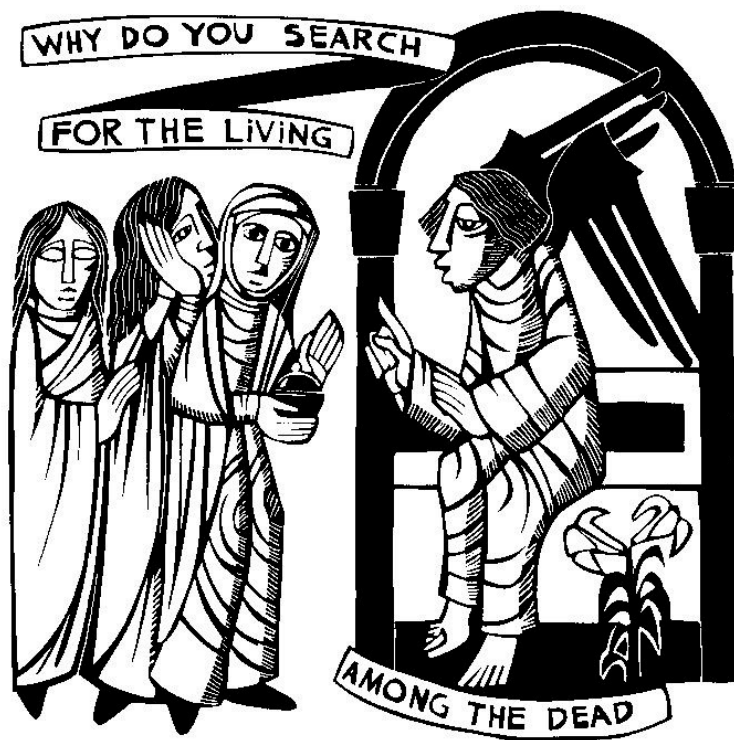




EASTER SUNDAY

WORSHIP BULLETIN | HOLY WEEK 2023

SAINT JAMES'
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Easter Lilies are given for the Glory of God and by...

*Meg and John Amouroux in memory of George Barger and
Rose & Bud Amouroux.*

*Tom and Gail Blalock in memory of their parents,
Walter & Frances Paulson and Ed & Martha Blalock.*

*Nancy Castaneda in thanksgiving for her daughter
Laura Castaneda, and in memory of
her mother, Dorothy Balderston, her uncle, Ron Orr,
her nephew, Timmy Kinnaird, and her brother-in-law,
Tim Kinnaird.*

Katie Cunningham in memory of Jim Cunningham.

*Robert and Lauren Doherty in memory of their mothers,
Mary Agnes Doherty and Beatrice Mettasick.*

*Margaret Broun in memory of Bob Bell, Marnie Hartmann,
Bill Dalgliesh & Joan Roberts.*

*Sylvia Ma in thanksgiving for Chris & Eileen
and in memory of Emily & Arnold Hsieh.*

Alice Johnson in memory of Melvin Johnson.

*Ralph and Lynn Locher in thanksgiving for family and friends
and in memory of their parents.*

Patty and Robert Lacy in memory of Regina Dennie.

Reena Davis in thanksgiving for the blessings of the last year.

*Sandy Sousa in thanksgiving for her blessings
and in memory of Kay Buckley.*

*Barbara Johnsen in memory of Phil Johnson &
Kathleen Reese.*



*Evelyn I. Martinez in memory of Juana Ortega &
Maria Vasquez.*

Griselda Prather in memory of Candido & Maria Martinez.

Jasmine Reynolds in thanksgiving for her mother.

Al and Mary Casas in thanksgiving for their family & friends.

*Karen Koonze in thanksgiving for Bob & Kitty Reed
and Phil Gonsalves.*

Charisma Pangilinan in thanksgiving for her mother.

Charlie and Vivienne Paratore in memory of David Ramsay.

Bruce Roberts in memory of Annabel Roberts.

Ruth Poole in memory of Bob Poole.

Bev Mosier in thanksgiving for Reverend Lori.

*Brian Cochran in thanksgiving for his parents & Evelyn
and in memory of his sister Kathy Cochran Searcy.*

John Kimber in memory of Joan Kimber.

Byron Bader in thanksgiving for his grandchildren.

Betts Stroh to the Glory of God.

*Jan Brandt in memory of Jean & Whitney Hodgkins and
Sally & Les Brandt.*

Erin Ohlson in memory of Kevin Sullivan & Marcia Nelson.

