Easter Sunday

Liturgy of the Eucharist / Book of Common Prayer



Rejoice!

Sunday, April 4, 2021 | St. Francis' Episcopal Church

Easter Flowers sponsored by

Donna Bernert, in Memory of Joe Thum and Louise and Joe Bernert

Linda Carter, in Thanksgiving of doctors, nurses and first responders

Sally Hader

Chris and Mary Ann Kinder, in Memory of our parents Floyd and Virginia Kinder and James and Emma Hogan Chris and Mary Ann Kinder, in Thanksgiving of our grandchildren and great grandchildren

Richard Mayfield, in Memory of Mayfield Family

Kathleen McDonald, in Memory of John and Margaret McDonald

Tracey and Chris Oswald, in Memory of Velma, Veva, Fred, Oleta, Ernest, Dorothy, Gerald, Carmen and Jean Tracey and Chris Oswald, in Thanksgiving of Amber, William, Rowan and Hawthorne

Barb Sacco, in Memory of Nick Sacco

Jerry and Bob Smith, in thanksgiving of friends and family - hugs, kisses and gatherings to come

Marsha Smith, in Memory of Jeanette Kelts

Rachel Smith

Della Thompson, in Memory of Myron Thompson / Rose Bonicelli

Special thank you to Doris and Bob Schaefer for decorating the cross with flowers for today

Welcome

Welcome to St. Francis'! Whether this is your first time at St. Francis', you attend sporadically, or you have been here since our founding in the 1990's, we rejoice that you are with us today!

You may be surprised to know that you won't find the word "Easter" in the Bible, yet our yearly celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus is profoundly biblically centered. Jesus teaches that he will make all things new and call all people to him. Through his life of loving and listening to God, his suffering, death, and resurrection, all creation has access to new light and life. A new relationship with God is possible over and over again. This is what we celebrate, for we are new people with a new relationship to God through Jesus Christ.

No matter where you are in your journey of faith, St. Francis' has a place for you! If you would like more information about St. Francis' or the Episcopal Church, please fill out a "Get to Know You" form in the bulletin or let an usher or greeter know. You can always find this form and everything you need to know about St. Francis' on our website www.stfranciseureka.com.

In the hope of the Risen Christ,

The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti Vicar

Prelude

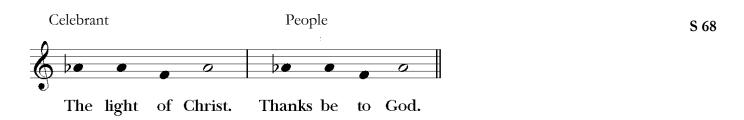
The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

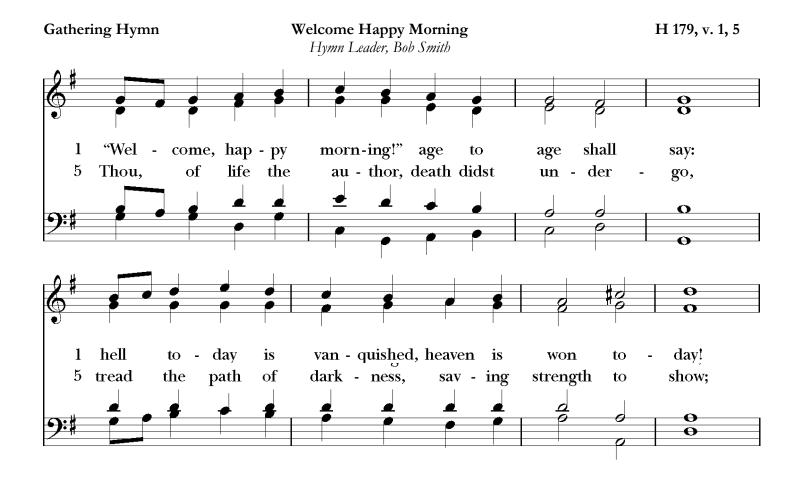
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The deacon lights the Paschal (Easter) candle as the Celebrant sings:







Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); tr. John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt. Music: Fortunatus, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Word of God

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:

Cleanse the thoughts of our by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Glory to God Gloria S 280 Hymn Leaders, Sally Boyd and Leah Milton 1. Glo - ry to God in the high peace earth. 2. Lord God, his peo-ple on heaven - ly to Fa al - might - y God and King, ther, we wor - ship you, give you thanks, we praise you glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus for your on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you Christ, the world: have take the of sin a - way mer cy seat - ed at the right hand of 5. you are the Fa - ther: re onprayer. 6. For a - lone are the Ho - ly One, ceive our you

