

# EASIFI Sunday

HE IS RISEN

MARCH 31, 2024 10:30AM | HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

#### **WELCOME**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN | 207

Jesus Christ is risen today



Celebrant *People* 

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

#### **GLORIA | S-278**



#### COLLECT

**The Lord be with you. People**And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to 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 your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO FOLLOW THE CRUCIFER TO GODLY PLAY IN THE CHILDREN'S CHAPEL.

FIRST READING Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of Hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### THE RESPONSE

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Confitemini Domino

- 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.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# **SEQUENCE HYMN | 210**

The day of resurrection

(Sequence lyrics on next page)



# **GREAT ALLELUIA | S-70**



**Gospeler** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8

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.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**SERMON** 

The Rev. David R. Williams, Rector Emeritus

#### THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

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

**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.

#### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you. **People And also with you.** 

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Form III BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively

**Reader** Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

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

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

**Reader** We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

**Reader** 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.

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

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

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

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

**Reader** Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

**Reader** We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **People** May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

**Reader** 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.

#### TRANSITION PRAYER FOR HOLY COMFORTER

Ever-present God,

You call us on a journey to a place we do not know.

We are not where we started.

We have not reached our destination.

We are not sure where we are or who we are.

Transition is not a comfortable place.

May we continue to remind ourselves of the wonderful resources of this Church Sanctuary and a warm and welcoming congregation.

Be among us, we pray.

Calm our fears, save us from discouragement.

Encourage us to care for one another.

And help us to stay on course.

Open our hearts to your guidance so that our journey toward calling a new Rector continues as a journey of trust, and faith and love. **Amen** 

#### THE PEACE

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

People And also with you.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

Alleluia Randall Thompson

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharist Prayer D BCP 372

The people remain standing.

**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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

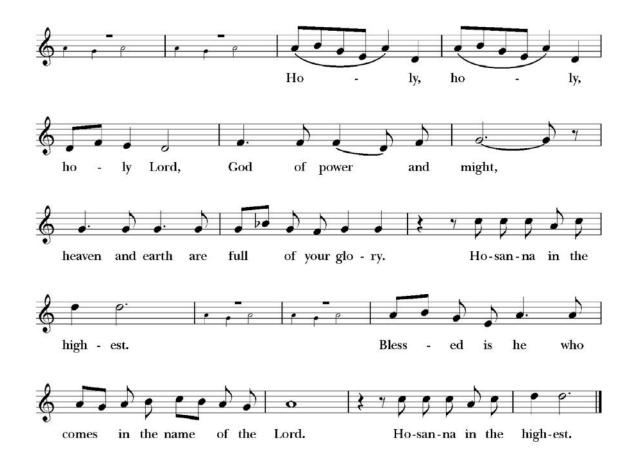
It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

# SANCTUS | S-128

(Sanctus lyrics on next page)



The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

# Celebrant and People We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

#### The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Sam and Jennifer, our Bishops, and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Athanasius and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 336

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

# Officiant and People

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

BCP 337

The Officiant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept The choir will immediately sing the fraction anthem.

#### FRACTION ANTHEM | S-155



Facing the people, the Officiant says the following Invitation.

The Gifts of God, for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Persons wanting a blessing instead of receiving bread or wine at the Altar may cross their arms over their chest.

