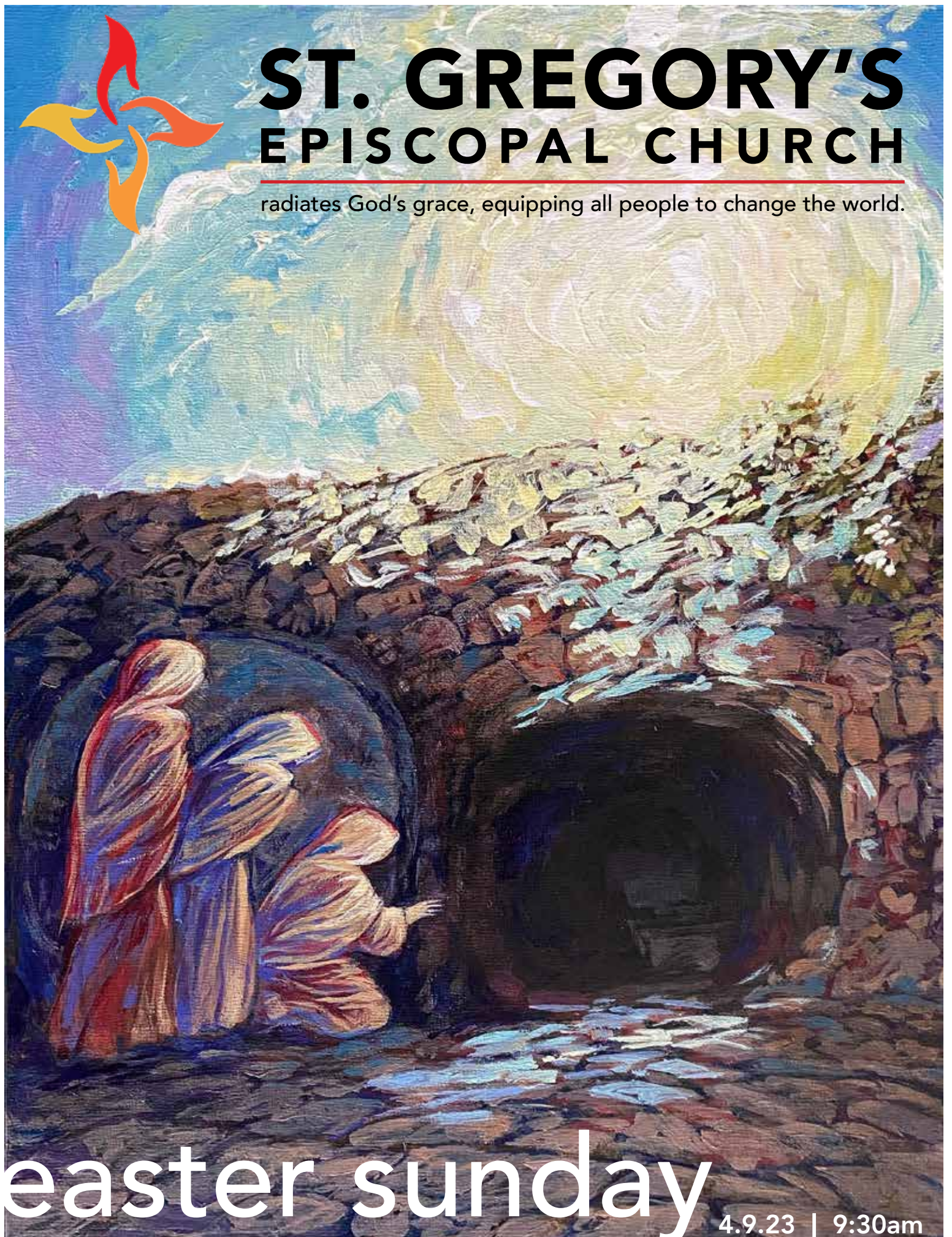




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radiates God's grace, equipping all people to change the world.



