

HALLELUJAH,
He is
Risen!

*As Christ was raised up from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
even so we also should walk
in newness of life. ROMANS 6:4*

Welcome! We come from many backgrounds, have varied points of view, and are in different places in our spiritual journey. We share a common desire to enter more deeply into the life God has for us in Christ Jesus.

Thank you for worshipping here today. We invite you to share in the bread and wine of communion with us at the Lord's Table.

Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

Please join us after the service for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish House.

If you are joining us today for the first time, please sign the register in the Narthex or complete the visitor's card located in each pew and place in the offering plate.

EASTER

Easter, or Resurrection Sunday, is a festival and holiday commemorating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, described in the New Testament as having occurred on the third day after his burial following his crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary. It is the culmination of the Passion of Jesus, preceded by Lent, a 40-day period of fasting, prayer, and penance.

The Easter Season begins on Easter Sunday and lasts seven weeks, ending with the coming of the 50th day, Pentecost Sunday. Easter and the holidays that are related to it are moveable feasts which do not fall on a fixed date. It has come to be the first Sunday after the full moon that falls on or after March 21 - the vernal equinox. It cannot occur before March 22 or after April 25.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude:

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Announcements

Entrance Hymn: *[All stand]*

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

[Everyone in Unison remaining standing]

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.

Gloria

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GLORIA

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Glo - ry, glo - ry to God in the high - est,
p and — peace to his peo - ple on earth. *f* Lord — God, —
p heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther We
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
f glo - ry, we praise you for your glo - ry, Lord, — Lord —
p Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, *f* Lord — God, —
p Lamb of — God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have
mer - cy on us, — You are — seat - ed at the right hand of the
f Fa - ther, re - ceive our pray'r, re - ceive our pray'r.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord.

You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the

Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

See Scripture Insert (Contemporary)

The First Lesson

See Scripture Insert

Before the lesson

Reader: A reading from the Book of

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

After the lesson

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

See Scripture Insert

The Second Lesson

See Scripture Insert

Before the lesson

Reader: A reading from

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

After the lesson

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: [*All stand*]

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The Gospel [*All stand and face the Celebrant*]

See Scripture Insert

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

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

After the Gospel

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed [*All stand and say together*]

**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 Great 50 Days of Easter *[All standing]*

The Leader and People (in bold) pray responsively.

Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered his people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us lift our voices and pray.

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings He showers upon us:

For our lives and for those whom we love,
For the beauty of this home God has created for us,
For our families and our friendships,
Let us give thanks to the God of Life.

(Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.)

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the Church, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God:

For our clergy and our bishops,
for the many lay people who serve the church,
and serve the world through the church.
For those gathered here in worship and prayer.

(Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.)

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the newly baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith.

(Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.)

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, and that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up.

(Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.)

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, those who struggle; and those who have died:

That the hope born of Easter gives them peace, acceptance and renewal, and that through their struggles they may come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores.

(Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.)

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

The Peace *[All stand and greet one another in the name of the Lord]*

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

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory:

See Information Sheet

Doxology *[Sung]*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

[Eucharistic Prayer A—BCP 361]

[The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says]

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

[Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds]

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

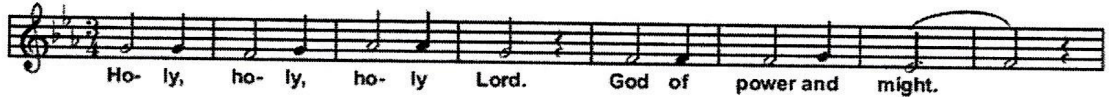
[Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.]

The Celebrant continues]

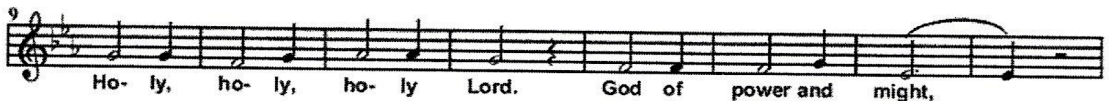
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Franz Peter Schubert, 1797-1828



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord. God of power and might.



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord. God of power and might,



hea- ven and earth are full, full of your glo- ry. Ho-



san- na in the high est. Ho- san- na in the high- est.



Bless- ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



san- na in the high- est. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

[The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.]

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

[At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.]

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

[Celebrant and People]

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues]

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

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A - men. A - men. A - men.

TEXT: From liturgical text
MUSIC: Arno Daniell

DANISH AMEN

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Agnus Dei (Jesus, Lamb of God): [*Celebrant and people singing*]

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Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God

The Holy Eucharist
Agnus Dei

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (ca. 1957)

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add: Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

In the Episcopal Church we believe that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion at the Lord's Table. Please come forward as you are able or ask an usher for Communion at your seat.

[The Celebrant and the communicants receive the Sacrament. The following or similar words are said to each at the distribution and each responds, saying Amen.]

Celebrant: The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

People: **Amen.**

Eucharistic Minister: The Blood of Christ, the cup of Salvation.

People: **Amen.**

Post Communion Hymn:

See Information Sheet

After Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

[The Celebrant and People standing say together]

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 of the Congregation

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son, Jesus Christ, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **AMEN.**

Retiring Hymn:

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Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude:

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Alleluia

He is

Risen

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