

Sunday, April 20, 2025, 10:30am

Easter Sunday

with Baptism



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. 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

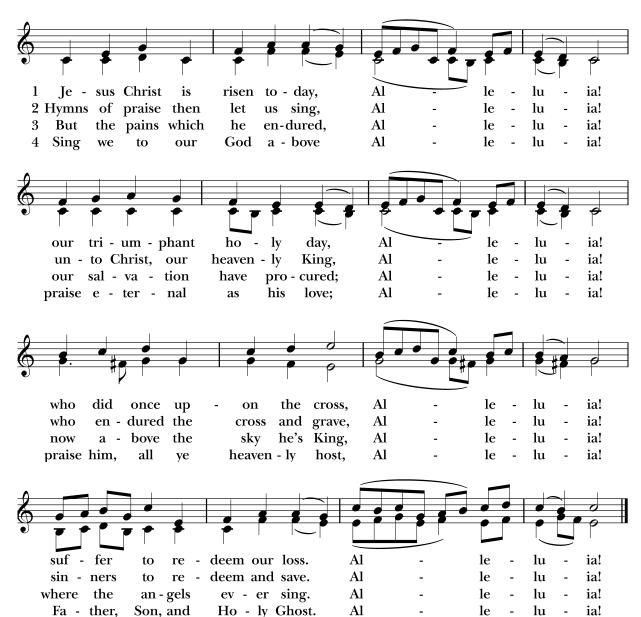
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We love pictures and videos, and we love sharing what we do on social media. When attending our events or services, you agree to our using pictures of you and any children in your charge on social media and elsewhere. If you prefer not to be included in photos or video, please inform a staff member or usher.

GATHERING HYMN Stand JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

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American Sign Language by Sophie Schaeffer



OPENING ACCLAMATIONS

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

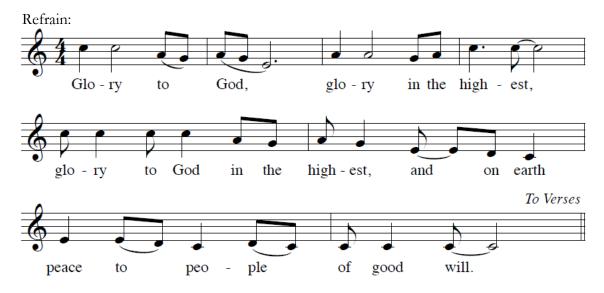
Presider There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

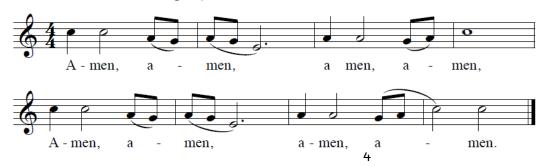
Presider One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

GLORIA



- We praise you,
 we bless you, we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father. REFRAIN
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
 you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us. **REFRAIN**
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **TO AMEN**



THE COLLECT

from Women's Uncommon Prayers

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider O Risen Christ, your agony on the cross was the birth pangs of a new creation: Give us the

courage of the women who first discovered your empty tomb, that we may marvel with them at the wonder and glory of your resurrection and proclaim that glory to others; in

the name of the Source, the Word, and the Spirit.

People Amen.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the book of Isaiah.

25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,

of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain

the shroud that is cast over all peoples,

the sheet that is spread over all nations;

he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,

and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

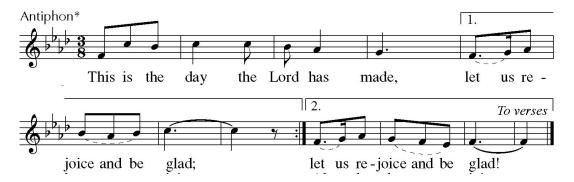
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY

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- 1. Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's mercy endures for ever. Let the house of Israel say: "God's mercy endures for ever."
- 2. The hand of the Lord has struck with power, God's right hand is exalted. I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord.
- 3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. The Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes!

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader

A reading from the book of 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.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON Stand

CHRIST HAS ARISEN

Stand and sing verses 1 and 2.



THE GOSPEL

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

24:1-12

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON

CHRIST HAS ARISEN

Sing verses 3 and 4 from the previous page.

SERMON Sit

THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI

HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Presider The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors We present Matthew James and Tiffany Elizabeth to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sponsor I present Nicholas Andre to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Parents and Godparents

We present Memphis Oluwafemi to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian

faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you by your presence and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I will, with God's help.

Presider Is there anyone else here present who desires to be baptized?

Presider waits for a response and then continues.

Presider Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of

God?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I renounce them.

Presider Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I do.

Presider Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I do.

Presider Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents, Godparents and Candidates

I do.

Presider Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support the candidates in their life

in Christ?

People **We will.**

Presider Let us join with Matt, Tiffany, Nick, sponsors, parents and Godparents who are

committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT Stand

Deacon Do you believe in God?

People I believe in God, creator of heaven and earth.

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

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Deacon Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Presider How will you connect to Christ in community?

People With God's help I will continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the

breaking of bread, and in the prayers.

Presider How will you resist evil and turn to Christ?

People With God's help I will persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever I fall into sin, repent

and return to the Lord.

Presider How will you show Christ in your life?

People With God's help I will proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ.

Presider How will you seek and serve Christ in your life?

People With God's help I will seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving my neighbor as

myself.

Presider How will you preserve God's creation?

People With God's help I will cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the

beauty and integrity of all creation.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Deacon Let us now pray for these siblings of ours who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Cantor begins the Prayers for the Candidates by singing the response one time through.



Intercessor Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open their hearts to our grace and truth.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Intercessor Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Intercessor Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Intercessor Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Intercessor Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

Presider Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in

the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns

now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Presider blesses the water, saying

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE BAPTISM

The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, who then pours water upon the candidate saying

Presider I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

Presider Let us pray.

Abiding God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servants Matt, Tiffany, Nick and Memphis the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

People Amen.

Then the Presider places a hand on each candidate's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying

Presider You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

People Amen.

The Presider lights the baptismal candle from the Paschal Candle.

Presider Let us welcome Matt, Tiffany, Nick and Memphis.

Presider and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

The Bishop's Warden invites new members to come forward.

Deacon Almighty God, we thank you for the life journey that brought these people to join our

church today. We celebrate the unique impact they will make here and already have made here, through their presence, gifts and talents. May this congregation offer support in times of trouble and rejoice with them always. May our church home strengthen their

faith and deepen their discipleship. All this we pray in Christ's Holy Name.

People Amen.

Presider To the church of St. Francis, do you promise to help them find their place in the body of

Christ, to pray with and for them, to welcome them fully in holy friendship, to be angels for them in times of distress and servants to them in times of need? If so, please answer:

We promise, with the help of God.

People We promise, with the help of God.

Presider Let us, the members of St. Francis, express our welcome and affirm our ministry together.

People We joyfully welcome you into the common life of our church. We promise you our

friendship and prayers as we share in the hopes and labors of this church. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we grow together in faith and be witnesses to the love

of God and the peace of Christ.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

THE VICAR'S EASTER GREETING Sit

St. Francis' Episcopal Church is grateful for the generosity of all visitors and parishioners who contribute as part of the weekly offertory. If you wish, please place your contribution in the collection plate or use the QR code to give online. These gifts are use to support our parish in addition to parishioners' annual commitments.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

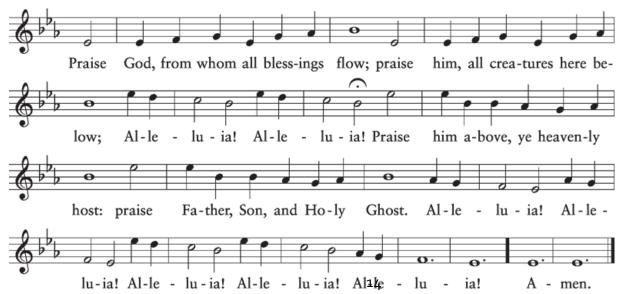
We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.

OFFERTORY

COME, SING ALLELUIA

St. Francis' Singers

Doxology



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

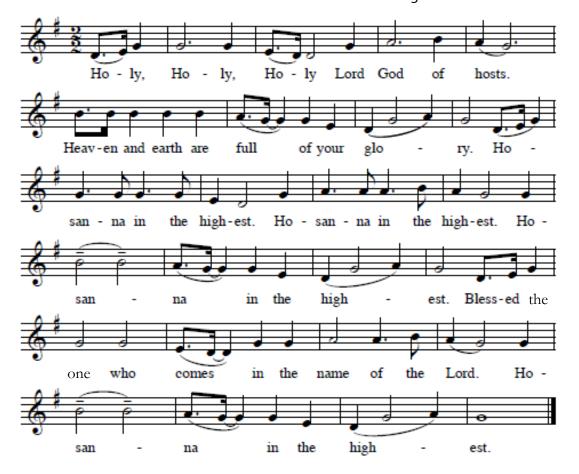
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Presider

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled + with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Mary, St. Francis, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

The people sing twice:





^{*}Pronounced: Ay-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider 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.

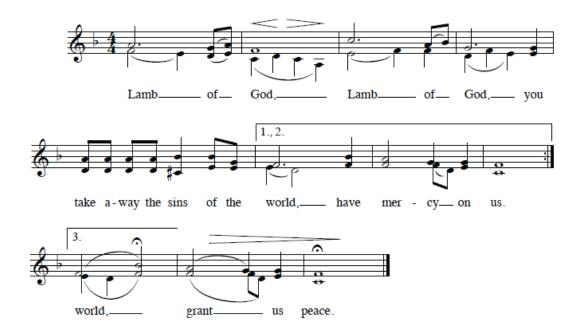
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM



Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-friendly. 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. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.



COMMUNION HYMN

ALLELUIA, SING TO JESUS



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After all have received communion the Presider says

Presider 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, 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

Presider May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life;

and the blessing of the lover, the beloved and the love that exists between them be with

you this day and always.

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!

POSTLUDE A JOYOUS POSTLUDE EDWARD BROUGHTON

EASTER FLOWERS SPONSORED BY:

Paul Becker In memory of Darla Becker Chris and Mary Ann Kinder
In memory of Jim and Saundy Hogan

Ernie Benecke In memory of Rosie Benecke, always loved, forever remembered, and never forgotten! Gina and Al Nessel
In memory of Nancy Lambert and Lea Nessel

Joe and Donna Bernert
In memory of Louise and Joe Bernert
and Joe Thum

Cynthia Jost Rapp
In memory of Chuck and Jean Jost and Carl W. Rapp

Chris Boswell In memory of Ray and Hazel Armer and Kyle Boswell Barb Sacco and Family In memory of Nick Sacco

Phil Davis
In memory of my parents Donald and Jackie Davis

Sue Schmidt
In memory of Granny, the best Easter Bunny ever

Darrell Gibbs In memory of Judy Ann Rowe Gibbs - You have

sorrow now, but will see you again. John 16-22

Jim and Doris Schneider

Bill and Della Thompson In memory of Rose Bonicelli and Myron and Virginia Thompson

Scott and Carol Ward In memory of Rosie Benecke

LENT SEASON MUSIC SPONSORED BY:

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In loving memory of our beloved brother Dominic

Brigitte Jung

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Never tire of doing what is right. 2 Thessalonians