

### EASTER SUNDAY

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II APRIL 20, 2025 8:00AM & 10:30 AM





We're so glad you chose to be here at Resurrection today.

Whether you're here for the first time, or are a life-long member, Resurrection is a hopeful, healing, transformation-minded kind of place, a place where everyone is welcome and can grow their relationship with God and with one another.

If you *are* here for the first time (or if you just haven't gotten around to it yet), please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate to let us know you were here. To receive our weekly email bulletin, be sure to include your email address. And let us know if you would like to connect with our parish life and ministries; we're happy to help you find your spot!

Our services follow *The Book of Common Prayer*, the red book in your pew rack. If you'd like to use the book to follow the service, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the *Hymnal 1982*, the blue books in the pew rack.

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Fill out a pew card or email *office@episcopalloudon.com* to be placed on on the weekly email, *Parish Tidings*, for the latest information from Resurrection.

If you can't make it here in person, join us at 10:30, live on Facebook: *facebook.com/episcopalloudon*.





Our 8:00 am service is a Spoken Eucharist, while our 10:30 Choral Eucharist includes music. Otherwise, the services are identical. Our combined bulletin includes notes to guide you as you worship at either service.

We ask that lightly used bulletins at the early service be turned back in for use if needed at the later service.

- Thank you.

### We prepare for our time together.

We take our places and allow the peaceful quiet to center and calm us.

# Holy Eucharist, Easter Day The Word of God

Prelude (only at 10:30)

Toccata in E minor Johann Pachelbel

**Hymn** (*only at 10:30*) *Jesus Christ is risen today* 

Hymnal 207

All standing, the Bishop says

the Bishop says BCP 355

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Bishop then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us; Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

The Bishop then continues with the Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The bold portions are the parts the congregation says together. Remember that "liturgy" means worshipping together. It is important that we make our responses in a good, strong voice.

The first prayer, said by the celebrant, is the Collect for Purity. A collect is a particular form of prayer, which names some attribute of God or something God has done, asks for something specific, and then closes with praise to God. For centuries, this Collect for Purity was said silently by the priest. The Prayer Book of 1552 made this prayer a public one, said aloud by the priest for all the people gathered.

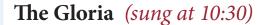
The Gloria (spoken at 8:00)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

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. Amen.



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#### The Collect of the Day

**BCP 222** 

The Bishop says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day is written to go along with both the season of the church year and the readings for the day. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scripture for 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.** 

#### The Lessons

The First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Acts

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."

Our lessons from scripture are a central part of **The Liturgy of the Word.** 

"Scripture" comes from the Latin for "writings" and refers to a collection of the most important documents in a given religious community. The term "canon," which means a rule or listing, refers to the list of items included in a scripture.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

**BCP 760** 

Lector We will read the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

- 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."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, \* and he has become my salvation.

Composed for both individual and community use, **Psalm** is the name given to the hymns of the Old Testament. The Book of Psalms has traditionally be attributed to David because he seems to have composed hymns,

though some hymns of ancient Israel were certainly composed before David.

We respond to each reading: the **Psalm** is our response to the Old Testament; the hymn our sung response to the **Epistle** (the second reading), and the sermon and creed are our response to the **Gospel**.

Meaning literally "a letter", the name Epistle was given to the first of the two New Testament readings in the Eucharist. The majority of these passages are taken from the epistolary literature

- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \* in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \* the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"
- 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.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*
  I will enter them;
  I will offer thanks to the Lord.
- 20 "This is the gate of the Lord; \* he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \* and have become my salvation.
- 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.
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted; \* we will rejoice and be glad in it.

#### The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Lector A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

of the New Testament, such as the letters of Paul to communities of Christians in various places.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.** 

**Hymn** (only at 10:30) Christ is alive!

Hymnal 182

All stand

#### The Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:1-12

Bishop The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

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.

We stand to indicate the importance we place of Jesus' words and actions. The **Gospel** book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader.

	Bishop People	The Gospel of the Lord.  Praise to you, Lord Christ.			
A <b>Sermon</b> or a shorter teaching called a homily follows the Gospel. It usually explains some of the teachings in the Gospel and other lessons  We use the Apostle's Creed when renewing our baptismal covenant.	Sermon	The Rt. Rev. Brian L. Cole			
	The Renewal of Baptismal Vows				
	All stand.				
	The Bishop asks				
	Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?				
	People	I do.			
	Bishop People	Do you believe in God the Father?  I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.			
	Bishop People	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.			
	Bishop People	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, and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and

fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the

prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,

whenever you fall into sin, repent and return

to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the

Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,

loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all

people, and respect the dignity of every human

being?

