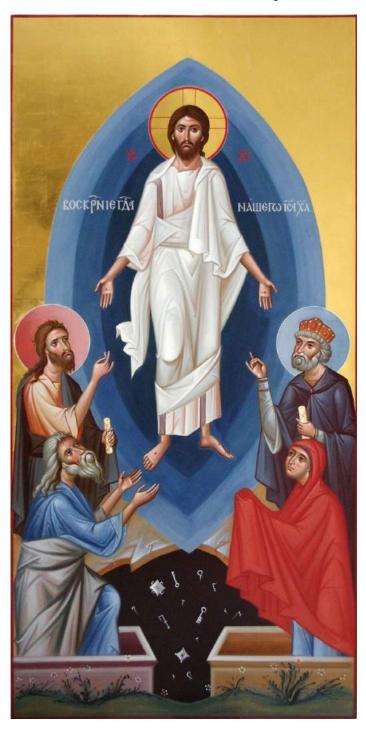
The Resurrection Of Our Lord: Easter Sunday



March 31, 2024 10:30 AM



Welcome to St. Clare's! We are delighted that you are worshipping with us on this joyous Easter Sunday. Whoever you are, wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here, and welcome to join us in Holy Communion.

If this is your first time visiting with us, we invite you to take a moment to fill out the Visitor's Card located in the pew, or the Visitor's Book in the Narthex, so that we may get to know you better. We hope that you will consider joining our community as we grow together in relationship with God and with one another.

If you have a pastoral concern or need, or would like more information about the Episcopal Church, please feel free to call the church office at 706-745-0607 to make an appointment with me.

Blessings, Liz+

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary Risoluto Allegro and Larghetto from *Concerto in Eb Major Kip Zimmerman*, *oboe*

Vincenzo Bellini

Processional

He is risen, he is risen!

Hymnal, 180



Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: Unser Herrscher, Joachim Neander (1650-1680).

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria Hymnal, S-280*



The Collect of the Day (standing)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (congregation joins refrain)



- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is | good; *
 - his mercy endures for | ever.
- 2 Let Israel now pro-| claim, *
 "His mercy endures for | ever."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my | song, *
- and he has become my sal-| vation.

 15 There is a sound of exultation and | victory *

in the tents of the | righteous:

Refrain

- 16 "The right hand of the Lord has | triumphed! *
 - the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
 - the right hand of the Lord has | triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but | live, *
 - and declare the works of the | Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished me | sorely, *

but he did not hand me over to | death.

- 19 Open for me the gates of | righteousness; *
 - I will enter them;
 - I will offer thanks to the | Lord.

Refrain

- 20 "This is the gate of the \mid Lord; *
 - he who is righteous may | enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me * and have become my sal-| vation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders re-| jected * has become the chief | cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord's | doing, * and it is marvelous in our | eyes.

Refrain

The Second Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn

Jesus lives! thy terrors now

Hymnal, 195



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The Holy Gospel: John 20:1-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the

linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord. *People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Liz Schellingerhoudt

Silence may be kept

The Nicene Creed BCP 326

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; give them courage and hope as we say their names responsively: Steve, Mary Will, Macy, Lynne, Michelle W., Barrett, Abby, Roanne, Lisa, Peter, George, Katherine, Greg, James, Debbie, Jerry, Mrs. Kim, Andy, Nanda, the Day Family, the Heldman family, John, Keith, Sharon, Renea, Carolyn, MaryAnn, Jane, Mary, Joy, McKinley, Katie, Edwina, Terri, Herb H., Al, Josh, Roz, Bob, Ann, Delores, Mary Lou, Pat, and Joan *That they may be delivered from their distress*.

Give to the departed eternal rest, including the victims of the bridge collapse in Baltimore, Rubye Day, Norma, all who have died in the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, and all who have died in the war in the Middle East.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

We pray for those who travel, especially all those on Spring Break; we give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, including Bill Fox, Lamar Barber, Tom Thomas, Susan Richtarcik, Maureen Hansen, Ken Kendrick, Camille Troth, and Chase Crawford; and those who celebrate anniversaries.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace (standing)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please exchange this greeting of peace with your neighbors.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Choral Anthem

O Sons and Daughters of the King

Paul Sjolund

Presentation Hymn

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Hymnal, 380



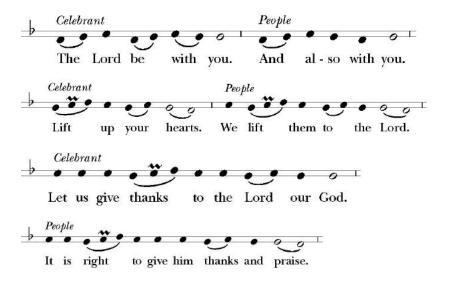


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Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, all.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer B

The people remain standing.



