

Disciples making Disciples for Jesus Christ:
By Encountering God, Equipping God's People,
and Extending God's Kingdom



Christ Episcopal Church

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER DAY

April 1, 2018

Celebration of Holy Eucharist



WELCOME GUESTS!

Christ Episcopal Church is a Christ-centered, joy-filled community that is blessed by your presence. Be assured that no matter who you are or where you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome here.

Please fill out a Pew Card and hand it to one of the clergy or Ushers on your way out, which will enable us to be in touch with you. The first-floor of Christ Church is handicapped-accessible.

We hope you will join us again for worship on Sundays at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. JOY!, and 10:00 a.m. Coffee, snacks and fellowship are offered after each Sunday Eucharist, and guests are particularly welcome.

Nursery Care is offered Sundays from 9:30 a.m. till 11:30 a.m.

On a typical Sunday, Adult education begins at 9 a.m. Sundays in the Guilds Room. Sunday School for grades K-12 begins at 10:00 a.m. downstairs in the Zone.

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 207

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

Evan Pillow, *trumpet*

sung by all, standing

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

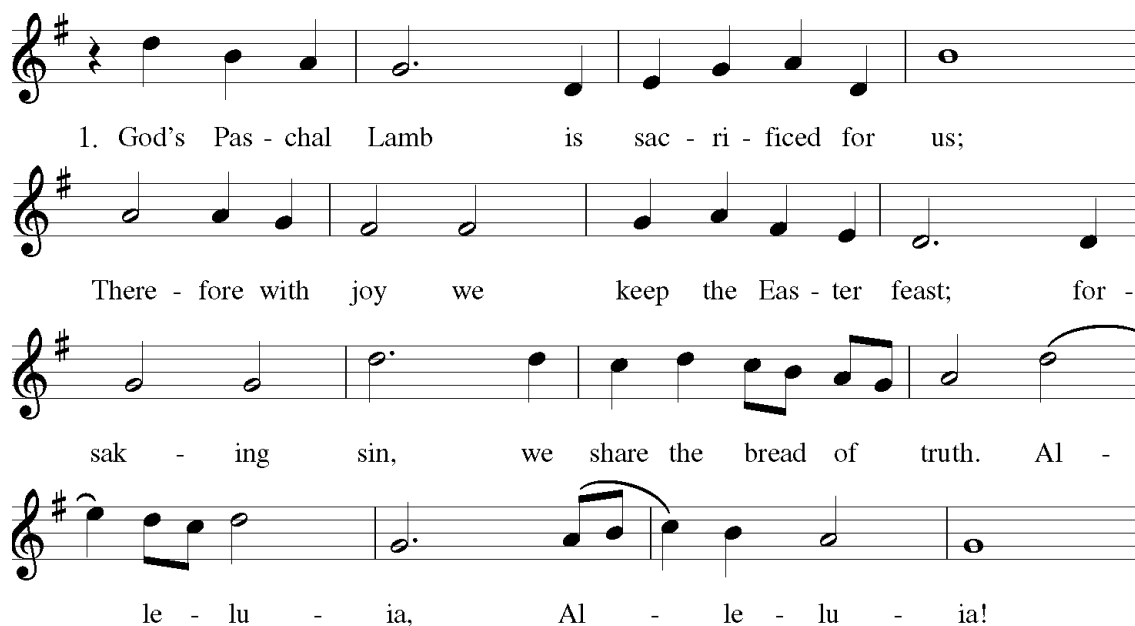
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA HYMN WLP-880, V. 1

GOD'S PASCHAL LAMB

sung by all, standing

During the following Hymn parishioners are invited to ring the bells.



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118: 15-29

sung by all at 10 am, seated

Initial phrase

Descant

I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

(Ped.)

*Can be used as a passing note when returning to singing a verse of the psalm.

Concluding phrase

I know, I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

Psalm Tone A

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–99

Tune: DUKE STREET, attr. John C. Hatton, d. 1793

Setting: Donald Rotermund

Psalm Tone: Paul G. Bunjes, 1914–98, © 1982 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved.

Antiphon: Initial phrase

- 15 Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the | righteous.*
 “The right hand of the LORD does | valiantly,
16 the right hand of the | LORD exalts,*
 the right hand of the LORD does | valiantly!”
17 I shall not die, but | I shall live,*
 and recount the deeds | of the LORD.
18 The LORD has disciplined me se- | verely,*
 but he has not given me o- | ver to death.
19 Open to me the gates of | righteousness,*
 that I may enter through them and give thanks | to the LORD.

(Refrain: Initial phrase)

- 20 This is the gate | of the LORD;*
 the righteous shall enter | through it.
21 I thank you that you have | answered me*
 and have become my sal- | vation.
22 The stone that the builders re- | jected*
 has become the | cornerstone.
23 This is the LORD’s | doing,*
 it is marvelous | in our eyes.
24 This is the day that the | LORD has made,*
 let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

(Refrain: Initial phrase)

- 25 Save us, we pray, | O LORD!*
 O LORD, we pray, give | us success!
26 Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!*
 We bless you from the house | of the LORD.
27 The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine up- | on us.*
 Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the | altar!
28 You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you,*
 you are my God; I will ex- | tol you.
29 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;*
 for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

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

Antiphon: Concluding phrase

SECOND READING**1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

During the singing of the next Hymn, children come forward and place flowers into the cross. Younger children can be assisted by parents.