easter sunday

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Lin & Ralph Reichenbach from the Reichenbach family
Ernest & Irene Singleton and Eddie & Jessie Vlack from Cissy & Jeff Singleton
my husband Walter H. Blanck Jr., from Jeanette Blanck
our dear Chris from Debbie & Hiko Kinjo
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Roger Johnson, Iris & Doc Johnson, and Tom & Janie Wickersham from Sudi Johnson
Rev. Butler & Catherine Sharpe and Mr. Percy & Mrs. Dorthea Jenkins from Butler Sharpe
my husband Bill, my parents Ruth & Willard, and my brother Bill from Marilyn Knilans
Robert Shawl & Gregory Regalado from the Regalado family

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our children & grandchildren from Peter & Sally Holtz
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Welcome to St Gregory's

If you are visiting, we invite you to take a Welcome Card from the pew holder, and if you are willing, fill it out and put it in the offering plate or give it to a greeter so that we might thank you for worshipping with us. All are truly welcome to participate in worship, and we believe our community is made stronger by your unique presence as we join in prayer and communion.

Our Worship

In the Episcopal Church, we often say that praying shapes believing, so how we worship in word and action shapes how we believe and respond to God. We are physical creatures made in God's image, and the physical nature of our worship helps us to connect more fully to God. Therefore, at St. Gregory's, we change our liturgy during each liturgical season to help us more fully embrace the theology and tone of the season.

Our sacred time of worship includes several different activities: singing, listening, praying, and feasting. This liturgy is enriched by the participation of everyone in the room. **All are invited to speak the bolded text aloud.** Some people choose to manifest prayers in physical ways to center their hearts and minds on God's presence in their lives and in the worship – we call these actions "manual acts," which are listed as follows throughout the bulletin:

(v) Bowing one's head at Jesus' name reminds us that Jesus is the King of Kings, ruling from a place of humility.

(+) There are several points during the liturgy, where many people cross themselves by touching their head, chest, and each shoulder (left then right) to remind themselves that God is in their head, heart, and in all of their actions in the world.

(+++) At the declaration of the Gospel, many people make the sign of the cross with their thumb on their forehead, lips, and heart as the Gospel is announced. This action is a prayer asking God's word to be in our minds, our words, and in our hearts.

Generally speaking, we stand to pray, kneel to confess, and sit to hear. Regardless of what others are doing, how you physically worship is up to you and how you experience God. Your presence and participation is what matters most to God.

A Note about Easter Sunday

The Easter Season begins with the Great Vigil and extends through the Great Fifty Days, including the day of Pentecost. It is a season of great joy and celebration of the mystery of Christ's life, death, and resurrection. Many penitential elements common to our worship throughout the year are eliminated or subdued. We forego the collect for purity, confession and absolution – because the Lenten season and Holy Week have had plentiful opportunities for introspection, penitence, confession, and reconciliation. The season of abundance is symbolized by heightened elements of joy and praise, including singing as many elements as possible, elegant white hangings, abundant flowers, bells at high points of the liturgy, and abundant Alleluias!

Guest priest: Thomas S. Rogers III, MDiv, grew up in Oklahoma City and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas Christian University and a Master of Divinity degree from Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University. In his work as a pastoral educator, he draws upon liberation theology, Bowen family systems theory, Systems-Centered® Training and transformational learning. Rogers is certified as a Daring Way™ facilitator using Brené Brown's work.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

We begin our worship by observing a period of quiet (begun and ended with the ringing of a bell) to slow ourselves and rest in God's presence.

The people stand, as they are able.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hail the day that sees Him rise, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 There for Him high tri - umph waits; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Lord, be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - - le - lu - ia!

To His throne a - bove the skies! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - - le - lu - ia!

Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners giv'n, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 He hath con- quered death and sin; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 There thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - - le - lu - ia!

En - ters now the high - est heav'n! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Take the King of glo - ry in! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Find our heav'n of heav'ns in thee. Al - - le - lu - ia!

All are invited to get out their noisemakers or keys - anything to make a joyful noise together as we proclaim the risen Christ with an exuberant cacophony!

PROCLAMATION OF EASTER

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

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The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

We proclaim Christ's resurrection with joy and enthusiasm three times, increasing in volume each time!



SONG OF PRAISE

The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth tell it out a - broad;
 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,
 the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;
 From death to life e - ter - - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free;
 let all things seen and un - - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,
 our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end!