People I will, with God's help.

Then the Bishop says

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 Peace BCP 360

All stand. The Bishop says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The **Peace**, is an ancient way for people to greet one another. Jesus taught that we should love one another as sisters and brothers, and that we should forgive one another as God forgives us. When the celebrant says: "The Peace of the Lord be always with you," everyone responds: "And also with you." Then we share God's peace with one another.

## Parish Announcements

This center section of your bulletin is for you to tear out & take home with you. Keep the announcements, prayer lists, calendars, & Diocesan news on hand all week!

#### **Parishioner Paragraphs**

We are asking everyone to write a paragraph introducing themselves to Rev. Bridges. We want to help her be successful as our new priest in charge.

Please include how long you've been at Resurrection, your work background, family, hobbies, church activities, and anything else you want her to know about you.

We also need a photo of you or your family (close-ups are best, thanks!) If you could please send these items to the church office (office@episcopalloudon.com), Bonnie has graciously agreed to compile them into a notebook. You can drop off hand-written paragraphs, and Bonnie can scan physical photos if need be. The deadline is fast-approaching: April 30th.

#### Spring Wildflower Hike along the Hiwassee River Wednesday, April 23

This is an easy/moderate roundtrip 4.0 mile walk with excellent viewing of wildflowers.

Details on sign up sheet in the Parish Hall. We'll carpool from Tellico Village.

Contact Andy or Judy Hadjian (865-235-8457) for more details.

### THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

It takes a whole parish to make a church run - from lay ministry volunteers to pruning bushes and from reading gospel parts to bringing dishes for potlucks.

Without everyone who took a part (or many parts) in getting us ready for Spring and in making sure our Holy Week and Easter activities were coordinated and manned, none of it would have happened. So from the bottom of our hearts, thank each and every one of you!

#### Welcome Bishop Brian!

Resurrection is a fitting place to celebrate our risen Lord on Easter Sunday!
We are fortunate to be led in worship today by our Bishop. Please welcome him, each other and our guests at our Easter brunch between services, lovingly and deliciously prepared by members of our parish.

#### ECW Meeting Friday, April 25th 12 noon - lunch provided

Alice Anderson will be presenting a fun and educational show of puppets for our Puppets Galore program. You won't want to miss this one! Please sign up in the Parish Hall.

# Prayers Thanksgivings

#### THIS WEEK'S PARISH PRAYER LIST

Jim; Kelly; Judy; the Hentchel family; Pat; Barbara; George; Kathleen; the Haldi family; Daphne; Jenon; Aaron; Sarah; Killian; and all who suffer the violence of war and political unrest.

#### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

4/1 - Thomas Fiebke

4/2 - Claire Boyles

4/4 - Carl Bye

4/12 - Jane Scott

4/15 - Oralee Adams

4/25 - Art Stewart

4/30 - Carolyn & Chip Parker

#### **CONTINUED PRAYER LIST**

Claire Sandy Rob & Sherry Cheri

Jane Shannon

Jim Mel

Wayne Diana N.
Jack Ashley
Raynella Ed & Jean

Kim E. Joe Beverly Grace

Virginia Betty Anne Janey Johnny

Karen H.

#### **Our Vestry Leaders**

Senior Warden: Jenny Lucas Clerk: Dawson Hope Junior Warden: Diane Van Koughnett Treasurer: Sally Leonhard \*

Class of 2025

Lisa Amelse

Donna Bye

Diane Van Koughnett

Class of 2026

Drew Hawley

Dawson Hope

Dawson Hope

Jenny Lucas

Class of 2027

Bev Baumgardner

Karen Blakley

Mark Hennes

All members' terms end in December of their class year, except for the Treasurer\*, who is a non-voting officer.