GOSPEL HYMN 188**LOVE'S REDEEMING WORK IS DONE***sung by all standing***THE GOSPEL****Mark 16:1-8***before the Gospel*

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

after the Gospel

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Thomas E Mathews Jr.

HYMN

“When You Believe”
sung by the Jubilation Choir

by Stephen Schwartz

THE NICENE CREED

said by all, standing

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are offering weekly birthday blessings and monthly anniversary blessings (first Sunday of the Month).

THE HOLY COMMUNION

CHOIR ANTHEM

“The Festal Day is Here”

arr. Hopson

The bread and wine are brought forward first. The offering plates are then circulated during the anthem.

Living generously is a major part of discipleship, and we thank you for giving back to God through the parish ministry of Christ Church.

PRESENTATION HYMN 296

WE KNOW THAT CHRIST IS RAISED AND DIES NO MORE

standing, sung by all

The financial offering is brought forward by the ushers during the final verse of the hymn.

SURSUM CORDA, S-120, *standing*

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him 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 this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS, S-125

sung by all

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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

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."

<i>Celebrant</i>	Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
<i>Celebrant and People</i>	Christ has died.
	Christ has risen.
	Christ will come again.

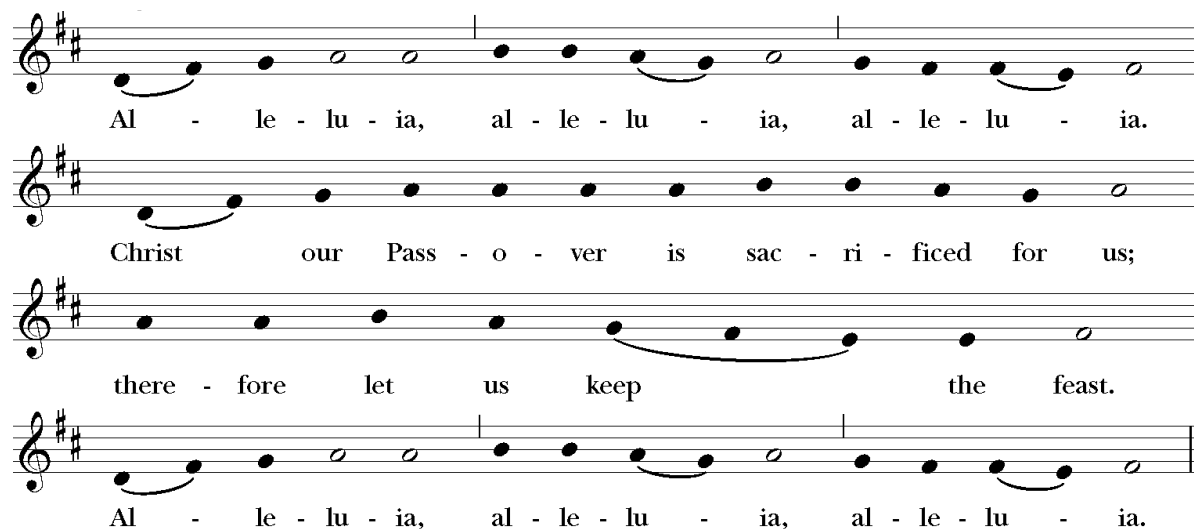
Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

<i>Celebrant</i>	And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
<i>People</i>	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



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AT THE COMMUNION

All who wish to receive Jesus in the sacrament of his Body and Blood are invited to do so.

Receive the Bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. (Gluten-free wafers are available; tell the Celebrant if you prefer that.) Receive the Wine, which follows, either by drinking from the chalice as it is extended to you, or by touching the wafer lightly to the wine.

If you would prefer a blessing instead of communion, please come to the altar at the same time. You may indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over the chest. When you return to your seats, please take a few moments to reflect on the gifts you have received.

Laying on of Hands for healing is available for everyone (at the 10 am service) who wishes it during Communion to the right of the altar. A member of our prayer ministry is available to pray with you during the distribution of Communion. The lay minister will pray in the ancient way, laying hands on your head and speaking an intercessor's prayer on your behalf.

The Bread and the Cup are giving to the communicants with these words

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

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

SOLO

"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"

G. F. Handel

Marlene Whittemore, *soprano*Paris Simms, *accompaniment*

FIRST COMMUNION HYMN 204

NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISETH

sung by all, seated

SECOND COMMUNION HYMN 304

I COME WITH JOY TO MEET MY LORD

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

said by all, standing

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

MISSIONAL HYMN 192

THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE

sung by all, standing

Evan Pillow, *trumpet*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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