

Alleluia

EASTER DAY
The Feast of the Resurrection



APRIL 20, 2025 - 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*

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 15:19-26

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.

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

Luke 24:1-12

Priest 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.

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

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ,
the Paschal victory to hymn, in strains of holy joy.
For Judah's Lion bursts His chains, crushing the serpent's head;
and cries aloud, through death's domains to wake the imprisoned dead.
Devouring depths of hell their prey at His command restore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before.
Triumphant in His Glory now to Him all power is given;
to Him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven.
While we, His soldiers, praise our King, his mercy we implore,
within His palace bright to bring, and keep us evermore.
All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee while endless ages run.
Alleluia, alleluia, 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 Great Thanksgiving

adaptation, (red) Book of Common Prayer 369

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People. The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People. The third staff is for the Celebrant. The fourth staff is for the People.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our praise in the ancient song of the Sanctus, sung by the Choir.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our acclamation of Christ's sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection, saying
Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
Celebrant and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Celebrant continues the prayer, saying

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may
worthily serve the world in his name.

Celebrant and People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.

The Celebrant concludes, singing

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom,
with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to
generation.



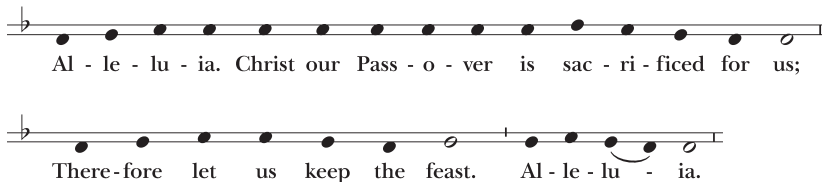
The Celebrant invites the People to say the prayer Jesus taught his first disciples.

The Lord's Prayer

***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

We sing the anthem at the breaking of the bread, which is Christ's Body, broken for us. Please be seated after the sacrament is presented.



Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)

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 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.

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

Hymnal 1982

Anthem

Randall Thompson (1899-1984)

Alleluia.

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.

NEW HERE? Scan the QR code to let us know or complete the card in the pews and place it in the offering plate.



MUSICIANS IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

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

PARISH CLERGY

The Rev. Ruth Beresford, *Rector*
The Rev. Michael Kurth, *Associate Rector/Preschool Chaplain*
The Rev. David Beresford, *Interim Associate Rector*
The Very Rev. William Lane, *Pastoral Associate*

LAY MINISTRY STAFF

Sheila Abio, *Head of School*
Bruce Barber, *Director of Music*
Mason Cruz, *Minister for Children & Youth*
Jo Harney, *Director of Choristers*
Cameron Kuzepski, *Organ Scholar*

ADMINISTRATIVE & FACILITIES STAFF

Sherry Lawton-Fasic, *Parish Administrator*
Terri Carpe, *Finance Manager*
Jennifer Fordham, *School Administrator*
Deb Piper, *Philanthropy/Stewardship Associate*
Jane Rubini, *Administrative Associate*
Nigel Sanderson, *Livestream Technician*
Michael Sayer, *Facilities Manager*
Deborah Webb, *Communications Associate/Graphic Designer*
Leroy Folks, Andy Marine, Charles Parfitt-Simpson, *Sextons*

VESTRY & OFFICERS

Ran Barton, *Senior Warden*; Alexia Wolf, '26, *Junior Warden*
Mark Parsells, *Treasurer*; Bob Reardon, *Assistant Treasurer*
Jennifer O'Connor, *Clerk*; Alexander Maynard, *Youth Representative*
Chuck Arensberg, '26; Audrey Bruce, '25; Cindi Cozza, '27; Barbara King, '27
Ted Ledden, '25; Thorpe Moeckel, '27; Scott Nickle, '26; Eliza Phillips, '25
Jamie Poston, '27; Bart Reese, '25; Jaqueline Whalen, '26

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED

P. O. Box 3510, 505 E. Buck Road
Wilmington, Delaware 19807-0510
Phone: (302) 655-3379
Website: www.christchurchde.org
Facebook: ccchde / Instagram: christchurchde / X: christchurchch
Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM