

EASTER DAY

The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

April 17, 2022

9:15 a.m.



An Order for Holy Eucharist
Trinity Church, Swarthmore

WELCOME! It is a joy to be able to gather for worship. We are so happy to worship God with you on this happy day!

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

This service follows An Order for Celebrating the Holy Eucharist, from the 1979 Episcopal Book of Common Prayer (BCP, p. 400).

For this service, we warm up our voices and spirits by practicing some of the music. Let's get ready to sing!

Liturgy of the Word

The Easter Proclamation (*People read the **words in bold.***)

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

We gather on this Resurrection Easter Sunday to celebrate the hope of the world.

May the Spirit of the living Christ grant us this hope.

As we gather, we remember how the first Easter began:

Early in the morning, on the first day of the week,

They gathered in the dark to go to the tomb. And they were saying among themselves,

"Who shall roll away the stone from the door of the tomb?"

And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back

and entering the tomb, an angel greeted them, saying,

"Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.

He is not here; for he has been raised!"

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Gathering Hymn

"God's Not Dead"

Nate and Natalee Hill

God's not dead; (No!) he is alive.

God's not dead; (No!) he is alive.

God's not dead; (No!) he is alive.

I know he's living in me.

I see him in my hands,

I see him in my feet,

I see him in the air,

I see him ev'rywhere.

I see him at the church,

I see him on the street,

and I know he's living in me.

No, no, no, no, no, no, no,

no, no, no, no, no, no, no.

God's not dead; (No!) he is alive.

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Collect for Easter

Jesus Christ our Savior, you have delivered us from death and sin. You have brought with the dawn a new beginning and an empty tomb; grant us strength and humility to enter into life. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then Peter began to speak to them: "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

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 118: 1-2, 14-24

from *God's Word, My Voice: A Lectionary for Children*

Thanks, God. You are so good. Your mercy never, ever ends.
Let all God's people say it aloud: God's mercy never, ever ends!
You are my strength and the song I sing, and now you've become my salvation.
Today our God has acted. Let everyone rejoice and be happy!

I hear people singing in their homes, and claiming victory. God has triumphed!
I will shout about the work God has accomplished today,
Sometimes I am punished, but I get back up and try again.
When God opens his doors to me, the doors to good things,
I will walk right through them. Thanks for inviting me in, God.
Today our God has acted. Let everyone rejoice and be happy!

The stone that the builders threw out because they didn't like it,
is now the cornerstone that the whole building is built upon.
It's all because of the amazing things that God has done for us.
Today our God has acted. Let everyone rejoice and be happy!

Song

"Up from the Grave He Arose"

Nate and Natalee Hill

**Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,
waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]**

**Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior;
vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]**

**Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior;
he tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]**

Refrain:
**Up from the grave he arose,
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
he arose a victor from the dark domain,
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!**

Proclamation of the Gospel

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

John 20:1-18

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.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

An Affirmation of Faith

(adapted from the Baptismal Covenant, *BCP* p. 304)

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example of the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

The Prayers of the People

After each prayer, the leader says, "God of grace," and the people respond, "We give you thanks."

Following the biddings, the Presider concludes

You are light, O God; you are life. We commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to your care, trusting in the one who is the firstborn of the dead, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The congregation greet one another in the name of Christ. Announcements and instructions for Holy Communion follow.

Offertory Hymn

"Christ is Alive"

Hymnal 1982 #182 (vv. 1,2,5)

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.**

**Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now,
and conquer every place and time.**

**Christ is alive! His Spirit burns
through this and every future age,
till all creation lives and learns
his joy, his justice, love and praise.**

Liturgy of the Table: Holy Communion

All who are drawn in the way of Jesus Christ are welcome to receive sacramental Communion in the community of Trinity Church. Instructions for receiving Communion follow after the Great Thanksgiving.

The Presider begins

Here is the table set for our special meal.

The bread, the wine, prepared and presented.

Ready to be served and shared.

We remember Jesus sharing a meal like this with his disciples, his friends.

He included everyone, those he could trust and those he could not trust.

Today we are his disciples, his friends.

Each one of us is welcome.

How amazing it is to be loved and wanted

even when we have not been perfect.

How wonderful it is to be included as we are.

Holy God, since the beginning your Spirit has upheld all that is, bringing forth life and giving growth; and in Jesus your Son, you gave the world a new way come into your presence.

