EASTER DAY

APRIL 12, 2020
11 A.M.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
Houston, Texas
The Sunday of the Resurrection

eleven o’clock in the morning

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop of Texas
Celebrant

We welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral.
Since 1839, this Christian community has gathered for worship.

Opening Prelude
Grand Chœur Dialogué, No. 6

Eugène Gigout (1844–1925)
arr. Gary Olsen

At the Procession
Congregational Hymn 179

Fortunatus

1 “Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!” age to age shall say:
2 Ma - ker and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,
3 Thou, of life the au - thor, death didst un - der - go,

hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day!
thou from heaven be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture’s fall,
tread the path of dark - ness, sav - ing strength to show;

Lo! the dead is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!
of the Fa - ther’s God - head true and on - ly Son,
come then, true and faith - ful, now ful - fill thy word,
**OPENING SALUTATION**

_Bishop_  Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Bishop says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Song of Praise
Congregational Hymn 180

Easter

1 He is risen, he is risen! Tell it out with joyful voice: he has burst his three days' prison;

2 Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted, with glad smile and radiant brow! Death's long shadows have departed;

3 He is risen, he is risen! He hath opened heaven's gate: we are free from sin's dark prison,

let the whole wide earth rejoice: death is conquered, Jesus' woes are over now, and the passion risen to a holier state; and a brighter we are free, Christ has won the victory. that he bore—sin and pain can vex no more. Easter beam on our longing eyes shall stream.
The Collect of the Day

Bishop  The Lord be with you.
People  And with thy spirit.
Bishop  Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death and opened unto 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 thy life-giving Spirit; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

The First Reading  Colossians 3:1–4

So 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.

Reader  The Word of the Lord.
People  Thanks be to God.


The antiphon is sung first by a cantor and repeated by the People and Choir. It is then sung as indicated in the Psalm text.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.
Let Israel now proclaim, *
“His mercy endures for ever.” Antiphon
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: Antiphon
“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. Antiphon
The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.
Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

“This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter.”
I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

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.
On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Bethany Podgorny, cantor

Hymn 210

Ellacombe
the round world keep high triumph, and all that is there-in;
the Pass-over of gladness, the Pass-over of God.
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;
the round world keep high triumph, and all that is there-in;

let all things seen and unseen their notes together blend,
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
and, listening to his accents, may hear so calm and plain
let all things seen and unseen their notes together blend,

for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.
our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.
his own “All hail!” and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.
for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: Ellacombe, melody from Gesangbuch ... der Herzogl. Württembergischen katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784, alt.;
adapt. Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1868; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889);
V. Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:
R. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL
Matthew 28:1–10

Bishop The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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 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.”

Bishop The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON
The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop of Texas

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

The Bishop addresses the People in these words, all standing

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

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

People I do.
Bishop  Do you believe in God the Father?

People  I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

People  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  Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People  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.

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;
**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, our Bishops, and for all bishops and other ministers;
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
**Who put their trust in you.**

The Bishop concludes

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
The Peace

Bishop    The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People    And with thy spirit.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

At the Offertory

Anthem    George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)
I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth, and though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

Bethany Podgorny, soloist

The Blessing
Hymn 207

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!

who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Dismissal

Bishop    Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
People    Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Closing Voluntary
Toccata from Symphony No. 5    Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

The Easter Music was Given to the Glory of God in Honor of Robert L. Simpson, Canon for Music.

Bethany Podgorny, cantor
Daryl Robinson, organist

Instrumentalists
Carrie Schafer, trumpet
Gerry Mata, trumpet
James Wilson, french horn
Mark Holley, trombone
Matthew Lindahl, tuba
Acts in Easter, a new way for the Cathedral to engage our faith and stay connected • On Sunday, April 19, the Cathedral community is invited to begin reading the Book of Acts together. Acts is about how the Holy Spirit forms and shapes Christian community in times of uncertainty. Join in reading the book together, bit by bit over the 50 days of Easter. In addition, join a weekly online small group for discussion and fellowship. Children, youth, and family ministries are also programming around Acts, so Cathedral members of all generations can participate. Stay tuned for more information about Acts in Easter.

The “Cathedral Good Neighbor” program • The Cathedral wants to hear how you are doing. Expect to receive a phone call or email from a Cathedral Good Neighbor, who lives near you. Be sure to let your Cathedral Good Neighbor know how you are doing and whether you have any needs.

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