## ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Easthampton, MA 01027

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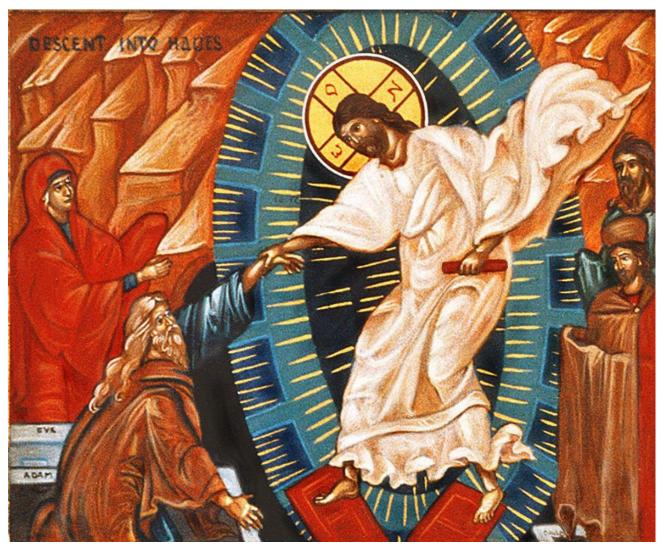


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## CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

# Easter Day

20 April 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

Prelude: "Trumpet Tune" Robin Dinda

"Be Thou My Vision" traditional Irish tune "Slane" Clare Bullock Boyd, cello arr. Christina Harmon

Easter Proclamation from Easter Homily St. John Chrysostom

If any be a devout lover of God,
let him partake with gladness from this fair and radiant feast.

If any be a faithful servant, let him enter rejoicing into the joy of his Lord.

If any have wearied him with fasting, let him now enjoy his reward.

If any have labored from the first hour, let him receive today his rightful due.

If any have come after the third, let him celebrate the feast with thankfulness.

If any have arrived after the sixth [hour], let him not be in doubt, for he will suffer no loss.

If any have delayed until the ninth, let him not hesitate but draw near.

If any have arrived only at the [last hour], let him not be afraid because he comes so late.

For the Master is generous and accepts the last even as the first.

[The Lord] gives rest to [the one] who comes at the eleventh hour in the same way as to [the one] who has labored from the first.

He accepts the deed, and commends the intention.

Enter then, all of you, into the joy of our Lord...

The Table is fully laden: let all enjoy it.

The calf is fatted: let none go away hungry.

Let none lament his poverty; for the universal Kingdom is revealed.

Let none bewail his transgressions; for the light of forgiveness has risen from the tomb.

Let none fear death; for the death of the Savior has set us free.

He has destroyed death by undergoing death. He has despoiled hell by descending into hell... [Hell] received a body, and encountered God. It received earth, and confronted heaven.

O death, where is thy sting? O hell, where is thy victory?

Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen... Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice.

Christ is risen, and life reigns in freedom.

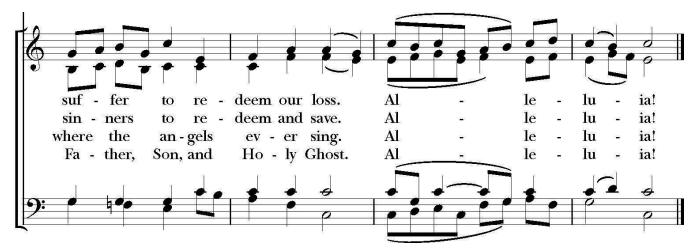
Christ is risen, and there is none left dead in the tomb.

For Christ, being raised from the dead, has become the first-fruits of those that slept.

To him be glory and dominion to the ages of ages. Amen.

St. John Chrysostom (349 - 407 A.D.)





