

# Easter Sunday

April 17, 2022

Holy Eucharist 9:30<sup>AM</sup>



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IS  
RISEN

## St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Rev. Mary B. Gregorius, Rector

## ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR HOLY EUCHARIST

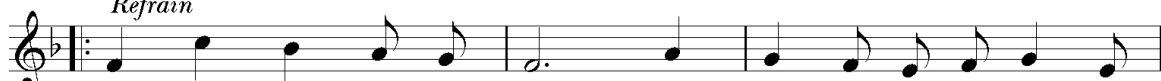
### PRELUDE

✦ Please stand as you are able and join in singing:

### THE PROCESSION #175

“Hail the Festival Day!”

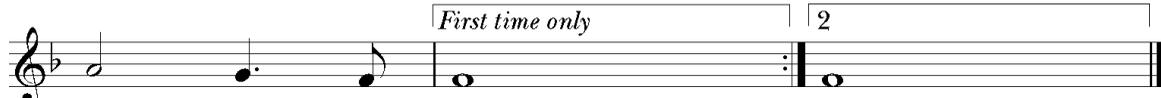
*Refrain*



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for -



ev - er, day where - on Christ a - rose, break - ing the



king - dom of death. death.



1 Lo, the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the  
3 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the  
5 God the cre - a - tor, the Lord, who — rul - est the  
7 Spi - rit of life and of power, now — flow in us,



win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good  
glo - ry of blos - som; hea - ven her  
earth and the hea - vens, guard us from  
fount of our be - ing, light that dost



gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:  
 gates un - bars, fling - ing her in - crease of light:  
 harm with - out, cleanse us from e - vil with - in:  
 light - en all, life that in all dost a - bide:



2 He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and the  
 4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art au - thor of  
 6 Je - sus the health of the world, en - light - en our  
 8 Praise to the Giv - er of good! Thou Love who art



ru - ler of na - ture; all things cre - a - ted on  
 life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of  
 minds, thou Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -  
 au - thor of con - cord, pour out thy balm on our



earth sing to the glo - ry of God:  
 death, life thou be - stow - est on all:  
 preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God:  
 souls, or - der our ways in thy peace:

*The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.*

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); tr. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt. Music: *Salve festa dies*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)  
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## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

# GLORIA

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### 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.

**People:** Amen.

✠ *Please be seated for The Lessons.*

### THE LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

*Read by: Elaina Veitz*

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.

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24 *Confitemini Domino*

*Led by Elaina Veitz*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord who is good; \*  
the mercy of the Lord endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
"The mercy of the Lord endures for ever."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The mighty hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the mighty hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the mighty 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 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; \*  
those who are righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to the Lord who answered me \*  
and has 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: Acts 10:34-43

*Read by: Elaina Veitz*

Peter began to talk to Cornelius and the others: "I understand now that God doesn't see differences between people like we do. Everyone who believes in God and does what is right, no matter who they are or where they are from, is acceptable to God. The message sent to the people of Israel—that Jesus is Lord of all—has now spread throughout the world. The message began with God anointing Jesus with the Holy Spirit. Then Jesus went about doing good and healing people because God was with him. We all witnessed him doing that wherever he went. They killed him, but God raised him up on the third day. And after that we saw him alive, and even ate and drank with him. The risen Jesus told us it was our job to tell people what we'd seen and heard, and to let people know that he was God's appointed one. Everyone who believes in him will be forgiven in his name."

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

✕ *Please stand as you are able and join in singing:*

SEQUENCE HYMN

*Celtic Alleluia*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_

The image shows two staves of musical notation for a Celtic Alleluia. The first staff is in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time, with lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!'. The second staff continues the melody, also in G major and 6/8 time, with lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_'. The notation includes various note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12

Deacon: 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.

Deacon:           The Gospel of our Lord.