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYERS**

Resurrection, Loudon St. Paul, Norris, SD Trinity, Mission, SD St. Thomas, Corn Creek, SD

### For Your Calendars

THIS WEEK

EASTER 4/20 Acolyte: EM: Lector: Thurifer Usher: Counters:

Video: Altar Guild: Flower Guild: 8:00 AM

Andrew Wilkinson Judy Hadjian Jerry Ploeger n/a

Dave Baumgardner

n/a n/a

/a Ann Murphy
Judy Egan & Janey Coombes
Rosemary Kitts & All our Parishioners

10:30 AM

Mark Smith

**Dawson Hope** 

Keytha Graves

Drew Hawley Monty Ross & Art Stewart

Ginny Tolbert & Dave St. John

Monday Office Volunteer

4/21 Office Closed Easter

Monday

NEXT WEEK

A/27
Acolyte:
EM:
Lector:
Usher (s):
Chancellor:
Coffee Hour:
Counters:
Video:

**Altar Guild:** 

Flower Guild:

Holly Pate
Mark Hennes
Jack Lefter
Jen Hennes
Holly Pate
Donna Bye
n/a
n/a

8:00 AM

10:30 AM
Drew Hawley
Dawson Hope
Tony Adams
Art Stewart & Monty Ross

Art Stewart & Monty Ross Nelda Griffith Elizabeth & Steve Botica Carolyn Parker & Nelda Griffith

Mark Blakley Judy Egan & Janey Coombes Bev Baumgardner Monday Office Volunteer

4/28 Donna Bye

#### **Next Week at Resurrection**

Monday, 4/21 Office Closed 7:00pm - AA (open meeting)

Wednesday, 4/23

9:00am - Hiwassee Hike

Friday, 4/25

12:00pm - ECW Meeting

Puppets Galore Program

Sunday, 4/27

8:00am - Holy Eucharist Service 10:30am - Holy Eucharist Service Rev. Canon Michael Spear-Jones

#### **COMING UP...**

April 30th -Deadline for Parishioner
Paragraphs & Photos
May 3rd - Rame Coombes service
May 11th - Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges'
Welcome Reception & 1st Sunday

Check your Parish Tidings for upcoming details!

Email office@episcopalloudon.com to have your ministry or committee's activities or meetings added to the parish calendar.

### Check it out!

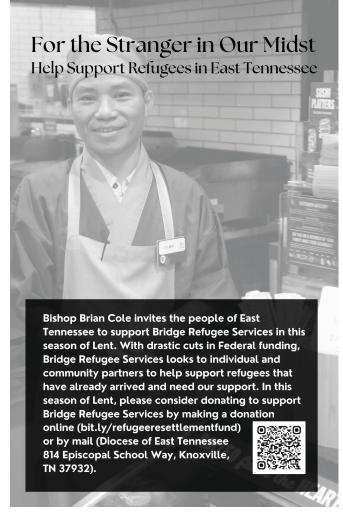


Hitting the Greens for Grace Point June 30, 2025 Gettysvue Country Club, Knoxville

The Second Annual "Hit the Greens for Grace Point" golf tournament is scheduled for Monday, June 30th 2025 at Gettysvue Country Club, Knoxville, TN. Please mark your calendars and try to organize a golf team (or 2!) from your church. Also, a member of the golf tournament planning committee will be calling your church to inquire about sponsorships. Hole sponsorships are \$250 and a great way to show your church's support for the Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center. We, of course, would gladly accept any other level of sponsorship you would like to provide.

We are instituting a little friendly competition between churches this year, too. A trophy will be rewarded at the end of the tournament for the church team with the lowest score. We hope to pass this among churches for many years to come!

Please make plans to attend this fun event at the end of June! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call or email me, 865-388-8054 or jenmoffitt@att.net.



#### Grace Point Rocks! Don't You Think?

Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center is an amazing ministry for youth and adults alike. Their rocking chair fundraiser seeks to raise enough funds to purchase rocking chairs for the Grace Point campus. All donation amounts are welcome. Donations of \$150 per chair will receive a dedication plaque. You may donate online or by mailing a check to Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center, 300 Chamberlain Cove Road, Kingston, TN, 37763. Dedications are limited to 30 characters. For more information, please email Julie Novak at julesnovak@gmail.com.



Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### **Announcements**

#### Blessings of Birthdays and Anniversaries

### The Liturgy of the Table

The second part of the liturgy moves to the Table. It is based on Jewish fellowship meals, particularly the Passover observance.

We begin with the **Offertory**. In the early days of the Church, worshippers brought their own bread and wine to the service. The deacons chose what was needed for the consecration, and the rest was set aside for the poor. Today we usually have lay persons who bring the bread and the wine to the altar. These may be either people from the congregation or acolytes in the sanctuary. The bread and the wine along with money collected at some services are the offerings that will be presented to God.

#### The Holy Communion

The Bishop says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2* 

Offertory Anthem (only at 10:30)

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia! Hymnal 214

The Celebrant invites the people's offerings

Spoken at 8:00

Bishop All things come of thee, O Lord;

People And of thine own have we given thee.