Kaethe and Stu Lang

Will Feliciano and Matt Hurley

Darcia and Gregg Feeney

WELCOME *to* SAINT JAMES'

We are a community that invites all people to join in worship. Our primary sacrament of initiation into the Church is the sacrament of Holy Baptism. If you wish to follow Christ, or if you wish to deepen your exploration of the sacred, you are encouraged to speak to a clergy person about baptism or about your own spiritual path and where it is leading you.

If you are visiting us, please introduce yourself at the door. We invite you to fill out a visitor's card and either place it in the offertory plate or hand it to an usher. You can also sign the visitor book as you exit the church.

Please join us in food and fellowship on the patio or in the parish hall after the service.

LITURGY *and* EASTER SUNDAY

The Episcopal way of worshipping has been in existence for centuries, and closely follows the ancient rites of the early church. Our primary texts are the Holy Bible (with the preferred translation being the New Revised Standard Version) and the 1979 Book of Common Prayer. If there are things about our worship that are new to you or do not make sense, be patient with the unfamiliarity. Consider that you are entering a conversation with God and the faithful which began centuries before we were here and will continue after we are gone. Just join in as you are, and bear with us as we are, and we will all be changed as we go.

Easter Sunday is a feast when we joyfully celebrate the glorious transformation of darkness to light, of death into life, through the victory won by Christ over death and sin in his crucifixion and resurrection. As Paul writes in his Letter to the Romans, "We have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). This feast reminds us of the new and renewed life we have in Jesus Christ—for we dwell in the hope of eternal life in the world to come, and live in this world in the fullness of love, hope, and justice. As we celebrate Easter, we find the ultimate meaning of our Christian faith in the message of the Resurrection—that all which has been cast down is now raised up, that all which is broken has been redeemed, and that all that has died will live again.

CHILDREN *and* WORSHIP

Children are welcome in church and we understand that sometimes that means wiggles and noises. As you enter church there are two family areas to the left side of the sanctuary where you will find crayons, pencils, activity sheets and bookshelves as a resource for engaging children. If you need a quiet place for infants and toddlers our nursery is available at the back of the sanctuary with space for feeding and changing.

Sunday School, for children aged 4 through 6th grade, meets during our 10:30am service. The children are met in church before the service and head over to the Sunday school room as the service starts. They rejoin their families in the Church part-way through the service so that they may celebrate Holy Communion with the whole community.

Our youth group meets at alternate times during the month. For more information on that or our Sunday School please contact our Children and Youth minister, Jan Scrutton (jan@saintj.com)



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Please stand as the bell is rung and the altar party enters the sanctuary.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE

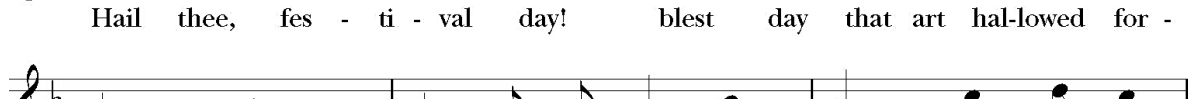
OPENING HYMN | HAIL THEE, FESTIVAL DAY

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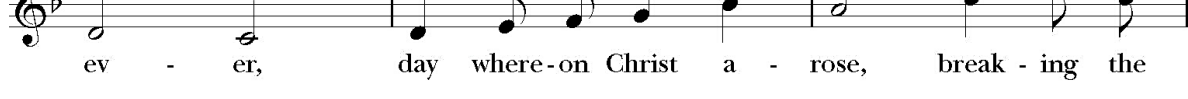


Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal-lowed for -



ev - er, day where-on Christ a - rose, break - ing the

First time only 2



king - dom of death. death.

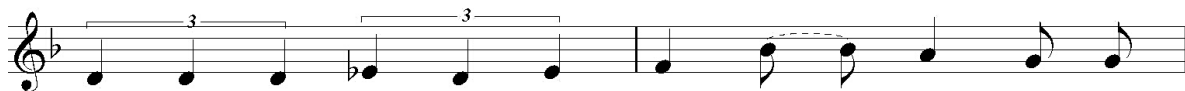
1 Lo, the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the
3 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the
5 God the cre - a - tor, the Lord, who — rul - est the
7 Spi - rit of life and of power, now — flow in us,



win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good
glo - ry of blos - som; hea - ven her
earth and the hea - vens, guard us from
fount of our be - ing, light that dost



gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:
gates un - bars, fling - ing her in - crease of light:
harm with - out, cleanse us from e - vil with - in:
light - en all, life that in all dost a - bid:



2 He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and the
4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art au - thor of
6 Je - sus the health of the world, en - light - en our
8 Praise to the Giv - er of good! Thou Love who art



ru - ler of na - ture; all things cre - a - ted on
life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of
minds, thou Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -
au - thor of con - cord, pour out thy balm on our



earth sing to the glo - ry of God:
death, life thou be - stow - est on all:
preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God:
souls, or - der our ways in thy peace:

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ is Risen!
People The Lord is Risen, indeed. Alleluia!