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

✠ *Please be seated for:*

THE SERMON

The Rev. Mary B. Gregorius

✠ *Please stand as you are able and say:*

THE NICENE CREED

**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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM III)

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.**

*Silence*

We pray for those who are in the hospital or home recuperating, especially: **Susan Matsen, Tom Acheson, Frederic, Peter, Bob Gowen, Yumi, Ronald Garvey, Max, Anne, Cathy, Barbara, Howard Flemming, Ellie Ruvo, Rosemary Recine, Robert Lynch, Joe Smith, and Angela Carrozzo**

We pray for those who are homebound: **Esmerilda Hastings, Margaret Vaccaro, Lee Williams, Dorothy Dushin, Roberta Darrigrand; Jim, Marge, Deanna Ammirato , and Bill & Dorothy D'Amato.**

We pray for those for whom our prayers are asked, especially: **Hudson Beauregard, Liz & Jeff Daniele, Andrew Tom, Rebecca, Vince Servio, Sarah Paruolo, Annaliese Haag, Gerald, Marilyn Griffin, Paul Ruvo, Helene, Jason, Peter, Hannelore, Marina Brandt, Linda Hill, Carol White, Steven Schubert, Jeff and The Rt. Rev Andrew St. John**

We pray for **Edwin Sanchez and the students at El Hogar School, and the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem.**

We pray for those who have died, especially the 6 million world wide and over 960,000 in this country who have died from COVID-19

*Silence*

*Officiant:* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

✠ *Please greet one another gracefully and with masks on*

THE PEACE

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

People: **And also with you.**

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. (*Ephesians 5:2*)

✘ *Please stand as you are able and join in singing:*

### THE OFFERTORY HYMN #194

“Jesus lives!”



1 Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er, death, ap -  
2 Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to Je - sus  
3 Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall  
4 Je - sus lives! to him the throne o - ver all the world is

pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know thou, O  
liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide, glo - ry  
sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us  
giv - en: may we go where he has gone, rest and

grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!  
to our Sa - vior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!  
reign with him in hea - ven. Al - le - lu - ia!

### THE DOXOLOGY:

*Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, you heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

*In this prayer, the lines in bold are spoken by the People*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

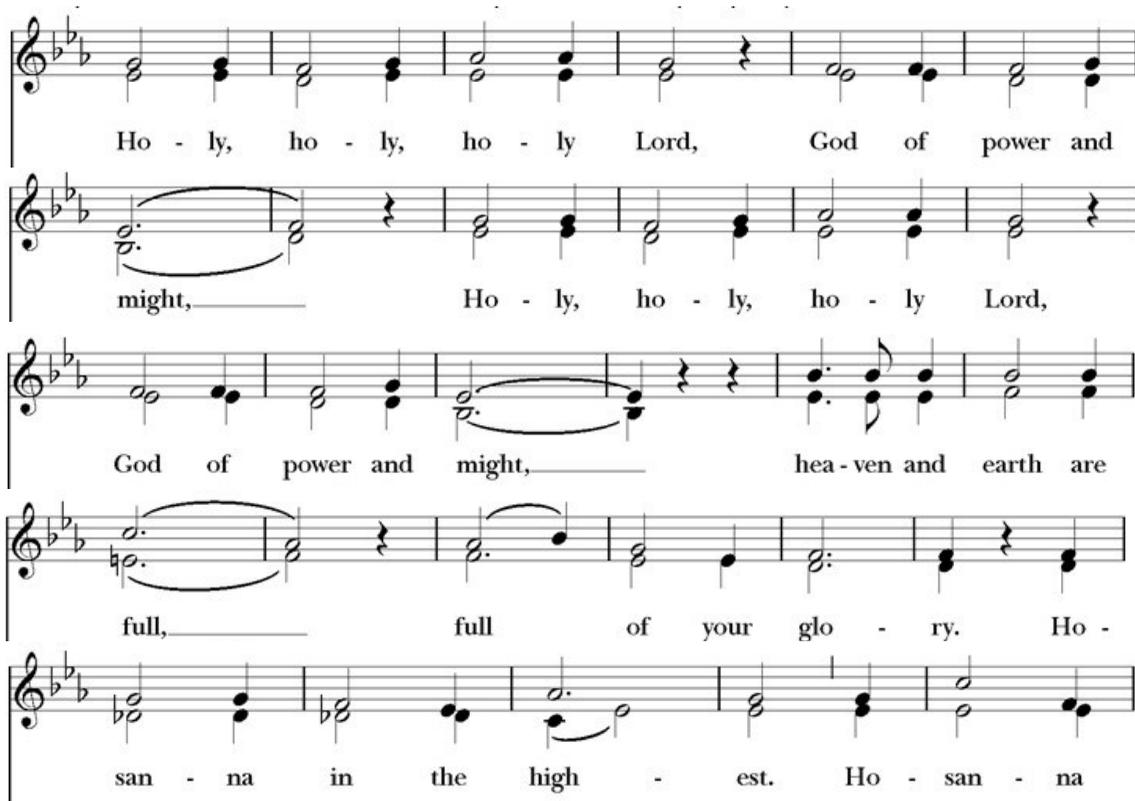
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Priest inserts Proper Preface*

