

# 8:00AM Divine Service

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The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Day 12 April 2020

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#### AS WE GATHER

The spring of souls. The queen of seasons. The royal feast of feasts. With those colorful phrases the ancient writer John of Damascus, who lived in the eighth century, described Easter Day in a classic hymn text. The Feast of the Resurrection and its importance is difficult to put into words. Everything has been done: Christ has come and has established His kingdom in the world for the sake of the resurrection and the life to come. His saving work is accomplished—and we are the beneficiaries! The action word "go" is central for us this day, as we go in to meet our Lord in worship and go out to share the message of the empty tomb and of the risen Christ, our Lord!

**PRELUDE** "The Morning of the Third Day"

Lani Smith

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN** "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

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## **₩** PREPARATION ₩

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** 

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## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

#### INTROIT

I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and His rider He has thrown into the sea.

The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,

Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed;

You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode. You will bring them in and plant them on Your own mountain,

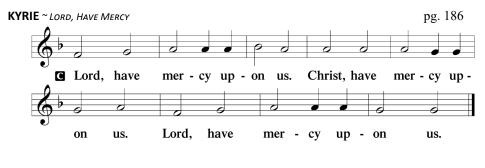
the place, O LORD, which You have made for Your abode,

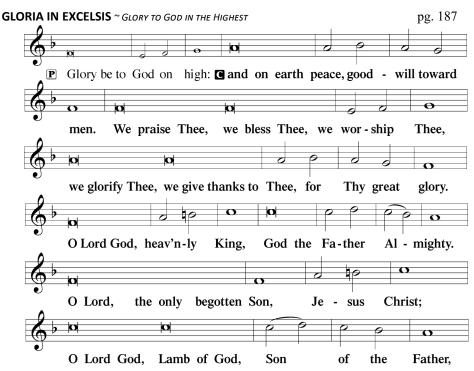
the sanctuary, O Lord, which Your hands have established.

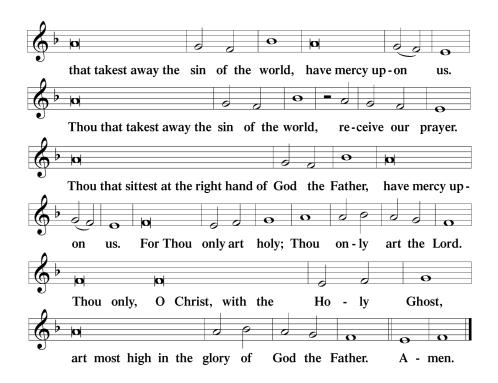
The LORD will reign forever and ever.

## Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.







## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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**P** The Lord be with you.



Let us pray...Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You 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 the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**FIRST READING** (The disciples are witnesses to the risen Lord.) Acts 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup>So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears Him and does what is right is

acceptable to Him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that He sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (He is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that He did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put Him to death by hanging Him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised Him on the third day and made Him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with Him after He rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that He is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE 2 Timothy 1:10b

L Alleluia.

Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Jeremiah 31:1-6

(The Lord has an everlasting love for His people.)

<sup>1</sup>"At that time, declares the LORD, I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they shall be My people."

<sup>2</sup>Thus says the LORD:

"The people who survived the sword

found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,

<sup>3</sup>the LORD appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;

therefore I have continued My faithfulness to you.

<sup>4</sup>Again I will build you, and you shall be built,

O virgin Israel!

Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines

and shall go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

<sup>5</sup>Again you shall plant vineyards

on the mountains of Samaria;

the planters shall plant

and shall enjoy the fruit.

<sup>6</sup>For there shall be a day when watchmen will call

in the hill country of Ephraim:

'Arise, and let us go up to Zion,

to the LORD our God."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge.

I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from You."

As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;

You hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

in the night also my heart instructs me.

I have set the LORD always before me;

because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

my flesh also dwells secure.

For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

or let Your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life;

in Your presence there is fullness of joy;

at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**EPISTLE** (Our lives are hidden with Christ in God.) Colossians 3:1–4

<sup>1</sup>If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup>For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- L In today's Gospel, we hear the command of the angel to the women as they visited the empty tomb: "Go quickly and tell." The powerful message of the resurrection is of first importance. The women responded, leaving the garden tomb with fear and great joy. They ran to tell the disciples! Today we share the experience of those first witnesses of the resurrection and by God's grace we meet our Lord here in Word and Sacrament.

GOSPEL (Stand)

(Jesus is presented in the temple.)

Matthew 28:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter.



<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you." <sup>8</sup>So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. <sup>9</sup>And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."



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HYMN OF THE DAY "He's Risen, He's Risen"

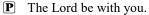
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**SERMON** 

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## **Ḥ** SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT Ḥ

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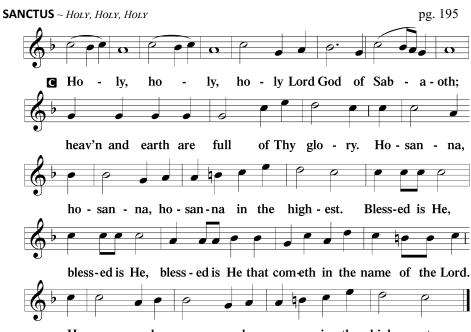


## P Lift up your hearts.



## **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.





Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

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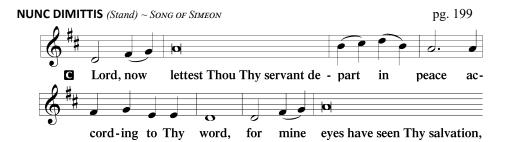
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

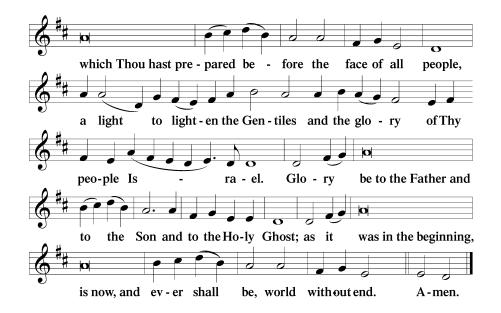




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"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen" # 474

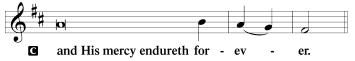




## THANKSGIVING AND POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



## **SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

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**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Bless we the Lord.



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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN "Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

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**POSTLUDE** -HYMN TO JOY

arr. Noel Rawsthorne

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Thank you for your patience, understanding, and support during these trying times!

## THE BEST FORM

- \* God said, "Let us form man in our image."
- \* The world says, "Man must conform to our image."
- \* The devil says, "I will deform man by sin."
- \* Education says, "Let us inform man by knowledge."
- \* Society says, "We will reform man by culture."
- \* Jesus says, "I will transform man by My love."