Sung at 10:30

#### Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

**Eucharistic Prayer B** 

**BCP 367** 

The Bishop says to the people

The Lord be with you,

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Bishop proceeds

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, anby 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:

Sanctus

Spoken at 8:00

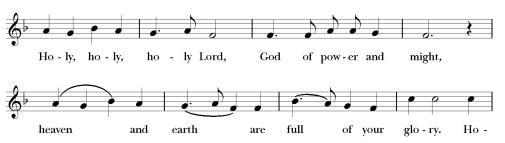
Sung at 10:30

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.

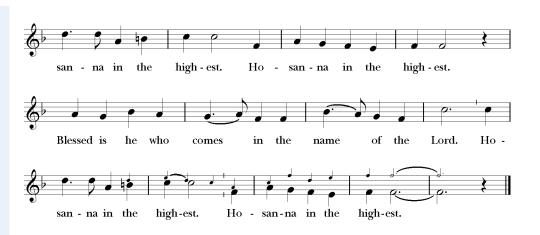
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There are a number of **Eucharistic Prayers** that we use at Resurrection. During Easter we will use Prayer B from the Book of Common Prayer.

"Eucharist" comes from "eucharistia" - Greek for "thanksgiving."

The Sanctus (Latin - "holy") praises God, and is the song of the seraphim in Isaiah's vision of the Lord. (Isaiah 6:1-3) It is said or sung by all the people together; some bow during it as a gesture of reverence to God.



### Why do some stand, and some kneel?

Kneeling during the Eucharistic prayer first began in the 13th century, but standing was the original custom (early churches didn't have pews or chairs - just open space). Either is correct - choose what feels prayerful for you. Perhaps try both and see.

#### The people stand or kneel. Then the Bishop continues

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."

#### The Bishop continues

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.** 

Sung at 10:30

Hymnal S-146



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

#### Bishop and 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 Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer in all capital letters. It is the people's affirmation of all that has gone before, and has been a practice since the 2nd century. In this service, we frequently sing our Amen.

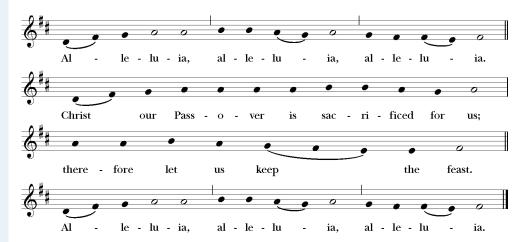
This prayer of Jesus was given to his disciples as an example of how they should pray. The phrase "Lord's Prayer" is not used in the New Testament. It is similar to Jewish prayers: it begins with an address to God the Father, continues with petitions which ask God to act in a way which would achieve his purposes, and then has petitions which ask for God's help.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

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

#### Fraction Anthem(only at 10:30)

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#### **Receiving Communion**

All are welcome at God's table. Hold out your hands and you will be given the bread. For now, wine is available both in individual cups and from the chalice. Please partake in the way you feel comfortable.

Gluten-free wafers are available by request.

You have fully received communion if you receive either the bread or the wine.

As soon as everyone has received **Communion**, the Bread and Wine are reverently removed to the sacristy where the chalice and paten

The Bishop says

Alleluia, Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.** 

The Bishop says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We encourage you to come forward to receive Holy Communion as you feel comfortable. Remain seated, and the usher will direct you forward to the communion rail. Please remain standing to receive communion, and then return to your seat by the side aisle. so that traffic flows one way.

If you would prefer communion be brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know and, as always, we will be happy to do so. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you prefer a blessing.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen**.

Communion Hymn (only at 10:30)

We walk by faith

Hymnal 209

After Communion, the Bishop says

Let us pray.

Bishop and People

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.

The Blessing

Post communion Hymn (only at 10:30)

Hail thee festival day!

Hymnal 175

The Dismissal

*Bishop* Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude (only at 10:30)

The Rejoicing

G. F. Handel

cleaned and put away according to the custom of the parish. Bread and Wine may be reserved for the sick and those who are unable to come to church, and is kept in the Aumbry - - the beautifully adorned cabinet over which the sanctuary light burns - - symbolic of the Presence of the Risen Lord.

It is almost time for us to go, but we should not leave before we say together the prayer of thanksgiving. After this, the Bishop will give us God's blessing.

The final act of our common worship is the **Dismissal.** It is an integral part of the service. The word "Mass" comes from the Latin words "missa est"- "you are sent". Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all that he commanded. This is what we are all called to do.



