



# Alleluia

EASTER DAY  
The Feast of the Resurrection

MARCH 31, 2024 - 11 AM

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED

## WELCOME!

We are glad you are with us today to share in the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. We worship God, rejoicing in the gift of new life and renewing our faith as we share in Christ's presence given to us in the sacrament of bread and wine. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are visiting, please complete a welcome card and place it in the offering plate or scan the QR code on the back of this bulletin. This service is offered by livestream for those who cannot assemble with us. Happy Easter!

## CHORAL EUCHARIST, RITE II

Service Music from *Missa Brevis*, Jonathan Dove (b. 1959), in Latin

*Today's rendition of this setting includes Jonathan Dove's additional brass and timpani parts, commissioned by Christ Church Christiana Hundred in 2022 in celebration of the 175th anniversary of our parish in 2023.*

**Voluntary** *Festive Music for Brass and Organ*

## Welcome and Announcements

### THE WORD OF GOD

*Please stand, as able, and sing*

**Entrance Hymn 207** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!*

(blue) Hymnal 1982

## Opening Acclamation

*Announced and repeated three times*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen!

*The People shout* ***The Lord is risen, indeed. Alleluia!***

*Remain standing as the Choir offers the ancient Hymn of Praise.*

## Gloria in excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee,

we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,

with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## 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.***

*Please be seated for*

## **The 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.”

*At the conclusion the People respond, “Thanks be to God.”*

*The Choir sings*

## **Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24** *Confitemini Domino*

Chant: Alan Gray (1855-1935)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, “His mercy endures for ever.”

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!

the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

“This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter.”

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## **The 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.

*At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."*

*Please stand and sing*

**Gradual Hymn 179, vs. 1, 4-6** *Welcome, Happy Morning!*

Hymnal 1982

*The Gospel is carried into the congregation so that we remember it is our Good News to hear and to share.*

**The Gospel Reading**

*John 20:1-18*

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* ***Glory to you, Lord 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 toward 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 around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" 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.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*All sing*

**Hymn 179, v. 1** *Welcome, Happy Morning!*

Hymnal 1982

*Please be seated for*

**The Sermon**

Ruth Beresford

*Please stand as the Celebrant calls the People to*

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*Celebrant* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* ***I do.***

*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.***

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sin, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. ***Amen.***

*As a sign of the renewal of Baptism, the People are sprinkled with water taken from the font.*

## **The Asperges**

*A member of the parish leads*

## **The Prayers of the People**

In mercy hear our prayer, gracious God, for the church and for the world.

Pray and praise God from whom all blessings flow. We give you thanks for the Easter celebrations that renew us as servants of the risen Lord. Bless us today, that we may share your blessing wherever we go, we pray to you, Lord God.

***Amen. Alleluia.***

Pray that the whole church may proclaim Christ as the Lord of life. Pour upon us the grace to live in unity and love. Bless all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Bishop Kevin; bless our diocese, our preschool and parish. That we may make Christ known in all we say and do, we pray to you, Lord God.

***Amen. Alleluia.***

Pray that nations and peoples may be brought together to live in freedom and peace. Guide us to share the resources of the earth. Guard all those in military service, and all who defend and protect the welfare of others. That there may be justice and peace on earth, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Amen. Alleluia.*

Pray for those who are in the darkness of grief or pain, those suffering from any need or trouble. Bless those we remember now. That we may be agents of your compassion, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Amen. Alleluia.*

Pray for all who have died and now rest in the hope of eternal life. Bless those we remember now. That we may entrust them to your never-failing love, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Amen. Alleluia.*

We are marked as Christ's own forever. We give thanks for the forgiveness, mercy, and joy God has poured out for us in the resurrection of his Son, that we may rejoice in hope and live in peace. In Christ's name we pray.

*Amen. Alleluia.*

## **The Peace**

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

*People* *And also with you.*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*Being seated, we begin with a time of offering. Giving money is a sign that our life serves God's purposes and expresses our gratitude for God's many blessings. The Easter Offering supports our Outreach Ministry in the city of Wilmington and beyond. The ushers will receive the offering and present it on our behalf. Also, you may give online or text a contribution to (302) 244-5368. For those who give electronically, a card is available in the pews to participate in the act of offering. Newcomers and guests may place the welcome card in the offering plate.*

## **Anthem**

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously.  
Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea.  
Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie;  
Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light.  
Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall;  
Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.  
Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie;  
Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light;  
Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.  
Alleluia! Amen.

*Please stand and sing*

## **The Presentation Hymn**

Tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*



## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Choir sings the anthem at the breaking of the bread, which is Christ's Body, broken for us. Please be seated after the sacrament is presented.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Christ or a blessing. Come up the center aisle and take your place along the altar rail, kneeling or standing. If you desire a blessing, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intent. Receive the host in open hands. Gluten-free host is available; let the clergy know your need when they approach you. When you are presented with the cup, drink from it or dip (intinct) the bread carefully into the cup and consume in both kinds together. If you do not wish to receive the cup, please cross your arms to indicate your intent, but wait for the minister to pass you before you leave the rail. Please use the side aisle to return to your pew. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher to let the clergy know, and communion will be brought to you.*

## Music during Communion

### Anthem

Orlando di Lasso (1534-1594)

*Surrexit pastor bonus,  
qui animam suam posuit pro ovibus suis,  
et pro grege suo mori dignatus est, alleluia.*

The good shepherd has arisen,  
who laid down his life for his sheep,  
and deigned to die for his flock, alleluia.

### Anthem

Randall Thompson (1899-1984)

Alleluia.

### Hymn 174 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

Hymnal 1982

*Please stand for*

### The Post-Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* In thanksgiving, 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

*The Celebrant blesses the People.*

*People* ***Amen.***

*All sing*

### Hymn in Procession 205 *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*

Hymnal 1982

## Dismissal

*Priest* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

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

## Voluntary *Toccata from Symphony No. 5*

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

*We are sent forth to be Christ's blessing in the world. Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened you for service, and filled you with joy. We look forward to your presence again in worship, in service to others, in learning and fellowship. Please take your bulletin with you or return it to the table in the narthex as you leave.*



Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you into a loving and joyful community that serves others and seeks to grow deeper in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

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### MUSICIANS IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

The Christ Church Choir  
Bruce Barber, *director and organ*  
David Hearn, *organ*  
Jean-Christophe Dobrzelewski, *trumpet*  
Robert Skoniczin, *trumpet*  
Liz Pfaffle, *horn*  
Dan Cherry, *trombone*  
Jon Fowler, *tuba*  
Dave Nelson, *percussion*

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### PARISH CLERGY

The Rev. Ruth Beresford, *Rector*  
The Rev. Michael Kurth, *Associate Rector/Preschool Chaplain*  
The Rev. Stacey Carpenter, *Priest Associate*  
The Very Rev. William Lane, The Rev. Calhoun Wick, *Pastoral Associates*

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Jo Harney, *Director of Choristers*

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