Words: Latin, 14th cent.; tr. Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt. St. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: Easter Hymn, from Lyra Davidica, 1708; adapt. The Compleat Psalmodist, 1749, alt., desc. Hymns Ancient and Modern, Revised, 1950 Copyright © Hymns Ancient and Modern Limited. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

## **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

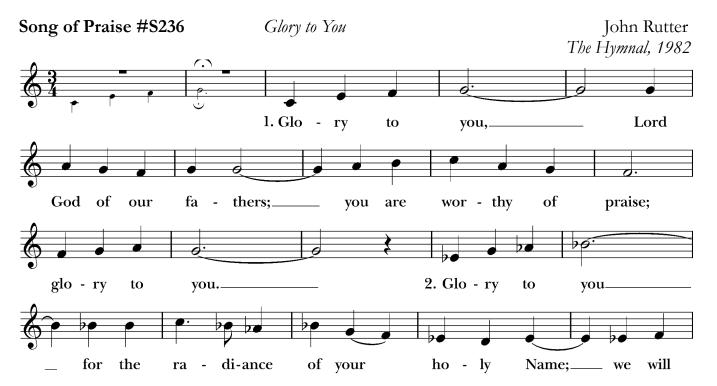
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

After the long season of Lent and for the first time in 40 days, we rejoice to proclaim: "Alleluia!" meaning, "Praise the Lord!"

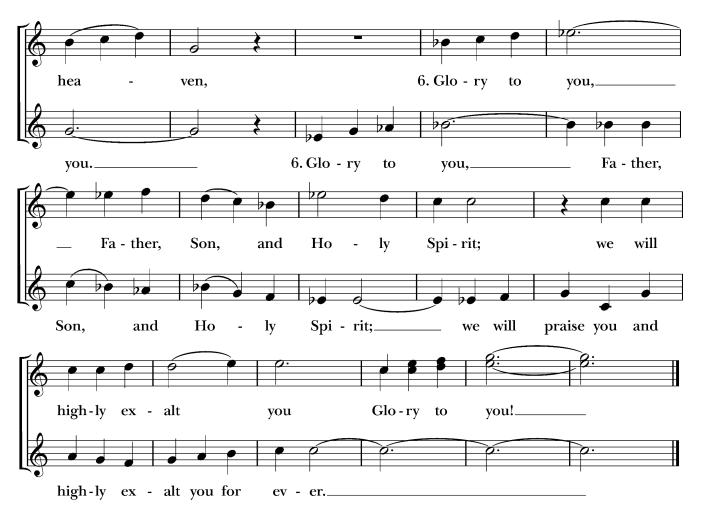
### The Collect for Purity

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

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*.







Music: John Rutter (b. 1945). Copyright © 1985 Oxford University Press, Inc.

## The Collect for Easter Day

Celebrant 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.** 

THE YOUTH EASTER CHOIR

"Easter Carol"

John Holler

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE LESSONS:

First Lesson:

Isaiah 65:17-25

Deborah Murray Hrubesh, Lector

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and

another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord – and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent – its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

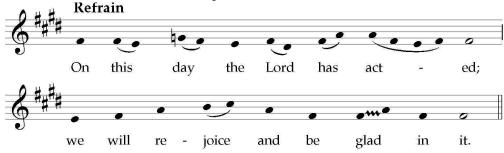
Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept for a time. Then the People offer the Psalm.

The congregation will sing the Refrain. The cantors and choir will sing the verses.

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.

## Refrain

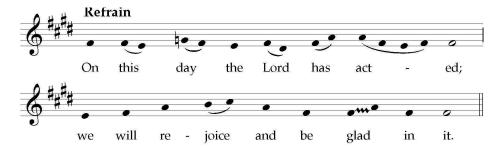
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \* in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \* the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

## Refrain

- 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."

## Refrain

- 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.



The New Testament:

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Henry Reeves, Lector

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also

come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept for a time. Then at the organ's introduction the following hymn is offered. All STAND.



**The Gospel:** Luke 24:1-12 The Rev. Michael A. Bullock

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man

must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People SIT.

The Sermon The Rev. Michael A. Bullock

Reflection time is taken. Then at the Celebrant's invitation, the People STAND to recite the Creed.

## The Nicene Creed

from Enriching Our Worship

Officiant: WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD,
People: 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,

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.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

Who 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.