During the Easter season, the collects remind us of the joy of resurrection, and our continual salvation through God's amazing love.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ (**v**) 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, (**v**) who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are lessons being heard in congregations from many denominations throughout the world on this day. The first reading is from the Hebrew Scriptures, which tell us the story of God's love and faithfulness to God's people from the beginning of time to just before Christ.

FIRST READING

ACTS 10:34-43

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."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



The Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.

PSALM 118:1-2,14-24

- 1 Give thanks to God, for God is good; their mercy endures for ever.
- 2 **Let Israel now proclaim, "God's mercy endures for ever."**
- 14 God is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.
- 15 **There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:**
- 16 "The right hand of God has triumphed! the right hand of God is exalted! the right hand of God has triumphed!"
- 17 **I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of God.**
- 18 God has punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.
- 19 **Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to God.**
- 20 "This is the gate of God; they who are 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 God's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**
- 24 On this day God has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

THE EPISTLE

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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The people stand, as they are able. Children are invited to join the procession in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.

The Second Lesson is usually a reading from one of the New Testament Epistles (or letters), though occasionally from the Acts of the Apostles or the Book of Revelation. They teach us about the formation of the church and instruct us on how to live into our role as followers of Christ.



SEQUENCE vs.1 before gospel, vs. 2 after

He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with joy - ful voice:
 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri - um-phant day;
 he has burst his three days' pris - on; let the whole wide earth re - joice;
 not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray,
 death is con-querred, we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
 break - ing o'er the pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.

During the Holy Eucharist, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions. The deacon or priest proclaims the Gospel in the midst of the people to represent the Good News that Jesus has come among us, and we all turn toward it.

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 20:1-18

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

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 people sit.



The sermon is meant to help us make the Word of God a living and transforming reality of our lives today.

In the Nicene Creed, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by affirming the historic faith of the Church. We "believe" (from the Latin credere, literally "to put one's heart into") because we offer our trust in the story of God's creating, redeeming, and remaining with the world. "We" believe because the church as a whole, the Body of Christ, carries and strengthens the faith of each individual.

The Prayers of the People are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our diocese, and those connected to our congregation. This is the part of the liturgy where it is most evident that we would be noticeably less without the contributions of each person present. We voice prayers from our parish prayer list, as well as requests from the onsite and online worshippers.

SERMON

The Rev. Thomas S. Rogers, III, guest priest

A period of quiet (begun and ended with the ringing of a bell) is observed to slow ourselves and rest in God's presence.

The people stand, as they are able.

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, (v) 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

Jesus Christ (v) is risen today, our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! So let us pray to our Lord, saying, "To you we offer praise eternal; Alleluia! Alleluia!"

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.

To you we offer praise eternal;
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 this world.

To you we offer praise eternal;
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Author of life, you are the ruler of creation. All things created on earth sing to your glory. For the death of the winter, raise the fair beauty of the earth. (prayers of thanksgiving)

To you we offer praise eternal;
Alleluia! Alleluia!



Loving Savior, you hold the future. You bless and restore our families, our communities, our world with babies and children. Though they face uncertain days, we trust them to the certainty of your endless and eternal love.

To you we offer praise eternal;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus, the health of the world, pour out your balm on our souls and the souls of all in pain or sorrow. Be the source of life for all people. (prayers for sick, sorrowful, lonely, or afraid)

To you we offer praise eternal;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Purify us, O Lord, from all evil that we may rightly see you in the eternal light of your resurrection. By your victory, bring us from death to life eternal. (prayers for the dead)

To you we offer praise eternal;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The congregation greets each other in the peace of Christ.

The people sit.

PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRAVELS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The Earth is Risen”

Lyrics based on a poem by Samuel Longfellow

Music by Gwyneth Walker

Now the earth is ris'en again from the Winter's bond and pain.
Bring we leaf and flow'r and spray to adorn this Easter, this holy day!
The earth is risen...

Once again the word comes true (the word is spoken true),
All the earth is born anew (the earth is born anew),
Now the coldest days are o'er, and light and gladness as before.
The earth is risen, the word comes true, all the earth is born anew.
How our hearts leap with the Spring! How our voices soar and sing!
Life has triumphed over death,
And beauty rises, and beauty sings on ev'ry breath. Sing, my soul!
Change, then, mourning into praise.