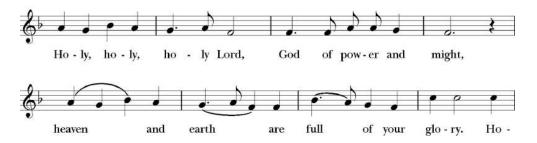
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

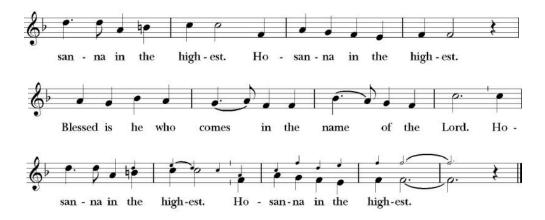
But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and he has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Hymnal, S-125*





The celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Mary, blessed Clare, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

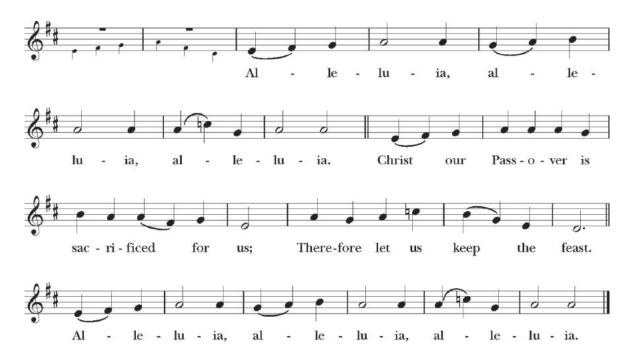
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen*.

And now, as our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem Hymnal, S-155*



Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Distribution of Communion

Communion Hymns

Fantasia is Bb, no. 4 *Kip Zimmerman, oboe*Alleluia, alleluia

Georg Philipp Telemann

Hymnal, 178

Post Communion Prayer (said by all standing)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Blessing



Postlude

Allegro Polonese from Concerto in Eb Major Kip Zimmerman, oboe

Vincenzo Bellini

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Those Who Serve Easter Day, 10:30 AM

Verger—Lynnae Boudreau

Crucifer—Lamar Barber

Lector 1—Lynnae Boudreau

Lector 2—Lisa McElfresh

Eucharistic Minister—Lynnae Boudreau

Ushers—Lynne Joynes & Jerome Laux

Greeter—Jo Ellen Clow

VPOD—Mary Buonagura & Lynne Joynes

Altar Guild—Linda Boyett, Kathy McNeese, & Diana Symins

Flower Guild—Entire Guild

Videographer—Haley Dyer

Easter Flower Tributes

In Memory Of

Norma and Charles Lembcke

My mother - Helen Mayfield

Richard Jarom

Gratia and George Underhill Kahle

Ray Logan

Our mothers - Becky and Mickey

Herbert Hair

Michael Pizycki

Our parents - Alvin and Lorton Lewis,

Arie Schellingerhoudt,

and Willemijn von der Mey

Eva Breedlove and Ron Jones

Patricia Yost and James Yost

In Honor Of

The participants in the music ministry

My granddaughters - Lily, Grace, and

Beatrice

Our family and friends for the love and

support during our birthdays

Carol

Barry, Rebecca, Deborah, and Alexa

Kempson, and Trisha McElfresh

Joshua Nelson

All of the special angels who contributed

to my successful move

Given By

Karen and Sandy Calloway

Mary Dahl

Linda Jarom

Craig Kahle

Nancy Logan

Pat and Bill Murray

Jo Ann Pedlar

Adele Pizycki

Liz and Kees Schellingerhoudt

Mary Beth Wiles and Leslie Davis

Julie, Chris, Robin, and Will Yost

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Jo Ellen Clow

Herb and Betty-Bruce Hoover

Robert McCormick

Lisa and Tom McElfresh

Elizabeth Nelson

Jane Wedemeyer

Thank you to the many folks who helped us prepare for Holy Week, the Easter Vigil, and Easter Day. From folding bulletins to stuffing Easter eggs, preparing the altar to designing flowers, singing in the choir to setting up the Parish Hall for a joyous feast, this church is filled with generous hearts and hands.

Happy Easter!

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

Alleluia!



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