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Sunday of Resurrection: Easter Day

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

March 31, 2024

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

(Music from Lyra Davidica)

Lucas Nudell, cello

Love Is Come Again

(French Carol, arr. Robert Roesch) with piano

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Rite

ENTRANCE HYMN: Jesus Christ is risen today



H 207 Easter Hymn



OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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.**

GLORY TO GOD: *Glory to God (Canticle 20)*



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

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The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

The people sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and the other Gentiles]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He 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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Remain seated. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; * his mercy endures for ever. ²Let Israel now proclaim, * "His mercy endures for ever." ¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, * and he has become my salvation. ¹⁵There is a sound of exultation and victory * in the tents of the righteous: 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!" ¹⁷I shall not die, but live, * and declare the works of the LORD. ¹⁸The LORD has punished me sorely, * but he did not hand me over to death. ¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness; * I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD. ²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; * he who is righteous may enter." ²¹I will give thanks to you, for you answered me * and have become my salvation. ²²The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone. ²³This is the LORD's doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴On this day the LORD has acted; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest All stand. Sing verses 1-2 before the Gospel; sing verses 3-4 after the Gospel.*



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GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8 All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

[And all that had been commanded them they told briefly to those around Peter. And afterward Jesus himself sent out through them, from east to west, the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.]]

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE CREED

All stand.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, The Rev. Victor C. Hailey

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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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Kneel as you are able.

Presider: We come with anticipation on this first day of the week to become witnesses, sharing in the resurrection life of Jesus, as we pray: Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Litanist: Almighty One, you have filled your Church with new life and empowered us through the conquering love of Jesus: Raise us with your Spirit that we may live in the power of Christ's resurrection to bring life and light to all the world. Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Litanist: The right hand of the Most High has triumphed over evil and death, bringing new hope to all the world: Speak your living truth to everyone who leads and holds authority among the nations, that they may be agents of life and justice. Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Litanist: The Apostle Peter has taught us, O God, that you show no partiality, but you accept all who live reverently and do right: Let your peace extend to every person, that the power of evil and injustice may be banished, and all people may live as beloved children of the divine. Alleluia! Christ is risen. **People:** He is risen indeed. Alleluia! Litanist: Be with us in this community that we may be glad witnesses of your goodness, O Holy One. Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Christ the wounded healer has overcome all that can threaten us.

Let his resurrection power bring healing and hope to those for whom we pray, especially: Shannon, Christina, Patty, Sarah Bass, Dorothy Waugh, Cheryl, Joan Langenfeld, Jean Sunday, Bette, Chuck Sands, Nancy, Joe, Toni Hoffer, Phil Hoge, Eloise Hendrixson, Loretta March, Mary Rice, Lindsey Tsouronis, Cary Stata, Jeanne Centofanti; Laurie, Jennifer, and Stephanie Fischbach and their families; Christine Canarecci, Judy Doneiko, Susan DiPaula, Heather Barna, Joanne Coughlin, David Burchette, and those we name with our lips or in our hearts.

For those who have been deployed and put in harm's way to defend our country.

And we pray for all those who work for the safety of our communities and the security of our country.

Give thanks to God who is good, whose mercy endures for ever. We offer our grateful gladness this Easter Day, especially for those in the fellowship of the faith in our Diocese: Immanuel Parish, Glencoe; St. George's Church, Hampstead; and St. James' Parish, Monkton; and in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer: we pray for our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico and for Church in the Province of the West Indies.

Christ has died and is risen, bringing life and immortality to light. We remember those who have died. May they live in him and share in the joy of Easter. Alleluia! Christ is risen. **People:** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Presider: You have anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, O Eternal One, and raised him from death on the cross into resurrection life: Feed us with his life as we eat and drink with him in this Easter Eucharist, that we may be his witnesses, sharing in the Spirit's work of reconciliation and peace, through the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY/ ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE HOLY COMMUNION: Eucharistic Prayer B

OFFERTORY: *Lift Up Your Heads*

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

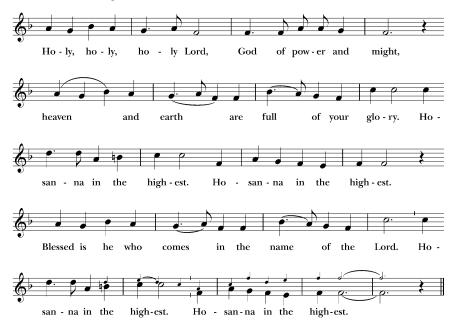
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his 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:

SANCTUS: Holy, holy, holy Celebrant and People



The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

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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,

Celebrant and People

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 the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Stephen, 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.**

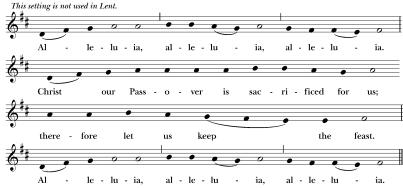
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, *People and Celebrant*

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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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM: Christ our Passover



The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen*.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen*.]

COMMUNION: *Rejoice in the Lord Always* (Anonymous, Edited by Peter Le Hurray and David Willcocks)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

EASTER BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

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CLOSING HYMN: The day of resurrection



DISMISSAL

People

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE: The Day of Resurrection

(arr. Krysta Leo)

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