As a physical sign that we have been raised with Christ (and for those who are able), we employ the ancient custom of STANDING for ALL prayers during Eastertide.

### The Prayers of the People

Deborah Murray Hrubesh, Intercessor

Intercessor: God of the bright and morning star,

God of the rising sun,

God of darkness banished,

People: we praise and worship you!

For empty tombs: thank you!

For disciples running with good news: thank you!

For your presence, alive, powerful, resurrected: thank you!

We celebrate your victory over death,

over all the powers that would defeat us.

Help us to grasp resurrection;

to understand its power,

to see its force at work in our world,

overturning evil empires,

changing the hatred within us,

moving the world slowly, forcefully,

bending us towards love and truth.

On this day of great gladness empower us to be your ambassadors, proclaiming good news.

Good news in our kitchens and living rooms, good news in the offices and workshops good news in the fields and factories

Help us to be that good news,

walking softly on this good earth caring gently for all people, living hopefully into your kingdom.

Today we think of all who are grieving, especially...

[name those who are grieving]

and for the sick and dying....

[name those who are ill]

for places in the world that are torn by war and bloodshed. We particularly lift up the peoples and nations of Gaza; Israel; Sudan; Ukraine; Yemen.

In this world of broken hopes and dreams we catch sight of your kingdom come, in the person of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns in us forever. Amen.

Carole Penner, posted on her Leading in Worship

The service continues with The Peace. The People remain STANDING.

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

#### **Easter Chrismation**

Remembering how on Ash Wednesday we received the sign of the cross with ashes and these words:

"Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return",
on this Easter Day we share the legacy of New Life, being marked with the Cross of Christ's resurrection.

At the Celebrant's direction, the chrism [the holy oil] is administered from individual to individual with these words:

REMEMBER THAT GOD'S LOVE IS STRONGER THAN DEATH AND TO THAT LOVE YOU ARE RETURNED.

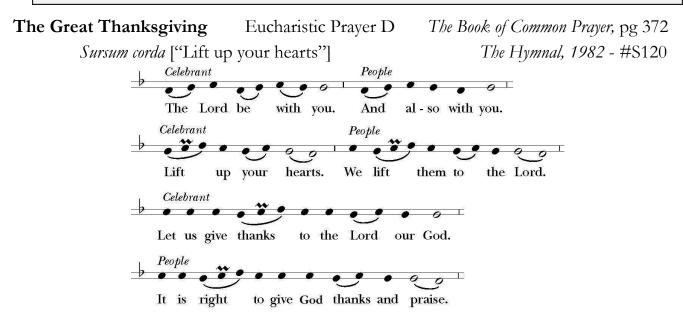
**Offertory Music** 

"We Will Be Merry, Far and Wide" Choir Singers

Michael Praetorius

## THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

Adapted from the Liturgy of St. Basil [d. 379], Communion Prayer D was included in the 1979 Prayer Book by virtue of its widespread use in the larger church – both east and west; its ancient roots; and its broad, biblical scope. Consequently, Prayer D is the prayer we at St. Philip's use at our "festival" occasions of worship.

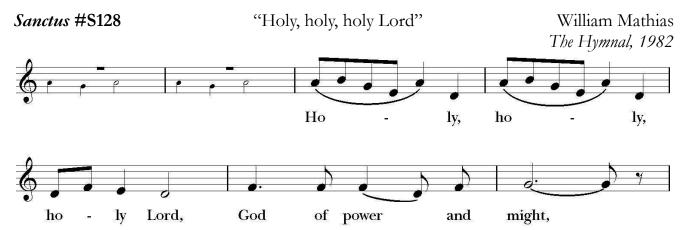


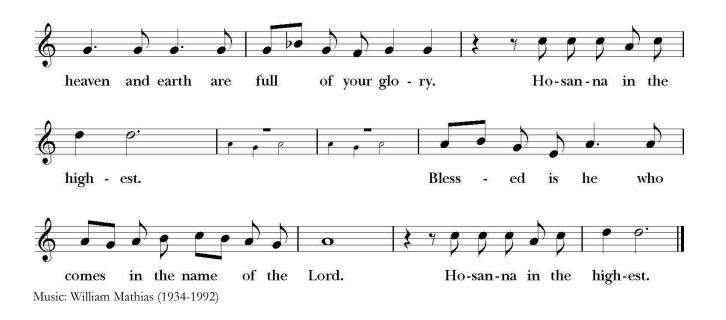
The Celebrant proceeds.

