

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Sunday of the Resurrection

EASTER



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents

05 April, 2026 ~ 9:30 AM

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."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 (*Read in unison*)

BCP, p. 760

- 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.
- 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 Epistle

Colossians 3:1-4

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.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #178 *(Please Stand) Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord*

ALLELUIA NO.1

The Holy Gospel

John 20:1-18

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they

have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

(All are seated)

The Rev. Erin Morey

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows *(All Stand)*

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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People **I will, with God's help**

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

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.

People **Amen.**

Sprinkling of the People with Water

As a reminder of the water of Baptism, the people are sprinkled with Holy Water.

Hymn #296 *We Know that Christ is Raised*

ENGELBERG

The Prayers of the People *(Please stand. You may also kneel)*

Celebrant Let us pray to the Father who raised his Son to life that we might live for ever in him, saying, **“Lord, hear our prayer”**.

Strengthen your Church to be the Body of Christ at work in the world. Heal our divisions and imperfections, make whole this visible body so that it may truly reflect his glorious Body. Give grace to ministers of the Gospel in proclaiming the message of the Resurrection.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray that the joy of the Resurrection may be known throughout the world, may all experience God's love and share Christ's risen life. May all human endeavor become part of the new creation and the life without end.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Give grace this Easter time to heal the wounds of differences among our families, friends and neighbors. By the offering and acceptance of pardon where there has been wrong, may we know together the fullness of the Easter life.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially remembering all victims of climate change, and for the poor. We also remember all those mentioned in our Parish Prayer List, especially those we name now, either silently or aloud. We pray for the sick, the shut in, all caregivers and the grieving; those serving in the military and other dangerous professions, and for our enemies, that all hearts may be turned to peace. For these and all our petitions, we pray to the Lord,

People Lord, hear our prayer.

As we rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ our Savior, we pray for all who have died, especially those we name now, either silently or aloud. We pray for those for whom the Altar Flowers were given.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ 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 Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Peace *(All stand)*

Announcements *(Please be seated)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Sing Joy! Make a Beautiful Noise!

Michael Barrett

Presentation of the Gifts *(All stand)*

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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 this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-129 *(all sing)* *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Robert Powell

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.

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:

All 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. *All: AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

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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

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Fraction Anthem: S-154 (all sing) Christ Our Passover

David Hurd

Communion

You are invited to stand or kneel at the front rail to receive communion. You may receive the bread, the wine, or both. If you need a gluten free wafer please let the celebrant know.

Music During Communion

Hymn #154 (LEVAS) *(all sing)* *Taste and See* James E. Moore

Postcommunion Prayer

(Please stand)

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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.

Easter Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn #180

He is Risen!

UNSER HERRSCHER

Dismissal

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Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Voluntary

Please join us outside for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Coffee Reception!

*Special thanks to our Music Director Ellen Dondero and the Holy Innocents' Choir.
Thank you to John and Noah Dondero on trumpets and Chloe Dondero, soloist for all of
the beautiful and heartfelt music this Holy Week and Easter!
YOU ARE SUCH A TREMENDOUS GIFT TO US ALL!*

Serving Today

Crucifer ~ John Wall **Lector** ~ Kay DeCicco

Chalice Bearers ~ Bill Kehr, Kay DeCicco, Melissa Wall **Ushers** ~ Bob Weidmann

Parish Prayer List – April 05, 2025

If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, April 8th.

Laura	Dennis	Joe	Debbie	Joe
Pat	Warren	Ann	Judy	Meg
Rich	Charles	Doug	Ellis	Judy
Diane	Jeannie	Frank	Nellie	Will
Devin	Rick	Scotty	Don	Gail
Erma	Becka	Chuck	Bob	Gia
Karen	Roy	Mike	Shirley	Ben
Frank III	Tim	Karen	Walter	Kathy
Johnny, Jr.	Matthew			

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Joseph Alexander, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall, Brandan White

Birthdays: James Baxter (04/06), Dawn Starr (04/07), Bill Kehr (04/10), Anne D’Souza (04/11)

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR April 06 – April 10

06 – Mon	Easter Monday ~ <i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	Morning Prayer (FB)	9:00 AM
	Chair Yoga in MH	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
08 – Wed	Sandwich Ministry	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
	Tai Chi in MH	11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
09 – Thurs	Book/Bible Study in MH	1:30 PM
	Shultis Interment	3:00 PM
	BHCAP Mtg.	4:30 PM

“Clam Diggers” AA Group

7:00 PM

Compline (FB)

9:00 PM

10 – Fri *Parish Office Closed*

Please note the church office will be closed tomorrow.

SAVE THE DATE for Upcoming Concerts!

Saturday, April 18 at 4pm Brandi McLeod, vocalist, Spenser R. Gallo, pianist

Saturday, May 2 at 4pm Chloe Dondero, Vocalist & Friends

Sunday, June 7 at 4pm Capital Singers of Trenton

Vinroy D. Brown, Artistic Director & Conductor,

Kendra L. Balmer, Associate Conductor, Spenser R. Gallo, Collaborative Pianist

SAVE THE DATES ~ EARTH WEEK IS COMING!

**Join us for the blessing of our Baldwin Garden at our 9:30am service
on Sunday, April 19th.**

**Also, mark your calendars for our Prayer Hike at 11:00am at the
Cedar Bonnet Island Trail on Tuesday, April 21st.**

**And finally, a special Earth Week Creation Care Bible Study on the Beach on
Sunday, April 26. Pack your beach chair, grab a snack from coffee hour, and head
over to the beach entrance at Pearl Street around noon. We will be discussing
scripture that addresses God's creation. You can bring your own Bible or Bible
app (in any translation) or use one that will be provided**



Easter Flower
MEMORIALS

Maggie Aftanis ~ In loving memory of Janine Kleber

Maggie Aftanis ~ In loving memory of the Snyder and Aftanis Families

Christine Burlaga ~ In memory of loved ones

Diane Carter Carrigan ~ In memory of Stokes B. Carrigan, III

The Cashels ~ In memory of beloved family and friends

Kay & Mike DeCicco ~ In memory the DeCicco, Conklin and Moro Families

Jane Enos ~ In memory of Janine and dearly loved departed ones

Diane Entrikin ~ In loving memory of John Entrikin, Eve & Bob Taylor, Evelyn May Taylor and all loved ones

Carol, Amy & Sarah ~ In loving memory of Gene Hammond

Susan Hughes ~ In memory of John Hughes, Sam Lippincott, Pete and friends and family who have passed

Thomas & Gail Jacobsen ~ In memory of Barbara, Patsy, Rose and Mary Kay

Bill & Ellen Kehr ~ In memory of Bill and Grace Kehr, Charlie and Mary Erskine, our parents

Carol Kirby ~ In loving memory of Matt Kirby and Ellis Kirby

Judith Krom ~ In memory of the Valentine and Krom loved ones

Cynthia Longenbach ~ In memory of Barry and our parents

Ruth McLaughlin ~ In loving memory of Frank and Paul McLaughlin,
Donald Deacon, Doris and Browning Deacon, Emlee and Frank McLaughlin

Jane Romanowski ~ In memory of Janine Kleber

Jackie & King Sparks ~ In memory of our many loved ones

Holy Innocents' Choir ~ In memory of Barbara Wheeler





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