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

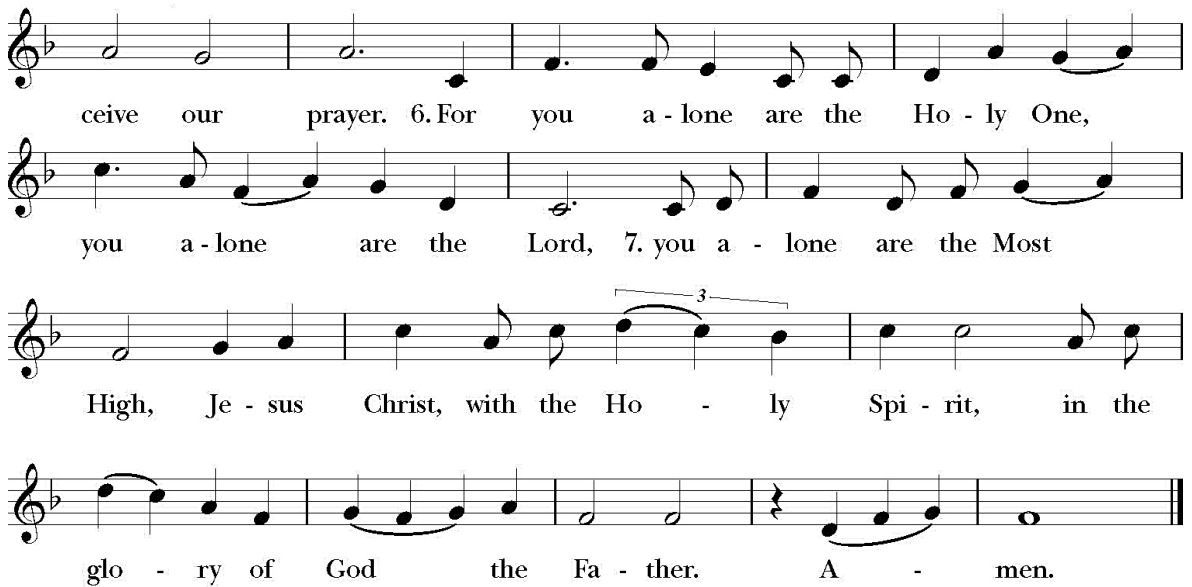
Amen.

GLORIA

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



Title: Canticale 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis* Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us a 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.*



FIRST READING

ISAIAH 65:17-25

Reader A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.
No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.
Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

desc.

On this day the Lord has act - ed; we will re - joice and be glad in it.

Choir

On this day the Lord has act - ed; we will re - joice and be glad in it.

1 Give thanks to the Lord, ... for [he] is good; *
his mercy en-[dures] forever.

2 Let Israel [now] proclaim, *
"His mercy en-[dures] forever."

14 The Lord is my [strength and] my song, *
and he has become [my] salvation.

15 There is a sound of exul-[tation] 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!"

Antiphon

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."

Antiphon

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 re-[joice and] be glad in it.

Antiphon



SECOND READING

ACTS 10:34-43

Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "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."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN

CELTIC ALLELUIA



READING OF THE GOSPEL

JOHN 20:1-18

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

People 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.

<i>Priest</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The congregation repeats the Gospel Hymn.

THE SERMON

THE 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.

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

Let us bring before God the needs of our world, asking God for renewal, saying:

"Lord, hear our prayer."

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the Gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

On this feast day, which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose troubles keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; for all our brothers and sisters, that death may have no more power over us. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdelene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May we be one in faith with all who have died in Christ, for our life is hid with Christ in God. For this, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect.

God of life, hear our prayers on behalf of those from whom we pray, and give us peace in this time of our paschal rejoicing, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen and exalted Lord. **Amen.**

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The "passing of the peace" allows us to gracefully greet one another by saying "the peace of Christ be with you," or simply "peace be with you." The typical response is "and also with you."