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,





Throughout the 50 Days of Eastertide, we will participate in the ancient Christian tradition of **STANDING FOR ALL PRAYERS**, as a visible and outward sign that we are raised with Christ.

The People STAND (as they are able).

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 all who minister in your Church, especially our bishop, Doug, Michael, our priest, and all the people of St. Philip's that we may be strengthened daily to reflect the life and hope of Christ.

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 St. Philip 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.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

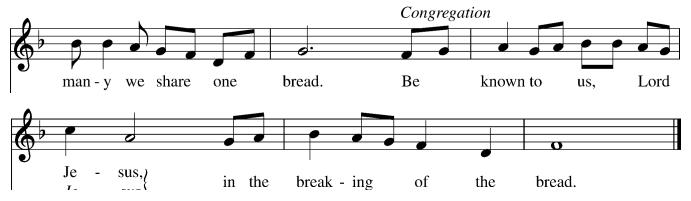
Our Father in Heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

## The Breaking of the Bread: The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. At the organist's introduction, the People then sing the 'Fraction Anthem."





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#### The Invitation to Communion

All those who hunger for the God-life revealed in Jesus are welcome to receive at this altar.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

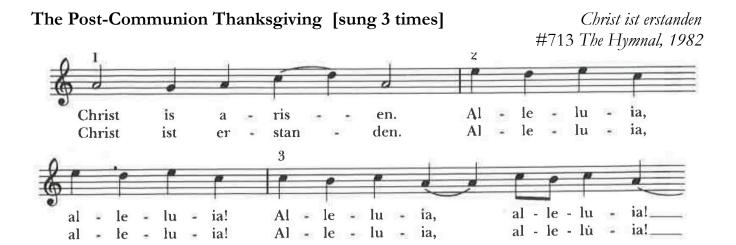
If reception in the pew is required, please notify an usher and the Sacrament will be brought to you.

If you choose not to receive from the common cup, please reverently hold the chalice's base and acknowledge "the blood of Christ."

**Communion Music** 

"Humbly I Adore Thee" Ivy Coles, soloist Adoro devote, arr. Mark Schweizer

In celebrating our Lord's resurrection, one custom that St. Philip's employs is to sing our "Post-Communion Thanksgiving". Using what possibly is the oldest German liturgical song and found in our *Hymnal 1982, Christ ist erstanden* is a chant version of the 12<sup>th</sup> century song. For Easter Day and throughout the Fifty Days of Eastertide, we sing it three times as a joyous and public proclamation, a way both to conclude our worship and re-enter the world beyond our walls.





Words: German, ca. 1529, adapt.

Music: Christ is arisen, Richard Rudolf Klein (b. 1921); based on the chorale Christ ist erstanden

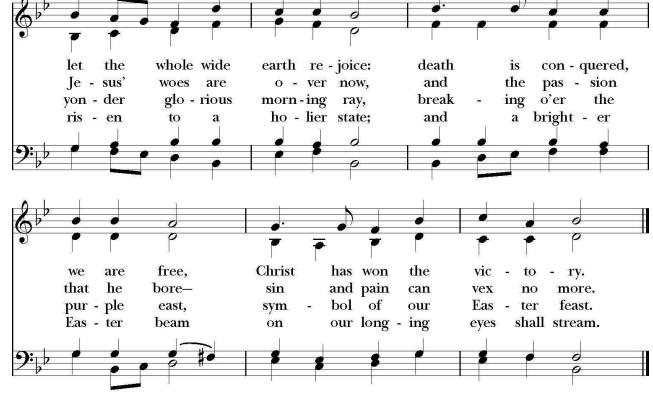
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The People remain STANDING for the Blessing.

