The Anglican Parish of St. Peter and St. Paul April 9th 2023

Easter: Resurrection Sunday

Words of Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you. May he fill our hearts with joy.

Musical opening Holy Holy Holy (Text: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. public domain)

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: holy, holy, holy merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, Lord God almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Easter Litany

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

Rejoice, then, even in your distress.

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

God has claimed us as his own.

He called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

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Christ our Passover

Alleluia!

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; * therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, * **but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

Alleluia!

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; * death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; * but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, * and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia!

Christ has been raised from the dead, * the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, * by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, * so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

The Proclamation of the Word

Reading One: Jeremiah 31:1-6

A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,

the Lord appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built,

O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

Again you shall plant vineyards
on the mountains of Samaria;
the planters shall plant,
and shall enjoy the fruit.
For there shall be a day when sentinels will call
in the hill country of Ephraim:
'Come, let us go up to Zion,
to the Lord our God.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:1-10

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is

my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn: CP 203 Jesus Christ is Risen Today (Text: Lyra Davidica, 1708, , public domain)

Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia! our triumphant holy day, alleluia!

who did once, upon the cross, alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia! unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, alleluia! our salvation have procured; alleluia! now above the sky he's king, alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Prayers for Easter The Rev. Gail Rodger

Easter Reflection The Rev. Gail Rodger

Collect

Let us pray,

Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Musical Sending: I Feel the Winds of God Today

(Text: Jessie Adams1863-1954, English Melody traditional Public Domain)

I feel the winds of God today; today my sail I lift, though heavy oft with drenching spray and torn with many a rift; if hope but light the waters crest, and Christ my bark will use, I'll seek the seas at his behest and brave another cruise. It is the wind of God that dries my vain regretful tears, until with braver thoughts arise, the purer brighter years; if cast on shores of selfish ease or pleasure I should be, Lord let me feel your freshening breeze and I'll put back to sea.

If ever I forget your love and how that love was shown, lift high the blood-red flag above, it bears your name alone. Great pilot of my onward way, you will not let me drift I feel the winds of God today, today my sail I lift.

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!



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