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The Collect

Celebrant: Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his

glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son

our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

First Lesson

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

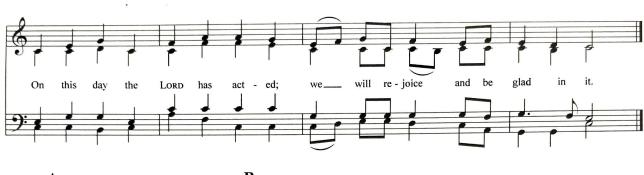
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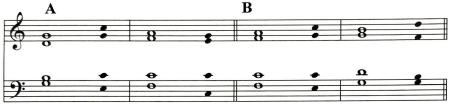
Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That 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.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm Leader, Tracey Oswald





- 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." (a)
- A 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.
- A 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:
- B 16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hands of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed! (a)
 - 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. (a)
- A 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
- A 20 "This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter."
- B 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation. (a)
 - 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. (a)

Reader: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

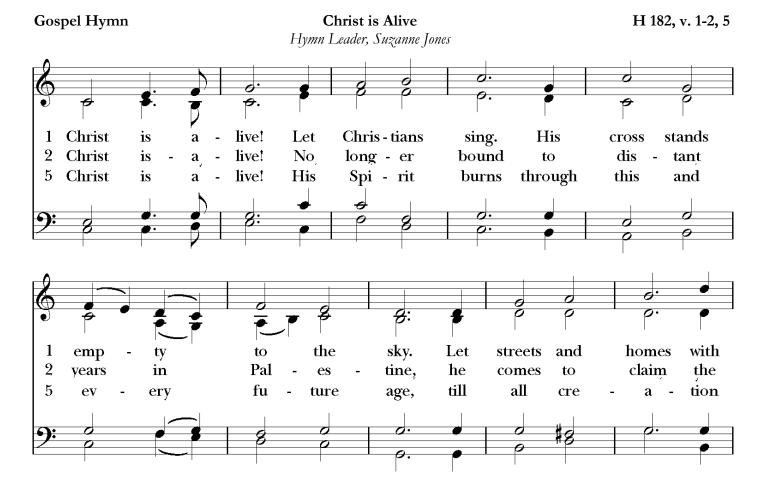
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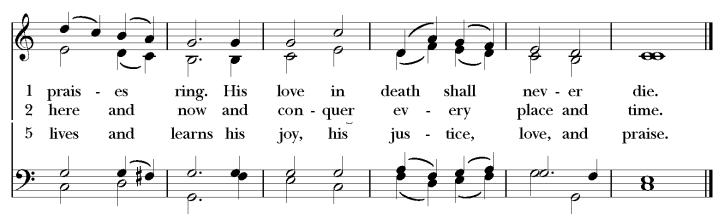
I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.





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The Gospel

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

20:1-18

People: Glory to you, O 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.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti

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: the power of the Holy Spirit

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made human.

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

Deacon: Christ has burst through the tomb of death, victorious over its power, revealing the triumph of

light over every darkness. In thanksgiving, we offer our prayers, responding, "Hear us, O risen

Christ."

Intercessor: In thanksgiving for the resurrection of Jesus, who empties our spiritual tombs and reveals the way

to abundant life; let us pray.

People: Hear us, O risen Christ.

Intercessor: For the leaders of the nations, that they may guide the world to a greater fulfillment of its quest for

freedom, justice, and peace; let us pray.

People: Hear us, O risen Christ.

Intercessor: For the innocent in troubled places and wherever strife stifles harmony, that the actions of the

global community may free all who are suffering or imprisoned unjustly. Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit—we pray especially for our parishioners Noel, Roger, Paul, Mary, Max, Sue, and Kathleen M.; and for those who have asked for our prayers, particularly Carly, Mary Jo, Molly, Penny, Sally, Tessie, Melanie, Debbie, Robin, Pat, Elizabeth B., Elizabeth T., Joan, Tucker, Christine, Linda Rose, Mary, Joanna, Brittney, and Dominic, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We also remember those whose lives have been changed in the aftermath of unwarranted gun violence over the past several weeks

particularly in Georgia, Colorado, and California; let us pray.

People: Hear us, O risen Christ.

Intercessor: For the Church, and for each of us, that we may embrace the mystery of Easter, and give witness

to the living Christ in our midst; let us pray.

People: Hear us, O risen Christ.