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"HALLELUJAH" FROM MESSIAH

G. F. HANDEL



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THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Son, and Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

All who seek a deeper relationship with Christ may receive communion.

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SURSUM CORDA | LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS

S120

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so 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 God thanks and praise.



"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

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:

SANCTUS | THREE-FOLD HOLY

S130

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.

Celebrant

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:

People & Celebrant **Christ has *died*, Christ is *risen*, Christ will *come again*;**

Celebrant

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:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

S149

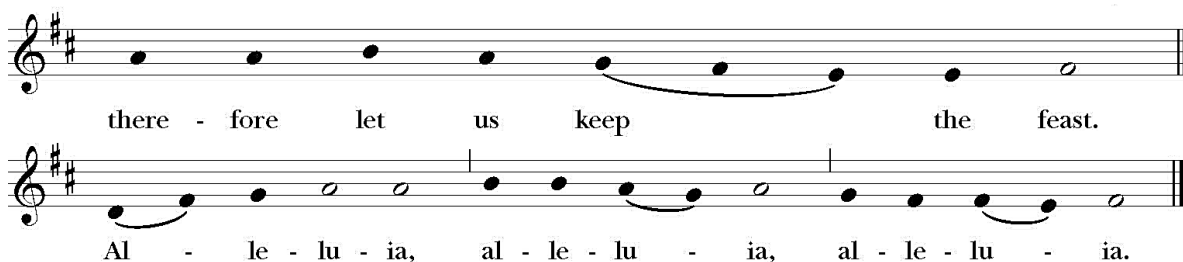
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in
 hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
 For - give us our sins as we for - give those who
 sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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FRACTION ANTHEM | CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

S154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



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GUIDE *for* COMING TO THE ALTAR

When invited by the usher, please come forward for communion. We are offering both bread and wine. However, the wine will be distributed by intinction only (dipping the bread into the wine).

If you prefer to have the wine along with the bread, the priest will take the communion host and dip it into the wine. It will then be handed to you for consumption. You can consume it right away, or bring it back to your pew to consume when the priest moves to the altar and invites you to eat the bread with the words, "The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven."

If you prefer to have the bread only, simply hold one hand up as a sign to the priest that you prefer to receive only the communion host.

Even if you do not wish to receive Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Instead of receiving the bread and wine, simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will give you a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMNS

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, GIVE THANKS TO THE RISEN LORD

H178



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

Praise to his Name. Name.
Praise to his Name. Name.

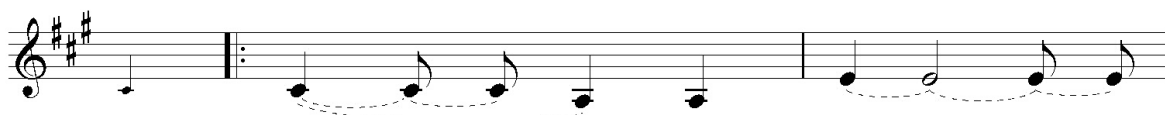
1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

H335



1 I am the bread of life; they who
 2 (The) Bread that I will give is my
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
 4 I am the life. They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son of God who has



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.

Descant

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

up, and I will raise them up on the

last day. _____ 5 Yes, day.

last day. _____ 2 The
3 Un- day.
4 —
5 Yes,
(z)

Final Ending

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People & Celebrant

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 the spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us the strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EASTER BLESSING

The people respond with enthusiastic "Amens."

Celebrant May Almighty God, who has redeemed us through the resurrection of Christ, fulfill your yearning for the riches of Love's 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 lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen!*

And the blessing of God almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen!*

Immediately after the service, the children will gather with the Children & Youth Minister, Jan, in the front near the altar to prepare for the Easter Egg Hunt.

CLOSING HYMN

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

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Descant



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 him, 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!

POSTLUDE

With gratitude for all who participated in today's service:

The Reverend Lori A. Walton | *Celebrant*

Jennifer Ravera | *Music Director*

Jan Scrutton | *Children & Youth Minister*

Special thanks to the St. James' Altar Guild for creating sacred space!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS Meg Amouroux & John Wagas

ACOLYTES Danika Brown, Ian Kalitta & Eva Maina

LECTORS Peter Maina & Bruce Roberts

USHERS Gregg Feeney & Sylvia Ma

GREETER Gregg Feeney

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