

Liturgy for Easter Day

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Prelude

Trumpet Tune in A Major

David N. Johnson

Welcome

Please stand at the ringing of the sacring bell. The ministers enter silently from the Sacristy and the Presider begins the service.

The Easter Acclamation

Presider ★ Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

- 1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2. 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!

- 3. But the pains which heaven endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured, Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
 Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
 Praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

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

First Lesson Be seated.

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.

Gradual Psalm 118 Sung.

This is the day the Lord has made Let us rejoice, let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."

This is the day the Lord has made Let us rejoice, let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad.

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

There is a sound of exultation and victory * in the tents of the righteous:

This is the day the Lord has made Let us rejoice, let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad.

"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! "
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"
I shall not die, but live, "
and declare the works of the Lord.

This is the day the Lord has made Let us rejoice, let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad.

The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the Lord has made Let us rejoice, let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad.

Stand.

Second Lesson

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.

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn Good Christians All Rejoice and Sing

- 1. Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2. The Lord of life is risen today! Sing songs of praise along his way; let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia!
- 3. Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4. Your Name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 5. To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One, we sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:1-10

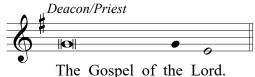
After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary

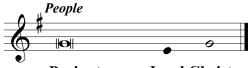


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Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white 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 worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."





Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Be seated.

Sermon

The Rev. R. Casey Shobe, DMin.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

To our Candidates for Holy Baptism, Alex, Brandon, Natalie, and Sam: Please take this opportunity to reflect on the promises you will make at your baptism as soon as we are able to gather again.

Presider Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we follow the pattern of our Lord Jesus Christ. As he came up from the water he was anointed by the Spirit of God and designated as God's Son. So we also are anointed by that same Spirit in baptism; we are reborn and adopted as sons and daughters with whom God is well pleased.

Please Stand.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, \mathbb{A} and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People Spoken.

On this holy day of resurrection and life, let us pray in hope for the needs of the whole world.

That isolated and persecuted Christians may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

That in the face of the darkness and fear of our world, we may hold fast to the joy and hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

That we may not fear evil or death, and have courage to love one another as Christ loves us, let us pray to the Lord Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

That the Holy Spirit will inspire the leaders of the nations with wisdom to guide us through the pandemic and serve the needs of all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

That by God's power the earth would be freed from war and violence, and all people will know true peace and justice, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

That those living in the shadow of death may receive strength and hope, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

That all who minister to the sick will be blessed and protected, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

▼ That we may share with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection at the eternal banquet of Christ, let us pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer. Alleluia.

The Presider prays the Concluding Collect.

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence

and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Anthem

Arise, My Love

Joel Martinson

The Lord's Prayer Spoken

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 Blessing

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you the hope of the Easter faith. Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

- 1. Christ is Alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.
- 2. Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, he comes to claim the here and now and conquer every place and time.
- 3. Not through above, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains, but daily, in the midst of life our Savior with the Father reigns.
- 4. In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn or wealth divide, he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.
- 5. Christ is alive! His Spirit burns through this and every future age, still all creation lives and learns his joy, his justice, love, and praise.

The Altar flowers for this morning's service were given by the staff of Transfiguration and Charlotte Snodgrass to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the fortitude and faithfulness of the parishioners of Transfiguration.