvation.
Minister O God, make clean our hearts within us;
People And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Intercessions

General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all people. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; in whose name we ascribe unto thee all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Prayerbook, pp. 17-18

Bold text invites all to respond in unison as willing or able.
* HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, For the splendor of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies;
Lord of all, to thee we raise This, our hymn of grateful praise. Amen.

2 For the joy of ear and eye,
   For the heart and mind’s delight,
   For the mystic harmony
       Linking sense to sound and sight;
   Lord of all, to thee we raise
   This, our hymn of grateful praise.

3 For the wonder of each hour,
   Of the day and of the night,
   Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
   Sun and moon and stars of light,
   Lord of all, to thee we raise
   This, our hymn of grateful praise.

* All are invited to stand as willing or able; please feel free to stay seated if this is your preference.
*Benediction*

Postlude

Grand Jeu
Jon Laukvik (born 1952)

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Rev. Tricia Brennan, Guest Preacher
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KING’S CHAPEL COVENANT
In the love of truth, and in the spirit of Jesus Christ,
we unite for the worship of God and the service of all.

Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life’s journey,

you are welcome here!

TO OUR VISITORS
Welcome to King’s Chapel! We are happy to have you with us this morning. Please join us for refreshments and conversation after the service. Also, a volunteer guide will be at the Chancel Rail after worship to tell you something of our history and present activity and answer any questions you may have. If you are new to King’s Chapel, please sign our Fellowship Pads found in your pew, and give your sheet to a Minister.

ACCESSIBILITY ASSISTS
Our beautiful Georgian sanctuary was designed by Peter Harrison and completed in 1754. One of the box pews has been made wheelchair accessible. Ushers are available to assist those who are wheelchair users to that pew. There is also an accessible bathroom in the vestry. A sound system has been installed in the sanctuary of the Chapel to amplify the sound during worship services. Hearing assistance devices are available for your use. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHURCH SCHOOL - NURSERY
Our church school program for pre-kindergarten to high school students is offered each Sunday at 10 AM after our Morning Light service at 64 Beacon Street. We also offer Nursery Care for infants and toddlers from 9 AM - 12:30 PM each Sunday at the same location. E-mail david.waters@kings-chapel.org with any questions.

MEMBERSHIP
The Membership Committee works to welcome newcomers into the life of the King’s Chapel community. Those interested please contact Minister for Education and Membership David Waters at david.waters@kings-chapel.org, or Membership Chair Christopher Allen, at comradechris@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

BEDE LIST
In Morning Prayer on Sundays, we offer prayers to God for those who are in special need in any way. If you wish to add any names to our List, or remove any at this time, please speak with our Ministers, or leave a message with our Parish Administrator (617-227-2155 x 108).

PARTNER CHURCH
King’s Chapel is affiliated as partner church with the First Unitarian Church of Kolozsvár in Transylvania (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), a relationship inaugurated in 1922 celebrating the historic roles of both churches in the birth of Unitarian theology.

TWO REDUCED-RATE PARKING TICKETS
We have reduced rate parking for weekends for both One Beacon Street Garage and the Boston Common Garage.
One Beacon Street Garage: When you enter the garage turn immediately left, take a ticket and then park. Bring your ticket to church and ask the Verger or Lead Usher to stamp your ticket. When returning to the parking garage, present your ticket to the attendant in the kiosk and pay, then leave. With the ticket validation you receive a reduced rate of $10 for parking ($2.00 off). Boston Common Garage: You can receive a reduced rate ticket for $9.00 for weekend parking. Tickets are available for purchase in advance by contacting our office at 617-227-2155 or in person at our Parish House office at 64 Beacon Street, Monday - Friday 9 AM - 4PM.