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:

*Celebrant and People*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed 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 Continues*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Chris has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant Continues*

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

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**All: 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.**

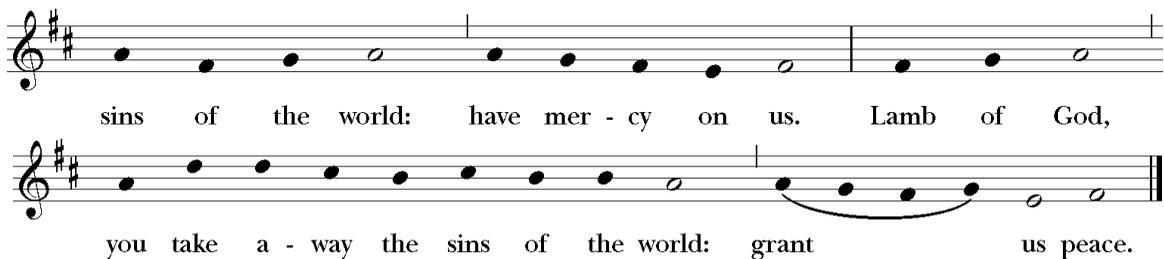
### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

### ANGUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: 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.

## THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Sung by: **Angela Berg**

“Every Morning is Easter”; *Avery and Marsh*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All:** **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.**

## THE BLESSING

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

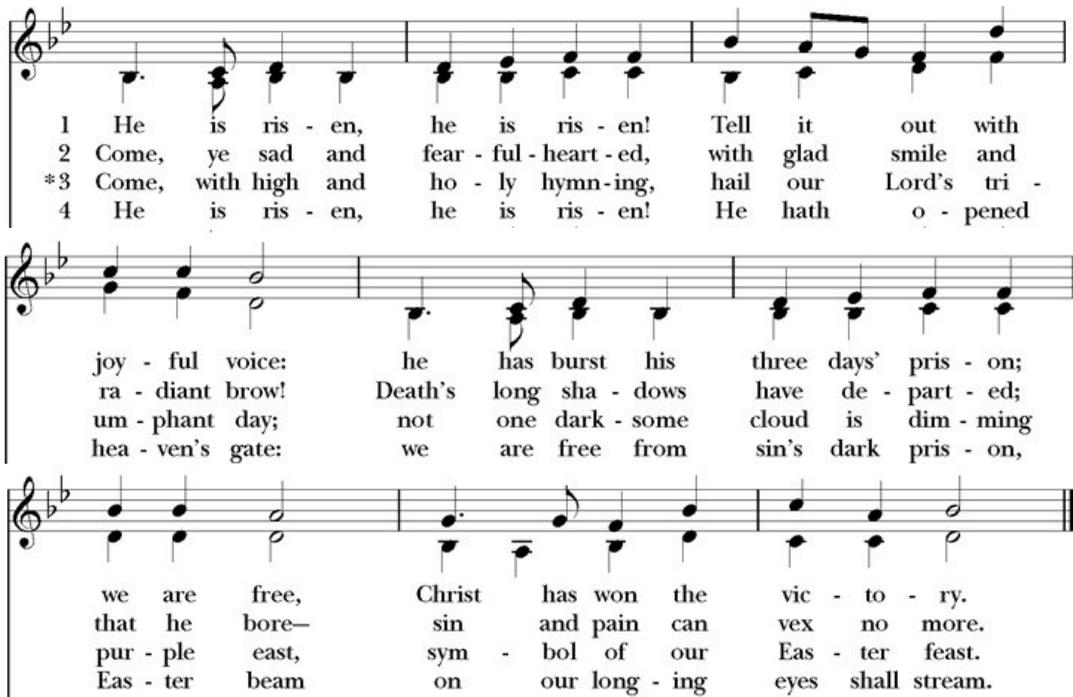
May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

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

✠ *Please join in singing:*

## THE CLOSING HYMN #180

“He is Risen! He is Risen!”



