

**April 9, 2023  
10:00 AM**

**Easter Sunday**

**HOLY EUCHARIST**



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Episcopal Church**

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seek to know Christ, to share Christ, and to serve Christ,  
recognizing his presence in all people,  
and reaching out in love to each other and to the world around us.

# WORD OF GOD

**Introit: Christ the Lord is Risen today, Arr. Albert Zabel**

*Bells/Piano*

## Opening Hymn:

Transposed from the key of A  
John of Damascus (8th century)  
tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

### The Day of Resurrection

H # 210

ELLACOMBE  
from *Gesangbuch ... der Herzogl.  
Württembergischen katholischen Hofkapelle*, 1784

1. The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad; the  
 2. Our hearts be - pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right the  
 3. Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin, the

Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God. From  
 Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light; and,  
 round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in; let

death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky, our  
 lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain his  
 all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend, for

Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
 Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy - that hath no end.

## *Opening Acclamation*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

## *Collect for Purity*

*All*

**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.**

## **Celtic Alleluia**

*Refrain (Harmony, S.A.B.)*      Hymns of Glory, Songs of Praise #346      CELTIC ALLELUIA

## *Collect of the Day*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

God of new creation, from the womb of earth you raised the Lord of life: may we receive the word of women who braved the soldier's spears and met him in the dawning light; may we live with morning joy that love will never die, through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life. **Amen.**

## ***The Lessons***

***First Reading***

***Jeremiah 31:1-6***

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the LORD:

The people who survived the sword  
    found grace in the wilderness;  
when Israel sought for rest,  
    the LORD appeared to him from far away.  
I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
    therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.  
Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
    O virgin Israel!  
Again you shall take your tambourines,  
    and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.  
Again you shall plant vineyards  
    on the mountains of Samaria;  
the planters shall plant,  
    and shall enjoy the fruit.  
For there shall be a day when sentinels will call  
    in the hill country of Ephraim:  
“Come, let us go up to Zion,  
    to the LORD our God.”

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

## *Psalm:*

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

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*  
    his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
    "His mercy endures for ever."

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
    and he has become my salvation.

15 There 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!"

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.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD's doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

***Second Reading***

***Colossians 3:1-4***

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

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

*Please stand*



## Gospel Gradual:

### That Easter Day

Latin, 5th cent., ver. *Hymnal 1940*

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H #193

PUER NOBIS, 15th century

1. That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with  
2. His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his wound - ed hands and

fair feet - er he light, when, to scars their long - ing  
feet showed; those scars their their sol - emn

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw - their ris - en Lord.  
wit ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.

## Gospel Reading

**John 20:1-18**

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

*All:* **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.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

***The Rev. Karen Cuffie***

**Nicene Creed**

**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.  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
Who 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*

*Leader:* Jesus Christ is risen today, our triumphant holy day. Alleluia! So let us pray to our Lord, saying,  
Risen Christ,

*People:* **To you we give undying praise.**

*Leader:* Heavenly King, for us you endured the cross and the grave. When we were yet sinners, you redeemed and saved us. May we sing your eternal praises everywhere we go.

*Silence*

Risen Christ,

*People:* **To you we give undying praise.**

*Leader:* Incarnate Love, where hearts are wintry, grieving or in pain, call forth new life by your touch. Bring forth life in the barren places of your world.

*Silence*

Risen Christ,

*People:* **To you we give undying praise.**

*Leader:* Author of Life, you are the ruler of creation. All things created on earth sing to your glory. From the death of the winter, raise the fair beauty of earth.

*Silence*

Risen Christ,

**People:** **To you we give undying praise.**

*Leader:* Resurrected One, bring our neighbors from sadness into joy. Where they live in darkness, brighten their lives with a day of splendor and give to all that peace that passes human knowing.

*(please add your thanksgivings either silently or aloud.)*

*Silence*

Risen Christ,

**People:** **To you we give undying praise.**

*Leader:* Triumphant Lord, gladden the faces of all who are sad and fearful-hearted. May they rejoice in your victory over sin and pain—even as they share in your glorious triumph.

*(Please add your own petitions either silently or aloud.)*

*Silence*

Risen Christ,

**People:** **To you we give undying praise.**

*Leader:* Risen Christ, you have opened heaven's gate. You have freed us from the power of sin and death. Through your resurrection, you give us the promise of resurrection to a holier state. Bless the dying and the dead.

*Silence*

Risen Christ,

**People:** **To you we give undying praise.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People:** **Amen.**

## ***The Peace***

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

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

*Exchange peace.*

## *Birthday and Anniversary Blessings*

**Birthday Blessing:** Watch over your birthday *children*, O Lord; as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anniversary Blessing:** O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Offertory:** *Thine is the Glory*, GF Handel, Arr. Bill Ingram

*Bells*

### Doxology (Old 100th)

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

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

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:

### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord   *Sanctus*

S130

Setting from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

The musical score consists of three staves of music in 3/4 time, key signature of B-flat major (two flats). The top staff is for the soprano voice, the middle staff for the alto voice, and the bottom staff for the basso continuo. The lyrics are as follows:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho-

*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.

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 all 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. **Amen.**

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***

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

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

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **Communion Hymns:**

**Peace and Harmony**, by Kurt Meyer

*Bells*

### **Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks**

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ALLELUIA NO. 1  
Words and Music by  
Donald Fishel (b. 1950)



1. Je - sus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of cre - a - tion,
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Je - sus has died and has ri - - sen.
3. We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ. Now we shall live\_ for ev - - er.
4. Come, let us praise the liv - ing God, joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - - vior.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

*Please stand*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

## *Mission Song:*

# Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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EASTER HYMN  
Lyra Davidica, 1708

1. Je - sus Christ is risen to - day. Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing. Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
3. But the pains which he en- dured, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!

our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
praise his, all ye heaven-ly host, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing Al - - - le - lu - - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Al - - - le - lu - - ia!

## *The Dismissal*

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

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

***Assisting in today's service:***

Presider:	The Reverend Karen Cuffie
Music Director:	Ginny Scott
Bell Choir:	Karen Cuffie
	Andy Lief
	Jenni Murrill
	Trygve Thorsrud
	Sally Wurts
Piano:	Suzanne Zhu
Alto Sax:	James Blessing
Lay Eucharistic Minister:	Susan Zaballos