#### **COMMUNION ANTHEM**

Since by Man Came Death

George Friedrich Handel

Since by man came death,

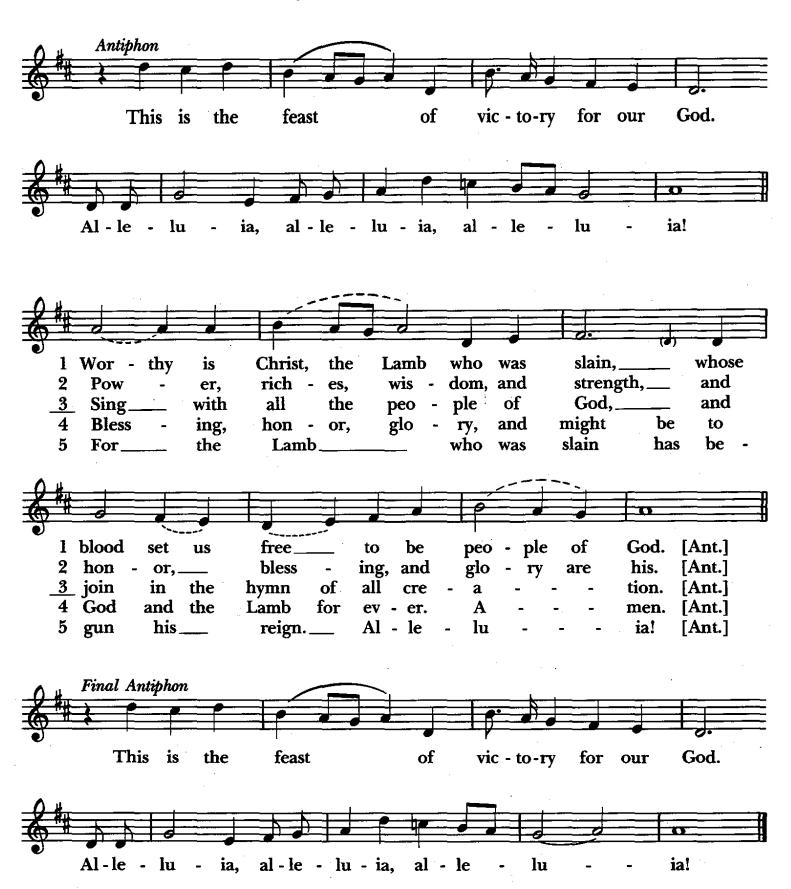
By man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die.

Even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

(Communion Hymns on next two pages)



178 | Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord



# **Celebrant and People**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### AN EASTER BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.** 

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.** 

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **RECESSIONAL**

Hallelujah Chorus

George Friedrich Handel

(lyrics on the next few pages)

#### **DISMISSAL**

**Celebrant** Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### **POSTLUDE**

Carillon de Westminster Louis Vierne

### HALLELUJAH CHORUS

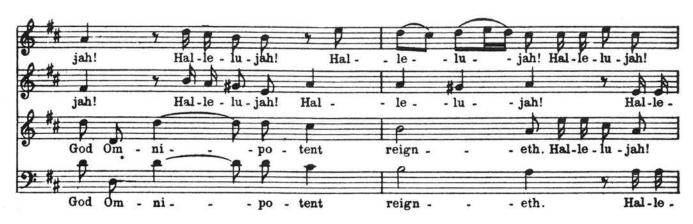




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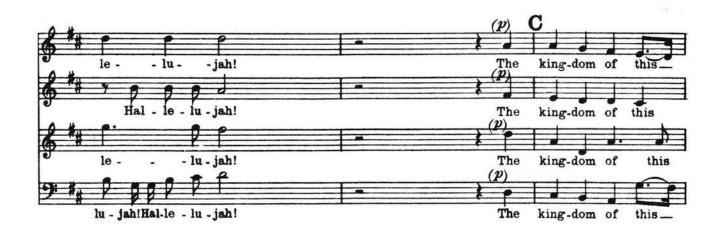
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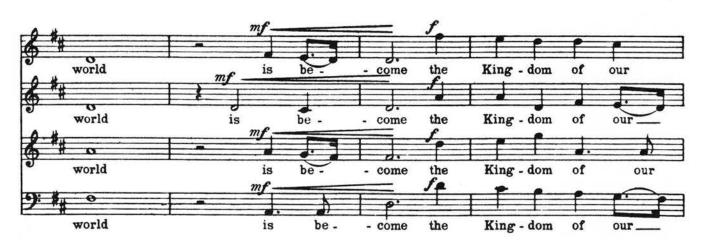
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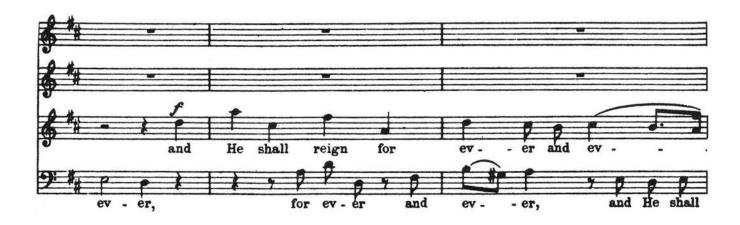


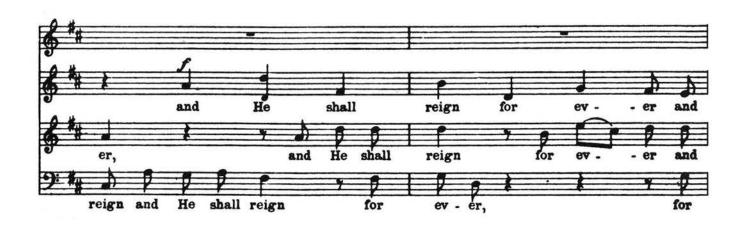














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