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread and gave thanks. He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat, all of you. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, Jesus took the cup and giving thanks, gave it to all to drink, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Now bring us into communion with your Spirit, we pray, through this bread and wine. Give us grace to know what you have done for us through Jesus' death and rising to life again. Make our hearts overflow with joy. Make us ready to serve You in the world.

All this we ask through Jesus, who lived, and died, and lives again. To him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, we give thanks and praise. **Amen.**

Let us now join in the Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
Now and forever. Amen.**

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Presider offers God's gifts to God's people

On Receiving Holy Communion: *The Presider is instructed to receive the Sacrament in both kinds (in bread and wine). To receive, come up the central aisle, with physical distancing between families, and extend hands at full length, palms up. Those who wish may also receive the consecrated wine, in individual servings. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you would like instead a spoken blessing from the priest, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.*

Communion Hymn

"Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord"

Hymnal 1982 #178

Refrain:

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.**

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. [Refrain]**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth.
Jesus has died and has risen. [Refrain]**

**We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever. [Refrain]**

**God has proclaimed the just reward:
Life for all men, alleluia! [Refrain]**

**Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior. [Refrain]**

After Communion, all join in prayer

Presider Let us pray.

**Through this space and time together today,
we celebrate the covenant that ties us with God,
Jesus the Christ, our neighbors and creation.
Thank you, Divine Crafter of the Table,
for fashioning us a holy meal unites us
with the Body of Christ.
Send us into the world resurrected, refreshed,
and ready to share Christ's unconditional love. Amen.**

The Easter Blessing

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 forever. **Amen.**

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

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sustainer, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

"This is the Day that the Lord Has Made"

Nate and Natalee Hill

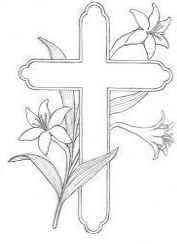
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.	This is the day, this is the day when he rose again, when he rose again; we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day when he rose again; we will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day when he rose again.
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**This is the day, this is the day
when the Spirit came, when the Spirit came;
we will rejoice, we will rejoice
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day when the Spirit came;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day when the Spirit came.**

The Priest or Deacon then dismisses the congregation, the people responding

People **Thanks be to God.**

~ The Easter Egg Hunt follows in the rear play yard! ~



Easter Memorials, 2022

Dave Stanton; Vera & Howard Stanton; Mary & Harry Huber; May Belle Ball
by AnnMarie Stanton

Elizabeth & Herbert Howard; Mary & Charles Todd; Thomas Howard; Barbara Petty; Anne Schroeder
by Linda Howard

Sam Gary, Brad Gary, Adrienne and Frannie Shero
by Eunice Gary

Dorothy, Charles and Joan Swartz
by Barbara Swartz

In memory of our parents, Charles & Miriam Baier; Walter & Hazel Adams; and Louise Belles
by Nancy & Walt Adams

David F. McCallister, III; Dorothea McCallister; David F. McCallister, IV and Charles Mazza
by Mike & Skip Werley

Arthur S. & Anna M. Englebach and Peter & Cynthia Macdonald
by Bella & Rich Englebach

With gratitude and love for our parents: Bill & Sally Kimura and Brad & Lynn Thompson
by Ted & Mary Thompson



On behalf of Trinity Church...

Fr. Ted gives thanks for the

Altar Guild

Flower Guild

Musicians (vocal and instrumental)

Readers

Vergers

Ushers

Office workers

Buildings and Grounds team

and

All Others

*...who have contributed time and talent toward our corporate devotions
in Holy Week and Easter celebrations, to the glory of God and our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.*

Assisting today:

Preacher and Presider

Music

Reader

Chalice bearers

Altar Guild

Father Ted

Natalee Hill, soprano; Nate Hill, guitar

Iffie Asuzu

Mary Thompson and Bob Toland

AnnMarie Stanton, Suzanne West, Gale Donoghue

Easter continues...

In the liturgical life of the Church, Easter is a season, not a day, extending through fifty days to the Day of Pentecost. Beyond this, every Sunday is a "mini-Easter".

Let the good news of Easter shape your life. Join us in this spiritual fellowship of Trinity Church, and we will be blessed by the journey with you. God bless and direct all our efforts and intentions this day and hereafter to the glory of God, through our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

~Fr. Ted

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