



Episcopal Church of the Resurrection

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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Good morning! 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.

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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, instead of this order of service booklet, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the blue Hymnal 1982. A hymn noted "S-xxx" is part of the service music, found at the front of the hymnal, appearing before the regular congregational hymns begin. For example, S-280 (The Gloria) is found before hymn I.

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The Third Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Service of the Word

Prelude

Entrance Hymn
Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

Please stand as able.
Hymnal 492

Opening Acclamation
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

BCP 355

The Gloria (Spoken at 8:00. Sung at 10:30.)

Hymnal S-280

**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.**

Celebrant **The Lord be with you.**

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant **Let us pray.**

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam*

BCP 759

Lector We will read the Psalm responsively. *Congregation reads bold lines.*

I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *

because he has inclined his ear to me

whenever I called upon him.

The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *

“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”

How shall I repay the LORD *

for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation *

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *

in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD *

is the death of his servants.

O LORD, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;

you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *

in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the LORD's house, *

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

Lector and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

The Second Lesson: I Peter I: 17-23

Lector A reading from the First Letter of Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of

Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Please stand as able.

I want to walk as a child of the light (verses 1 & 2)

Hymnal 490

The Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

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

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

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?"

They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,

and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.”

Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn

I want to walk as a child of the light (verse 3)

Hymnal 490

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as able.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People *Common Worship, Intercessions for Eastertide*

Please assume a posture of prayer, whether standing, kneeling, or sitting as able.

Intercessor We pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity.
Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace

of your gospel to the nations.

Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry
and nourish us all with your word.

Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow
you in the way, praying especially for

People **Jeanette, Walter, Jim N., Vicky & Dave, Lee R.,
the McAfee family, Marshall S., Brenda B., Jackie &
Russ C., and all who are in pain or distress; and all
who are suffering due to oppression, war, gun
violence, or natural disasters.**

Intercessor Deepen our appreciation of your truth and fill us with your life.
Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep, recover
the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick and lead the
healthy and strong to new pastures. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we give you thanks for all who
have lived and believed in you, especially Tammy.

Raise us with them to eternal life.

Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us, accept our prayers, and be
with us always. Amen.**

Celebrant Jesus Christ, keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the
bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at
your feet; for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Silence is held for individual confession before we say the Confession together.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand as able.

Brief Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Music

Doxology (Spoken at 8:00. Sung together at 10:30.) Hymnal 380, verse 3

Celebrant For all things come from you, O Lord;
People **and of your own have we given you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sursum Corda (Lift Up Your Hearts)

Spoken at 8:00. Sung at 10:30.

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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 sing (say) this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (Spoken at 8:00. Sung at 10:30.)

Hymnal S-129

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

Celebrant He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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. (Spoken at 8:00. Sung at 10:30.)

Hymnal S-146

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

All *The Lord’s Prayer*

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant Alleuia, Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Hymn (Spoken at 8:00. Sung at 10:30.)

Hymnal S-163

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn (*congregation, please join choir in singing*)

Bread of the world, in mercy broken

Hymnal 301

We encourage you to come forward to receive Holy Communion as you feel comfortable. Remain seated until the usher directs you forward. After receiving communion, 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, you may come forward along with those receiving communion.

Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you prefer a blessing.

Post-Communion Prayer

Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **God of abundance,**

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one

with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

The day of Resurrection

Hymnal 210

The Dismissal

Postlude

Parish Announcements, Prayers & Thanksgivings

Today's altar flowers
are given by Jane Taylor,
Paul Burke, and Maureen Albright
with love for Kathleen Bailey,
who loved her church.

Wildflower Hike at Frozenhead State Park

Thursday, April 23 @ 10 a.m.

Questions?

Contact Andy Hadjian
Look for sign-up sheet
in the Parish Hall.

Requesting Flower Donations

We all enjoy the variety of flowers that enhance our worship times each week and are asking members to consider participating as they wish. The usual donation is \$50 and is accompanied by the dedication (e.g., in honor or memory of a loved one, or for someone's birthday or anniversary).

Both can be turned into the office,
as well as written on the flower chart
(upstairs in the Parish Hall).

Questions? Contact Amy in the church office,
or Rosemary Kitts, Flower Guild coordinator.

Our parish prayer list
Jeanette, Jim N., Walter, Vicky & Dave,
Lee R., the McAfee family,
Marshall S., Brenda B., Jackie & Russ C.

Continuing prayers for
Brian E., Jim; Daphne; Rosemary O.;
the Hentchel family; Pat; 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; and Karen H.