With loudest voices anthems raise.
All our fears and griefs shall be lost in immortality.
How our hearts leap with the Spring! How our voices soar and sing!
For now, beyond the depths of pain,
All the earth is risen, Christ our Lord is risen again!

The Peace has been exchanged at the Eucharist since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.

The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to the Lord as our initial act of thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are.



The Eucharist, or Communion, is the act of offering, breaking bread, and sharing in Christ's life, death, and resurrection. It also reminds us that we are Christ's body in our world today.

As Episcopalians, the Eucharist is the principal act of worship, in which we always have a full proclamation of the heart of the Gospel. Celebrating Eucharist is something we do together, so we all take part in the prayers.

The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The people stand, as they are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN

All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to thee, who dead, a - gain dost live;
to God the Fa - ther e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

It is truly right to glorify you, God, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

You loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son **(v)** to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, God sent the Holy Spirit, the first gift for those who believe, to complete God's work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, Holy God, having loved his own who were in the world, Jesus loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 Jesus 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."

We now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

We pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, **(+)** and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. **(v)**

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Gregory all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **(v)**

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer that is in all capital letters. It emphasizes that we all join together in asking Jesus to be present in the bread and wine, in boldly affirming our desire to receive God. It is appropriate to say this with enthusiasm!



The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist.

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

**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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

Christ our pass-over is sacrificed for us,
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Amen.

The people sit.

INVITATION

All are welcome at the Lord's table. Baptized Christians, regardless of denomination or age, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free bread is available; please ask the clergy. Receiving the bread only is full communion in the body of Christ, so if you choose to not receive the wine, you may cross your arms over your chest as you pass the Eucharistic Minister, or take a cup of consecrated juice.

To receive communion, hold out your hands and you will be given the bread. Then take a cup of wine or juice from the Eucharistic Minister, move to the next tray, consume the bread and wine there, put the empty cup in the tray, and replace your mask before returning to your seat.

Anyone who has not been baptized, or for other reasons desires to receive a blessing instead of Communion is invited to come forward, and cross your arms over your chest to indicate your desire for a blessing. If you seek a deeper relationship with Christ through baptism, please speak with a priest after the service.

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

"Since You are Risen from the Dead"
Music by David von Kampen
Lyrics by Jaroslav J. Vajda

*Since You are risen from the dead, the grave shall not confine me,
The path you opened I shall tread, no chains of fear to bind me;
For where You are I shall arrive to stand with You alive, and all the way rejoicing!*

"Easter Alleluias"
by John A. Behnke

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
He is arisen from the grave - alleluia!
Where have they taken my Jesus, where have they taken my Lord?
He is arisen from the grave - alleluia!
Death is swallowed up in death, see the tomb is empty now - alleluia!*



"Christ the Lord is Risen Again"

Text by Michael Weisse

Music by Philip Stopford

*Christ the Lord is risen again, Christ hath broken every chain.
Hark, angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high, Alleluia!
He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb today; we too sing for joy and say, Alleluia!
He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross,
Lives in glory now on high, pleads for us and hears our cry.
He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save;
Now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia!
Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, thy ransomed people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away: let us sing by night and day, Alleluia!*

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those worshipping remotely)

In union, gracious God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, O Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, (v) and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (when appropriate)

We send you out to share Communion this week.
May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.
May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. (v) **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.
**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; (v)
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Child,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. (v)
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion articulates a hunger for unity with Jesus Christ when you cannot physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ. This prayer connects the one(s) praying with the reception of Holy Communion. Those worshipping online are invited to say this prayer as those onsite receive Communion.

After Communion, we give thanks for being part of the communion of God's life and for being fed so that we may go out to feed and serve others in our world.



One of the roles of the priest is to declare the eternal truth of God's ever-present blessing to God's people.

BLESSING

The people stand, as they are able.

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us God's children through the resurrection of Jesus, (v) bestow upon you the riches of God'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 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.

EXIT HYMN

Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 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!
 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!
 Praise him, all ye heaven-ly host, Al - - le - lu - ia!