1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with  
2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and  
\*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -  
4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;  
ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;  
um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming  
hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.  
that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.  
pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.  
Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

## **St. John's Easter Flowers 2022**

*To the Glory of God and for the following intentions:*

Thomas & Carol Acheson	In thanksgiving for family and friends
The Andreycak Family	In memory of Cathy Andreycak
Joyce Ballard & Ted McNitt	In thanksgiving for Colin and Quinn
Judy Blutreich	In memory of Russell and Helen Kempton
Patricia Conolly	In thanksgiving
Roberta Darrigrand	Happy Easter, Happy Spring to Everyone and Everything!
Demaree Family	In memory of Eleanor and Charles Schultz
DeWaters Family	In memory of Clare DeWaters
Foley Family	In memory of Alice and Russ, Eleanor and Ken
Hal & Mary Gregorius	In thanksgiving
Lucy & Steve Leety-Wheeler	Cherishing the memory of (Great Grandma) Jean Leety, (Grandma) Marge Wheeler and (Grandpa) Chuck Wheeler
Rosana Legaspi	In honor of the people of Ukraine
Mary Lincoln	In memory of Philip DeSimone and Florence DeSimone
Matt & Maria Ruvo	In thanksgiving for friends and family
Lynn & Peter Russell	In honor of Mother Mary+ and Deacon Lynn
Anne Seltzer	In thanksgiving for many happy years at St. John's
Joan Scire	In memory of Mimi Saraniti and Michael Scire
Laura Simpson	In memory of Jack Simpson
Ann & Lee Teich	In memory of Paul J. Vaccaro
Margaret Vaccaro	In memory of Lucille Vaccaro Rizzo and Paul Vaccaro
Lynn Werdal	In gratitude
Carol White	In thanksgiving
Raphael Wong	In memory of Susan Gowen
Wood Family	In memory of Gale "ZaZa" Swenson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EARTH DAY 24 APRIL 2022 INVITATION FROM EMMANUAL LUTHERAN:** Please join us for an exciting Earth Sunday on April 24th. Our Sunday services will be in solidarity with our neighboring churches and synagogues in Pleasantville. We celebrate the Earth Charter, comprised of sixteen principles that turn conscience into action. During regular services each participating house of worship will include a ritual gifting of a seedling between three generations to symbolize our role as stewards of creation. Later in the afternoon, let us join in a planting the saplings in the Village. See flyer on opposite page for more details.

**EDUCATE/VALIDATE PROGRAM** Join the Church of the Good Shepherd for this interfaith -inclusive series of four zoom seminars to help you better understand, love, and accept your LGBTQ+ family, friends, and neighbors. Program led by Julia Whalen (our own Megan's daughter!) and the Good Shepherd Vestry. Third Seminar April 24th 6:30 PM a story sharing and question/answer session with a panel from LGBTQ+ Community. Please see the website to register. <https://sites.google.com/view/educate-validate-program/home>

**YAI CENTRAL PARK CHALLENGE 4 JUNE 2022:** Donate, join a fundraising team or volunteer. Visit—[cpc2022.funraise.org](https://cpc2022.funraise.org) or contact Suzanne Cortese for more info

**THRIFT SHOP:** The thrift shop IS OPEN—Saturdays from 10:00-2:00. Come and see what is new. Volunteers can sign up using the Sign Up Genius. [Follow this link.](#)

**CONFIRMATION CLASS:** our next class is on April 26th at 5:45PM. Please contact Mother Mary+ for more information

**ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL IS IN SESSION:** St. John's On-line Sunday School lessons are on our [website](#) Contact Mother Mary+ if you want to be a storyteller!

**TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER 8:00AM** Please consider beginning your day in prayer together. ZOOM link in TW@SJ or [click here](#). Meeting ID 847 0590 3160

**THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY: 11:00AM;** Please consider joining us on zoom. Link in TW@SJ or [click here](#). Meeting ID 981708897

# Pleasantville Earth Day Interfaith Celebration

In Solidarity of Creation Care

**APR 24 / 1-2 PM**

 Lake Street (Near Pleasantville Pool)

*All are Welcome!*

**Join Congregations  
in Our Community  
for a Celebratory  
Planting of  
Saplings and More!**



*Refreshments served!*



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