



# CHRIST AND GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*It is our custom to observe a prayerful silence before the service begins. During the service, please feel free to stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Welcome and thank you for wearing your masks while inside the building. The Lector, Soloist, and Officiant will remove masks only when speaking. During hymns we will remain seated. As singing inside is not yet permitted, you are invited to silently read and meditate on the words during the hymns. For your responses, in bold print, please do respond quietly, God will hear you! At the end of the service, please be seated to wait for the ushers to direct you toward the exit. We will exit by pews out of the side door near the pulpit, beginning with the front pew on the left side. After the left side has departed, ushers will guide the right side of the church down the center aisle and across the front of the sanctuary to the exit. We appreciate your patience.*

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## EASTER SUNDAY April 4, 2021

### The Word of God

#### 9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II – live streamed

### The Word of God

**Prelude:** *Jesus Shall Reign*

Bill Ingram

**Hymn 179** *Welcome, happy morning!*  
*standing as you are able*

Fortunatus

*"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say:  
hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!  
Lo! the Dead is living, God for evermore!  
Him their true Creator, all his works adore!*

*Refrain: "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.*

*Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain:  
all that now is fallen raise to life again;  
show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see;  
bring again our daylight: day returns with thee! (Refrain)*

**Opening Acclamation** *standing*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**Pascha nostrum** *standing as you are able*

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us.  
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;  
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Now Christ is raised and will not die again;  
death has no more dominion over him.  
Through him we die to sin and live to God.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

In Christ we see the first-fruits of the dead:  
though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die,  
in Christ's new life shall all be made alive.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### The Collect of the Day

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 Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9** *sitting* (See scripture insert)

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 180** *He is risen* (vs. 1-2) *standing* Unser Herrscher

He is risen, he is risen!  
Tell it out with joyful voice:  
he has burst his three days' prison;  
let the whole wide earth rejoice:  
death is conquered, we are free,  
Christ has won the victory.

Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,  
with glad smile and radiant brow!  
Death's long shadows have departed;  
Jesus' woes are over now,  
and the passion that he bore—  
sin and pain can vex no more.

**Gospel:** *standing*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**Mark 16:1-8**

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sine Nomine

**Hymn 180** *He is risen* (vs. 3-4)

Unser Herrscher

*Come, with high and holy hymning,  
hail our Lord's triumphant day;  
not one darksome cloud is dimming  
yonder glorious morning ray,  
breaking o'er the purple east,  
symbol of our Easter feast.*

*He is risen, he is risen!  
He hath opened heaven's gate:  
we are free from sin's dark prison,  
risen to a holier state;  
and a brighter Easter beam  
on our longing eyes shall stream.*

### The Sermon

The Rev. Robin Teasley

**Prayers of the People Form III** *standing as you are able*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. I invite you to offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud. (*pause*)

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**The Peace** *standing*

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

*People* **And also with you.**

### Greeting and Announcements

### Offertory Sentence

## The Holy Communion

**Offertory Anthem:** *Alleluia*

Mozart

**The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B** *standing*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son 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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin 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. In him, 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, O Father,

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

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 your Son in his 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized persons, regardless of denomination or church membership, are welcome to come forward and receive the Holy Bread. You are welcome to be seated until you come forward to receive. The ushers will guide you.*

**Communion Music** *That Easter day* Puer nobis  
*Alleluia, alleluia!* Alleluia No. 1

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** *standing*

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Blessing and Dismissal

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Hymn 207** *Jesus Christ is risen today* *standing* Easter Hymn

*Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!*

*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!*

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*Please be seated. The ushers will guide dismissal by pews.*

**Postlude** *March in D Major* Alexandre Guilmant

*If you would like to receive reserved sacrament, please contact the church office or Rev. Robin.*

Lay Reader: Andy Gates

Audio/Visual: Lee Adams, Bill Miller

Christ and Grace Bell Choir: Tim Richardson, Director

Cantors: Laraine Smith and Matthew Little

**WELCOME VISITORS:** We extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. If you would like to know more about our church, visit our website where you will also find links to our YouTube channels. You may also email us and we will be in touch. We are glad you are here.

The Rt. Rev. Susan Haynes	Bishop, Diocese of Southern Virginia
The Rev. Robin Teasley	Rector
William Owen	Organist – Choirmaster
Matthew Little	Assistant Organist
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*Our mission: Offering Hope, Healing and Hospitality*

## EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

*Are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:*

Joe Jones by Valerie & family

Jeremy Bowles by his family

Kathie Elder by Ronnie Elder

Larry Tucker by Ronnie Elder

Dr. Clyde W. Vick, Jr. by Barbara Vick and family

Dr. & Mrs. William McNeil Turner and William McNeil Turner, Jr. by their family

William Norvel Walsh, Jr. by his family

Diane Motley Striffler by her friend

James Harris by Beth Pollard

Carolyn B. Ross by Conner, Gene, Troy, Jeff & Beth Ross

Boots & Bob Holden by the Holden family

Clayton & Vivian Kniffin by John & Nancy Holden

*Are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for:*

Bill Miller & Lee Adams by Mom

Those who have helped me by Polly Williams

Jill Donnelly by Beth Pollard

The People of Christ and Grace by Robin Teasley

### 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.

### Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