Intercessor: In thanksgiving for those who have gone before us,, and those who have left us an inheritance of

God's blessings, and who now join in the chorus of angels and the saints in paradise, especially parishioner Ann Doerr, police officer Eric Talley and all whose lives were cut short in the mass

shootings in Georgia, Colorado, and California, and Chris Danner; let us pray.

People: Hear us, O risen Christ.

Intercessor: In thanksgiving for all who have gathered here today to share in this Easter celebration, that we

may each be changed by the message of new life, and the Food of eternal hope, growing richly and

fully into the forgiving compassion of Jesus; let us pray.

People: Hear us, O risen Christ.

Celebrant: Christ, Morning Star, shine in us and through us as we continue our prayer. Amen.

Please see our parish Prayer Lists, which can be found on page 20 of this bulletin, for additional biddings and concerns. If you would like to make a prayer request, please complete our Prayer Request Form which can be accessed on our website.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

We invite you to take a moment and extend the peace of God to the members of your household and then to people in the world that you love and struggle to love.

Announcements

Birthday Blessing

Celebrant: Watch over your 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.

People: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given to us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.

Offertory Anthem

Alleluia! Christ has Triumphed!

Claire C. Toy

This anthem is a cause for joy! It is our first choir anthem in 14 months. Thank you to choir members who were courageous in utilizing technology new to them, handbell ringers, and Wired Worship, and especially to Cheryl Foster for making it happen.

The following is sung as ushers present the offerings.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above you heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

H 380

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.

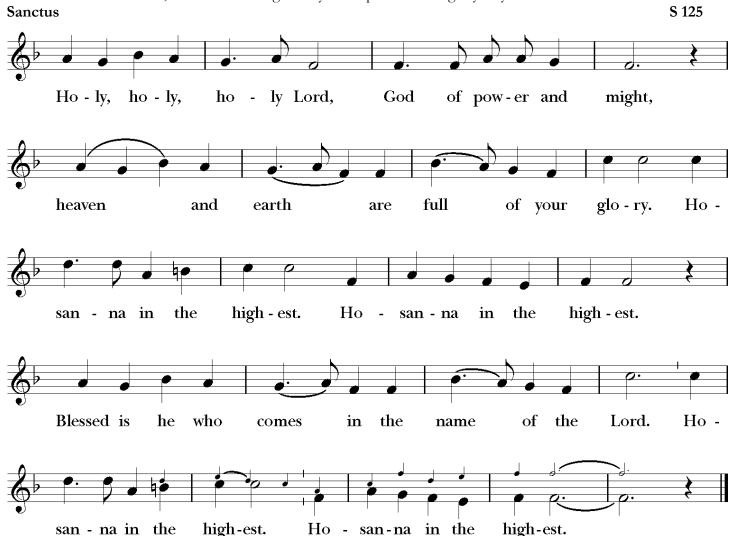
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Child 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:



Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. You have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command,

Celebrant and People:

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to Christ's sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.



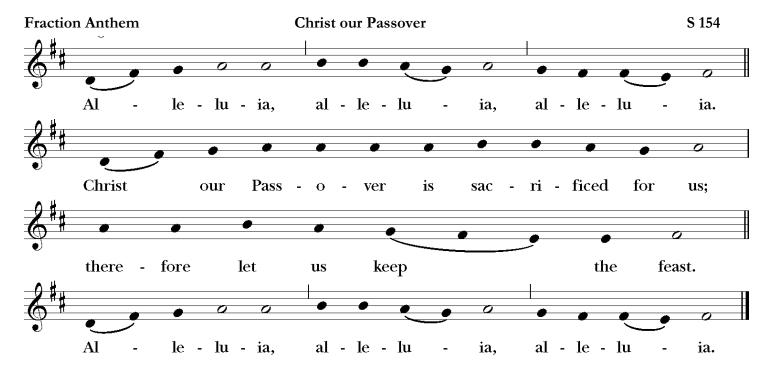
Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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.