#### Our Easter Flowers today are given to the glory of God

In memory of Jimmy Dodd, by Will & Nancy Heathcote

*In memory of Charles Pittman by Kathy Pittman* 

*In memory of Rame Coombes, by Janey Coombes and all his family* 

In memory of James and Vilah Follansbee, Dorothy Parker, and Consuelo Heath by Chip & Carolyn Parker

In memory of The Rev. & Mrs. Leon B. G. Adams and Robert & Lucille Livermore by Tony & Oralee Adams

In memory of Bob O'Callaghan by Karin O'Callaghan

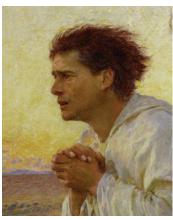
In memory of Robert "Bob" Wegener by Anne Wegener

*In honor of our parents by Bill & Virginia Perry* 

In honor of Barbara Albrecht by Ben & Sally

In thanksgiving by Liz & Jon Berg

# TODAY'S ART EASTER SUNDAY



The Disciples Peter and John Running to the Sepulcher on the Morning of the Resurrection
Burnand, Eugene (1850-1921), Swiss
Musee d'Orsay, Paris, PUBLIC DOMAIN
1898, Oil on canvas

Tucked away in a central Parisian museum that was once a railway station, there hangs an Easter painting quite unlike any Gospel masterpiece created before or after it. It is not painted by a Rembrandt or a Rubens or the patron saint of artists, Fra Angelico. The painting is the work of a little-known Swiss painter. For those who make a trip to see it, viewing the canvas is a special spiritual experience in their lives.

The work does not even show the risen Jesus. It merely portrays two witnesses, Jesus' oldest and youngest apostle. The youngest who was the only man brave enough to stay by Jesus' cross and the only one who did not die a martyr's death as a result of it. The oldest apostle who first denied Jesus in fear, yet ultimately chose to be crucified upside down by the Roman authorities rather than deny Christ's resurrection.

In "The Disciples Peter and John Running to the Sepulchre on the Morning of the Resurrection" by Eugène Burnand, John clasps his hand in prayer while Peter holds his hand over his heart. The viewer feels the rush as their hair and cloaks fly back with the wind. They are sprinting towards discovery of the moment that forever altered heaven and earth. As you look at it, engage for a moment in what the Catholic blogger Bill Donaghy calls "the visual equivalent of Lectio Divina." As Donaghy notes, "This Resurrection scene does not put us before still figures near a stagnant stone, or figures standing with stony faces in a contrived, plastic posture, pointing to an empty tomb. This scene is dynamic; we are in motion."

Through the movement and immediacy of the scene, the preceding minutes with Mary Magdalene are palpable. In a sense, she is in the painting too. "You can almost hear her voice in the background, can you not, a few minutes earlier, as she burst into their house..." writes the Episcopal Bishop Dorsey McConnell in an Easter sermon meditating on the painting.

Apart from Jesus' mother, no other three participants capture the closeness of Jesus' encounter with humankind quite like John, Peter and Mary of Magdala. Their interactions with Christ embody a relationship to God previously unimaginable to mankind. Jesus turning to Peter as they sit by the fire and asking three times, "Do you love me?", thereby washing away the sin of the three denials past; Christ turning to John in the midst of his suffering and saying, "Behold, your mother," giving her to the Church entire. And, of course, the beautiful moment about to transpire in which Jesus' merely says Mary's name and she recognizes Him with a cry of "Rabbouni!" They are the moments which cause one to wonder how those who truly hate Christianity (not merely disbelief it) can remain so hostile to its narrative beauty.

[Burnand] was "an illustrator of popular working types: collectors of coal, sowers in the field and even penitent woodsmen praying at a roadside cross," writes Gabriel P. Weisberg, a professor of art history at the University of Minnesota. For him the image of two fishermen racing toward a supernatural realization about the death of a carpenter would be instinctive.

Look into Peter's wide open eyes and John's intense gaze. Their eyes contain a mix of anxiousness and hope, the way a parent or grandparent's eyes look at the news of an impending birth. A new life is about to emerge, but there is still uncertainty because it is a mystery beyond full human comprehension or control. Peter and John's faces capture the same sense of anticipation.

Burnand created a sparse, simple painting capturing two of the most important players in the greatest story ever told. Meditate upon their faces as Burnand intended you to do and through them discover the empty tomb.

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