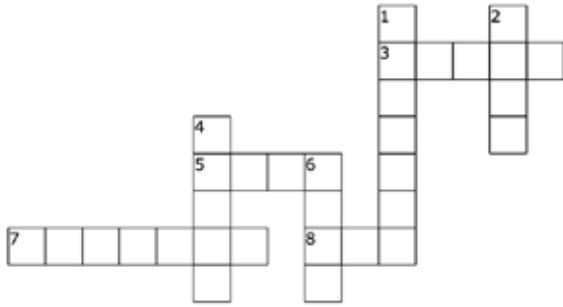
Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost Al - - le - lu - ia!

Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all he had commanded. And so we are sent out into the world to proclaim the Good News and be Christ's hands and feet on earth.

The Deacon dismisses the people, and the people respond,

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Children should meet Shelley at the front door immediately following the service to receive their cascarones (which we'll enjoy in the Garden!).



ACROSS

- 3. "He is not here, he has _____."
- 5. A place where someone, especially an important person, is buried
- 7. The first or early part of a day
- 8. A period of twenty-four hours

DOWN

- 1. To kill someone by tying or nailing them to a cross
- 2. A period of seven days
- 4. A hard solid substance found in the ground which is often used for building
- 6. The whole physical structure that forms a person

B H M W E E K A J E S U S E S
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MORNING DAY	BODY CRUCIFY	RISEN TOMB	STONE WEEK	TOMB SHOOK EARTHQUAKE	ANGEL WEEK ROLLED	RISEN FIRST JESUS	RISEN DAWN AFRAID	STONE HEAVEN DAY
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NEXT SUNDAY - coffee hour returns!

Our first onsite coffee hour post-pandemic will take place immediately following the service next Sunday in Founders Hall. Plan to stick around for fellowship, food, and coffee! We'll also have a sign-up ready for anyone who would like to host future coffee hours.

ALSO next Sunday - care packages!

We will be sending care packages to our college students in time for finals again this spring. If you would like to contribute you can give money to Shelley or go to our website, click the donate button, and specify it is for College Care Packages. Please donate ASAP. Shelley will purchase items, and we can all pack them during our first coffee hour on April 16th. If you'd like to write a personal note to the students, here are their names: Kaden Soonthornsima, CJ Ariano, Joe Ariano, Grace Gayhart, Grace Baddeley, Leah Hamilton, Christina Jolly, Caroline Bielski, Jacob Fjeldheim, Celeste Rodrigues, Chloe Polzin, and Emily Zint. Please contact Shelley with questions!

Wednesday Evening Adult Formation begins again Wed, Apr 19

Author Christena Cleveland's crisis of faith sent her on an intellectual and spiritual journey through history and across France, on a 400-mile walking pilgrimage to the ancient shrines of Black Madonnas to find healing in the Sacred Black Feminine. "God Is a Black Woman" is the chronicle of her liberating transformation and a critique of a society shaped by white patriarchal Christianity and culture. Join the Rev. Kristin Saylor, rector of St. Lawrence, Libertyville on Zoom on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm to discuss Cleveland's book. Dates of study are Apr 19, 26, May 5, and 10.

Better Together - Migrant Ministry

Thank you to all who participated in the Migrant Ministry raffle! But though it's now over, we continue to support this lovely family of nine from Venezuela as they move forward with their asylum claims. Donated funds continue to be more than welcome, but you can also help by driving to and from appointments, helping with paperwork, and translating. If you want more details, please contact Maria Fiocchi (Mfiocchi@hotmail.com).

BSA TROOP 50 46th Annual Spaghetti Dinner at Wilmot School

St. Gregory's sponsored Troop 50 is hosting its annual fundraiser on Saturday, April 22 from 6-8 pm. All-you-can-eat catered spaghetti dinner tickets are \$12/adult, \$10/child. There will be a silent auction and other great prizes! Please contact Catherine at ceshawl@yahoo.com or 847-869-2623 if you would like to buy tickets to support the troop!

Community Meals - April 23rd

St. Gregory's has the opportunity to serve our neighbors in Waukegan on Sunday, April 23rd. We have 3 cookies bakers but are in need of people to help assemble meals in Waukegan. We meet at 12 noon and are done by 2:30 pm. It is not a difficult job and we would be happy to teach you. Please contact Barb Schaper at bschaper7@aol.com or 847-948-8989 to for more information.

