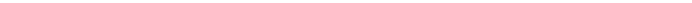


April 20, 2014
Easter Sunday
10:00 am



The Festival of the Resurrection

We gather together this morning to celebrate the resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ. A number of elements return to our service after being absent for the five weeks of Lent. The “Alleluias” and the “Glory to God” return—so let them ring out in praise! Because we did not hold an Easter Vigil service, at which time the Easter (or Paschal) candle is traditionally lit, the candle, with the new light of Christ, is brought into the church in celebration to begin our service. The candle is lit for services from now until Pentecost.

WELCOMING THE EASTER CANDLE

The ministers gather at the back of the church.

Christ yesterday and today, **the beginning and the end,**
Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages;
to him be glory and power, through every age and for ever. Amen.

The lit Easter Candle is brought in:

Alleluia. Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised gloriously from the dead, crushing the power of sin and destroying the sting of death. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to share in his marvellous light. May we, and all Christ’s people, shine as lights in the world to the glory of God.

The Candle is processed in:

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Sung three times while the Easter Candle moves to the front of the church. All other candles in the church are lit from the Easter Candle.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

May his grace and peace be with you. **May he fill our hearts with joy**

Processional Hymn #203 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

The children are invited to follow the choir forward to decorate the cross with daffodils. The children remain at the front for the children's talk.

The Collect

Let us pray that we may walk the risen life of Christ in glory.

Lord of life and power, **through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

New Testament Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: '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.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24, BAS page 866

Gradual Hymn #224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

The Easter Gospel: John 20:1-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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 towards 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 round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' 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.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Prayers of the People

Peace

Alleluia. Christ has been raised from the dead.

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn #221 Alleluia, Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Prayer over the Gifts:

Eternal God, **your only Son** suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. **Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving # 3 BAS pg. 198

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord we died with you on the cross. **Now we are raised to new life.**
We were buried in your tomb. **Now we share in your resurrection.**
Live in us, **that we may live in you.**

Agnus Dei (Sung)

**Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

Communion

All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Anthem: "He is Risen" by Craig Courtney

Prayer after Communion

God of life, **bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

Recessional Hymn #211 Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world – rejoicing in the Risen Christ!
Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Postlude: Toccata Symphony No. 5 from Widor

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of West Africa and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Dibo Elango.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. James, Calgary and their clergy, The Rev. Arthur Sheffield and The Rev. Derwyn Costinak.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St. Peter, and St. Luke.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Olive Holgate, Jocelyn Hutchinson, Allan Knobbe, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Doug, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Linda Greene, Maria Dalla Costa, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Shelley, Alison James, Julianne Hendrickson, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Eileen Williams, Andrew Howe.
- We remember wife June and family on the passing of Mervin Wolfleg this past week.
- We remember Phyllis McNally's family this week on her passing. Funeral service will be held at St. Peter's on Monday, April 21st at 10:00 am.

Mary Westell is warden on duty today.

8:00 am (Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Lay Reader: Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Celebrant: The Rev. Christine Conkin

Deacon: The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson

Lay Reader: Lorraine Grant

Organist: Chris Fullerton

A special thank you to our trumpeter this morning, Mr. Ken Laing.

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