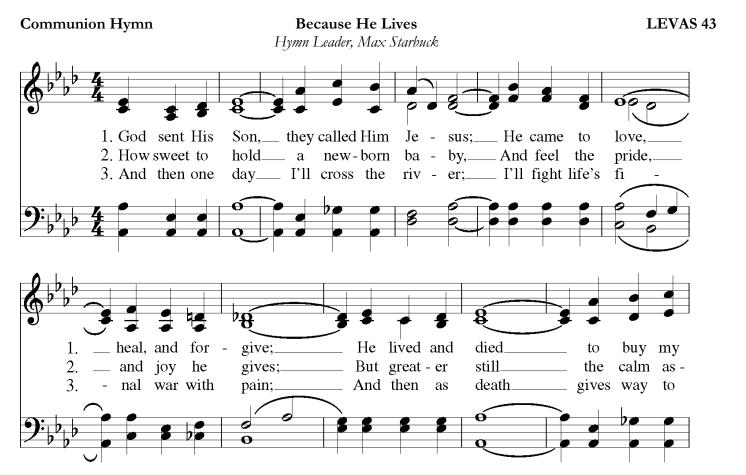
The Breaking of the Bread

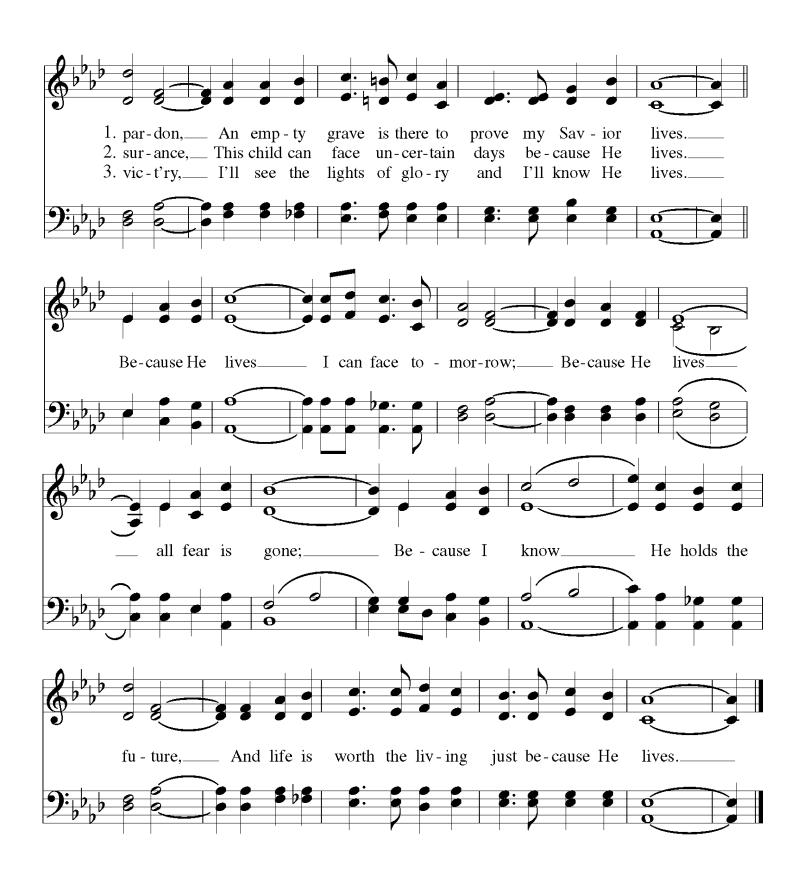
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. However because of Covid, we cannot all receive from the same cup at the same time, but our cup remains common to us all as a different parishioner receives the cup at each service on behalf of the entire community. If you prefer not to receive Communion, please just cross your hands over your heart when the clergy come to your car.

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





Hymn Leader, Bob Smith



Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

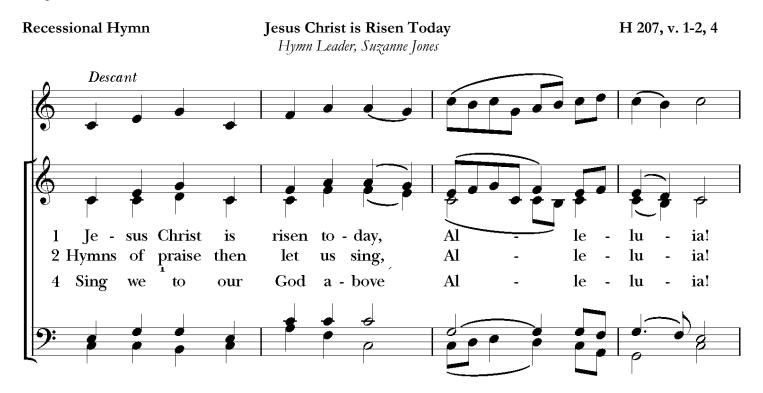
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Easter Blessing

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us God's children through the resurrection of

his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing.

People: Amen.





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Dismissal

Deacon: As we go out this day, go and serve the Lord in the joy that abides in this day of resurrection

forever! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: We will share the joy of this day! Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer Lists

Our homebound parishioner: Noel

Our parishioners: Roger, Paul, Mary, Max, Sue, and Kathleen M.

