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Sunday, April 5, 2026
The Sunday of the Resurrection
EASTER SUNDAY

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Holy Eucharist

Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026

Prelude

Processional Hymn: *Hymn 179: Welcome, happy morning!*

All stand.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Gloria (S-280)

BCP 356

All stand.

Celebrant and People

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 357

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: Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "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."

The Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give 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.

The Second Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4

³So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Sequence Hymn: *Hymn 182: Christ is alive! (Verses 1 through 3)*

The Holy Gospel: John 20:1-18

²⁰Early 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. ²So 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.” ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and 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. ¹³They 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.” ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus 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.”¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher).¹⁷ 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.’”¹⁸ 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 Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

All stand.

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 — Form II

BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops, Audrey and Kevin; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for _____.

Silence

I ask your thanksgiving for _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The People stand or kneel.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

**have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

***People:* Amen.**

The Peace

BCP 360

All stand.

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

***People:* And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

BCP 361

Offertory Anthem: *Is He Worthy?* (arr. Dan Forrest)

Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 361

The People remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Sanctus · S-129:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel.

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.

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.

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.

***People:* AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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

Celebrant and People

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

BCP 364

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Agnus Dei · S-163:

Celebrant and People

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Communion Hymn: *My Lord, What a Morning* (Roger C. Wilson)

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

The People stand.

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.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Hymn 207: Jesus Christ is risen today*

The Dismissal

BCP 366

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

***People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude



***The altar flowers are given to the
Glory of God.***

Our thanks to our liturgical leaders:

Eucharistic Ministers: *Judy Hawthorn and Kurt Waldner.*

Crucifers and Acolytes: *Jack Fox, Amelia Staley, Maria and Ceci Benavides.*

Ushers: *George Park and Brian Fogarty.*

Video Streaming: *Sarah Peasley and Everett Golding.*

Offering Counters: *Doris Strange and Bonnie Stuart.*

Welcome to Mount Calvary! We invite you to fully participate in this Holy Eucharist. The ushers will direct you to the Holy Table for either reception of the Holy Communion or for a blessing. If you desire gluten free Bread, please let the Celebrant know and such will be provided. Restrooms are to your right as you exit

the church. All are invited to fellowship hour in the lower hall after the 10am service; elevator and staircase are to your left as you exit.

Christian Churches United will be hosting the 2026 United in Love Conference on Saturday, **May 16**, at Camp Hill United Methodist Church. This event seeks to deepen our embrace of our neighbors, educate ourselves in best practices, and dream of how we might embody the way of Jesus in our ever-changing world. Representatives from the Mt. Calvary Outreach Committee will be in attendance and we welcome anyone else to join us! Register at tinyurl.com/bdz2yyzk.

Do You Have a Medical Background? If you have medical experience, please let Rick Steinmetz or the office know. Please include your contact information and the Saturday or Sunday service you attend. Rick can be reached at 223-488-2426.

Parish Prayer List and Prayer Chain: The Mt. Calvary Prayer Chain group on the Groups.io website includes a repository of prayer request messages as well as a database of current prayer requests, used as the parish prayer list. Parishioners willing to commit to praying faithfully for those on the current prayer list are welcome to join the Prayer Chain group. Those who simply wish to submit a prayer request without joining may do so by contacting the Prayer List Administrator (Jack Seefeldt: john.michael.seefeldt@gmail.com; 717.421.2919) or the Parish Administrator (mtcalvary@mtcp.org; 717.737.9834).

Please see the FAQ document, "Mount Calvary Prayer Requests: Using Groups.io Email List and Website," for more information on the table in the narthex.

Christian Ed:

- Pizza Club, Wednesday, **April 15**, 5-7pm.
- Youth Group, Sunday, **April 26**, 5:30-7pm.

MCP Women's Study Group: We are underway in our Women's Study Group, and we have been having meaningful and rich discussions with both laughter and tears! You might enjoy these wonderful gatherings, too! We invite you to join us! No

commitment is necessary, just drop in and see what you think and how you feel! We meet at 6:45-8:00 on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month downstairs in the Undercroft. Our next book will be *A Tree Full of Angels* by Macrina Wiederkehr, which we will be discussing at our next meeting on **April 8**. We hope to see you! Questions? Please call Marcia Wharton, 717-728-6322.

JOIN The Men's Breakfast Event! Saturday, **April 11**, from 8:30am to 9:30am. Aaron Pridmore will lead our discussion on Frederick Buechner's book, *Secrets in the Dark*. He will cover chapter 9, "A Room called Remember." Coffee and breakfast bites will be served. All men are welcome to this wonderful way to connect and share with one another! Join us and invite a guest! Questions call, or text Dean Wharton 717-329-1200.

Book Club: Meets Sunday, **April 12**, after the 10am service to discuss *What Happened to the Bennetts* by Lisa Scottoline. Contact Linda Farrell for more information.

Feed the Flock: Your opportunity to be a part of this effort – please sign up for a group cooking event or as a restocker. Signup sheet is in the narthex. A list of soup offerings is posted on the freezer in the undercroft; please help yourself. Please contact Cheri Fogarty, 717-557-6678, for more information.

Giving: Offerings can be put in the plate today or mailed. To give online, please visit <https://onrealm.org/MtCalvaryCampHill/giveow>. You can also use this QR code to contribute with your phone. Thank you for your generosity towards the mission of Mt Calvary.



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