## **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.** 





Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: Unser Herrscher, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Rondeau Jean Joseph Mouret

## Be Careful: IF YOU COME HERE YOU WILL GROW

## **Prayer List**

Mary R., Alice R., Mary, Cathy, John B., Marilyn, Josh, Deborah H., Kevin C., Andy G., Frank, Robbie, and Shawn Please keep in your prayers all of the community groups that use our facility during the week.

## **Birthdays**

Melissa R  $\sim$  Apr 20 Ann Marie C  $\sim$  Apr 22

#### **Announcements**

April 20, 2025

#### **TODAY'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

The Rev. Michael A. Bullock, Celebrant, Preacher

David Brown, Verger/Crucifer Deborah Murray Hrubesh, Henry

Reeves, Lectors

Deborah Murray Hrubesh, Intercessor Karen Banta, Organist & Choir Director

St. Philip's Choir Singers

Fran Kidder, Lay Eucharistic Minister

Joan & Dave Haines, Ushers

Steve Taylor, Tech Minister

Elizabeth McAnulty, Susan Sachs, Deborah Murray Hrubesh, David

Brown, Glee Miner, Altar Guild

#### YOUTH EASTER CHOIR

Bea Boyd Jolene Darby Una Boyd

#### **CHOIR SINGERS**

Stephen Bailey Susan May
Clare Bullock Boyd Janet Couch
Elizabeth McAnulty Henry Reeves
Emma Coles Ilya Parker
Ivy Coles Marilyn Mooers
Cecilia Darby Emily-Anne Cartledge

#### **INSTRUMENTALISTS**

Stephen Bailey, flugelhorn and guitar Clare Bullock Boyd, cello Dan Lombardo, timpani and percussion

#### **MUSIC NOTES**

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## NO SUNDAY SCHOOL today.

# **ST. PHILIP'S OFFERS COMPLINE ON FACEBOOK** Sunday through Friday at 8 pm. Please join us!

**SUNDAY LECTIONARY STUDY GROUP meets on Zoom every Sunday** at 8:15 a.m.. The gathering of the curious and the prepared reads, reviews, and discusses the scripture lessons that will be offered in the day's liturgy. The link will be printed in the bulletin announcement in the NOW. Please join us in what has always been a lively and helpful discussion.

# TO JOIN SUNDAY SERVICE &/or LECTIONARY STUDY:

The Sunday Service is on live-streamed on our website:

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Lectionary Study is on Zoom:

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## Easter Flower Memorials and Thanksgivings

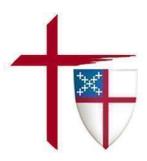
## In Memory of ...

- ...Jonathan Richardson (Alice Richardson)
- ...Irl C. & Ruby W. Brown, Irl K. & Winifred S. Brown, Irl K. Brown Jr., Sharon P. Brown, Sandi H. Brown, Frank & Ellen Stringfellow, F. William Stringfellow (*David Brown*)
- ...Barbara Weeks, Audrey Merrill, Paul Marianella (Bob & Glee Miner)
- ...Barbara Weeks, Katie Gress, Chris Sanborn (Julie Flahive)
- ... Hilary Shaw, Christopher Shaw, Lyle Shaw (Robert B. Shaw)
- ...the deceased members of the Pollard and Rubeck families (Mary P. Rubeck & family)
- ...Barbara Weeks, Chris Sanborn, Bonnie Pelland (Susan Sachs)
- ...Marie DeSpelder Banta, Robert D. Banta, Mary Vasques Lombardo, Vincent Lombardo and Dino F. Ciaburri, Jr. (Karen Banta & Dan Lombardo)

## Thanksgivings for ...

- ...our move to Easthampton and for our parents (Thad Bennett & George Connell)
- ...the St. Philip's Community, Karen Banta and the members of the choir (Julie Flahive)





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