For those who have asked for prayers: For Carly, Mary Jo, Molly, Penny, Sally, Tessie, Melanie, Debbie, Robin, Pat, Elizabeth B., Elizabeth T., Joan, Tucker, Christine, Linda Rose, Mary, Joanna, Brittney, and Dominic; first responders, healthcare professionals, and educators who continue to work during this pandemic; the manufacturing and equitable distribution of Covid-19 vaccines

For those who have died and those who mourn: For parishioner Ann Doerr, Officer Eric Talley and all the victims of the mass shooting in Georgia, Colorado, and California, and Chris Danner; for the law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and their families; and for all in St. Louis who have suffered directly from gun violence this year and those whose lives were lost and their families

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For the people and ministry of Trinity Episcopal Church, Kirksville; and the Campus Ministry at Truman State University, and Amy, their priest

For those committed to our ongoing prayers: Deaconess Anne House interns and those discerning a call to ordained ministry; the ministry of the chaplains, staff, volunteers at Episcopal City Mission, and the youth in detention and their families; patients, families, & communities affected by substance use disorders and those suffering from untreated & undertreated pain and chronic diseases; those who serve in our military; all whose lives have been impacted by Covid-19

Today's Ministers of Worship

CelebrantThe Rev. Laurie AnzilottiDeaconThe Ven. Rebecca Barger

Music Director Cheryl Foster

Altar Guild Jerry Smith, Jeff Veenstra and Sue Schmidt

Greeter Linda Doolittle

Ushers Joe Bernert and Rich Mayfield

Lectors Kathleen O'Reilly and Kathleen McDonald

Intercessor Michael Booker

LivestreamPaul Jokerst and Jackie SelleTellersJoe Bernert and Joe O'Reilly

Special thanks to our Altar Guild for all their efforts to make our altar canopy beautiful for Easter.

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Please join us for a



CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY AND WELCOMING OF A NEW VICAR

The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti

left: Rev. Anzilotti offering the Eucharist in St. Francis' sanctuary for the first time, on Ash Wednesday, February 19, 2021.

Sunday, April 11 at 10:15am Drive-in Eucharist

The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson,
Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri,
preaching

Sunday Forum Series

WHO IS OUR NEIGHBOR?

What does it mean to be a neighbor or to accept someone else as one's neighbor? What does Jesus have to say about it? Join us during our Sunday Forum, each week 9:30am-10:15am, from Sunday, April 11th through Sunday, May 30th, as we explore these questions and more, featuring speakers:

- April 11: The Rt. Rev. Dean K. Johnson, Bishop of Episcopal Diocese of Missouri
 This session will be held immediately after worship instead of before, and on YouTube instead of Zoom.
- April 18: Jim Bowlin, Mayor of Wildwood and St. Francis' parishioner
- April 25: Audrey Bell, Director, Eureka Food Pantry
- May 2: Steve Myers, Mayor of Pacific
- May 9: Dr. Michael Booker, St. Francis' parishioner and Sunday Forum Leader, "Prayers of the People: Praying for our Neighbor"
- May 16: Educators from Pacific and Rockwood School Districts
- May 23: Dr. Michael Booker, St. Francis' parishioner and Sunday Forum Leader, "Definitions"
- May 30: The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti, Vicar of St. Francis'

You can attend in person or on Zoom. Meeting ID: 845 6585 8640; Passcode: neighbor

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SINGING

We encourage you to sing along. Mask free is safe while you're in your car; if you exit your car or roll down your windows, please leave your mask on.

RECEIVING EUCHARIST

Everyone is invited to receive. Clergy members will come to the driver's window wearing a mask and hand the driver wafers for everyone in your car. Each wafer is individually wrapped in a sanitized plastic bag.

We will only be receiving in one kind. The bishop's guidelines do not permit the distribution of wine or juice at this time. Our cup remains a common cup by our inviting one parishioner to drink from it at each service.

If no one in the car would like to receive, simply cross your arms over your chest with your car window up.

MASKS

All attendees 2 years and older must wear masks any time you open car windows or step out of your car.

DISTANCE

Please stay within your car's parking spot, whether you remain in the car or sit outside of it. Greet one another with waves for now until we can safely offer hugs and handshakes.

CONTRIBUTIONS

We welcome donations to support the work of St. Francis', whether a payment on a pledge or simply an offering. Ushers have baskets to collect offerings.