Pray for our vestry leaders
Class of 2026: Alice A., Dianna S., Jenny L.
Class of 2027: Bev B., Karen B., Mark H.
Class of 2028: Holly P., Tom R., Bonnie S.
Wardens: Bonnie S. and Mark H.;
Treasurer: Sally Leonhard

April Birthdays

Thomas Fiebke April 1
Claire Boyles April 2
Carl Bye April 4
Oralee Adams April 15
Art Stewart April 25

April Anniversaries

Carolyn & Chip Parker April 30

For Your Calendars

THIS WEEK

April 19	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
Acolyte	Judy Hadjian	Monty Ross	Altar Guild Bev Baumgartner or Judy Egan & Jan Hanna
Euch. Minister	Jack Lefler	Jane Mocilac	Flower Guild Betty Martin
Lector	Holly Pate	Betsy Schwindt	Organist Jedediah Dahl
Ushers	Carl Bye	Andy Hadjian & Garry Lucas	
Coffee Hour	Rosemary Kitts	Jenny Lucas	Celebrant-Preacher The Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges
Video	n/a	Bill Schwindt	Offering Counters Bill Schwindt & Jean Cardwell
Chancellor	Jerry Ploeger	Art Stewart	

NEXT WEEK

April 26	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
Acolyte	Jack Lefler	Mark Smith	Altar Guild Judy Egan & Jan Hanna
Euch. Minister	Holly Pate	Drew Hawley	Flower Guild Kathy Pittman
Lector	Peggy Rogers	Bill Perry	Organist Jedediah Dahl
Ushers	Donna Bye	Art Stewart & Keytha Graves	
Coffee Hour	Erllys Ploeger	Jackie Buttinelli	Celebrant-Preacher The Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges
Video	n/a	Mark Blakley	Offering Counters Nelda Griffith & Ginny Tolbert
Chancellor	Jerry Ploeger	David Baumgardner	

This Week at Resurrection

Sunday, April 19

Sunday worship, 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Coffee hour after the services, Parish Hall

Monday, April 20

10:30 a.m. Companions group, classroom

Tuesday, April 21

1 p.m. Education for Ministry, Library

Wednesday, April 22

Spoken Noon Eucharist, Nave

Saturday, April 25

Tammy Mott funeral service, 2 p.m.
Reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

Sunday, April 26

Sunday worship, 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Coffee hour after the services, Parish Hall

Coming Soon @ Resurrection

Thursday, April 23

Wildflower Hike
Frozen Head State Park, 10 a.m.

Saturday, April 25

Men's Group. 9-11:30 a.m., Parish Hall

Saturday, April 25

Tammy Mott funeral, Nave, 2 p.m.
Reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

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Art & Scripture Reflection

Michelangelo Merisi Da Caravaggio. *The Supper at Emmaus*, 1601, Oil and tempera on canvas, The National Gallery, London; Presented by the Hon. George Vernon, 1839, NG172, Photo: © National Gallery, London / Art Resource, NY.

Caravaggio's depiction of the supper sequence is perhaps the most narratively charged of the three images in this exhibition. Relying on a dramatic close-up—the composition literally pushes to and beyond the boundaries of the picture plane—the artist captures the disciples' astonishment in their moment of recognition. The shallow nature of the pictorial space, the life-size dimensions of the figures, and the positioning of the highly finished still-life elements—particularly the basket of fruit that transgresses the edge of the table—give the viewer a sense of absolute proximity.

This privileged eyewitness status granted to the viewer of this painting poses questions about our own recognition of the resurrection as viewers and the relationship between sight and belief.

Closer comparison between Luke's account and Caravaggio's interpretation reveals a sequential and temporal disconnect. In the Gospel, after taking the bread Jesus blesses it, breaks it, and hands to the disciples (Luke 24:31). Only after all three actions are the disciples able to recognize the risen Christ, after which he immediately vanishes (v.32).

In Caravaggio's picture, the disciples' abrupt, physical reactions of surprise—arms thrown open, chair hastily pushed back, eyebrows raised, brows furrowed, and gazes rapt—suggest their eyes have indeed been opened. But what do they see that incites this upheaval?

The beardless Christ, whose features Caravaggio subtly altered from conventional depictions of the time to account either for his unrecognizability or to honour the exquisiteness of his risen body, raises his hands in a gesture of blessing over the unbroken bread before him. How, then, can they have recognized him already? The loaf is cleverly concealed behind the roasted fowl painted in the same palette—the eucharistic body, just like the risen body, is concealed and yet revealed. Together, all of these elements serve as a pictorial meditation on the dialectic between the visible and invisible.

Finally, Caravaggio calls attention to this exploration of the limitations of vision, of seeing and not seeing, through the presence of a fourth figure in the scene: the innkeeper standing to the left of Christ playing the role of the clueless observer. He witnesses the theophany, he sees, and yet he does not perceive.

Commentary source

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