The Sunday of the Resurrection Easter Day Holy Eucharist March 31, 2024 11:00am



# Saint Mary's Episcopal Church

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# Welcome to St. Mary's!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to this service celebrating his resurrection and our victory over death! We hope that you will worship with us again during the Great 50 days of Easter and throughout the year.

The Episcopal Church has its roots in the New Testament community of the Apostles, and our structure, liturgy, and faithfulness to scripture date from the ancient Church. This parish emphasizes inspiring worship, loving without exception and giving of ourselves completely. If you are new to us, we would be delighted for you to make St. Mary's your church home.

Our Liturgy is taken from The Book of Common Prayer (1979). The hymns we sing during this service may be found in the blue Hymnal.

If you're new to the Episcopal Church, know that we follow an ancient and enduring pattern of worship called Liturgy, which is designed to give glory to God and draw people closer to God. We sing and pray together, and stand, sit and kneel at different times using our bodies, minds and voices as we worship in the Spirit. All of those directions are in this guide, which is drawn from the Book of Common Prayer you see in the pew racks in front of you. We have communion every Sunday (and sometimes more often!) and everyone is invited to the altar, regardless of membership or from what denomination they've come. If you haven't been baptized, or aren't sure you're ready to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing and talk to a priest after the service about getting baptized. For more information about Saint Mary's, please see our website at <u>www.stmaryshighpoint.org</u> or check out our <u>Facebook Page</u>.

The liturgy begins on page 355 in The Book of Common Prayer

Voluntary Saraband for the Morning of Easter

Herbert Howells

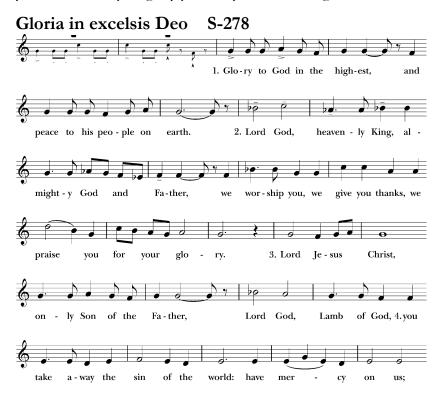
#### Welcome and Announcements

#### The Word of God

Hymn 207 Jesus Christ is risen today

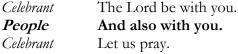
Celebrant	Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*Celebrant* 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.** 



William Mathias





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 Lessons

#### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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."

All are seated

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

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10:34-43



Iain Quinn

# A Reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

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.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia & Hymn 183



V. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast.

All repeat the Alleluias and then sing the Sequence.





# The Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

# GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Gospeller	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

All are seated

The Rev'd Robert P. Travis

#### The Nicene Creed

#### All stand and say together

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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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We pray for the peace of the world, especially Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, The Church in the Province of the West Indies, our companion dioceses of Botswana and Costa Rica, Abundant Life, All Saints', Church of the Holy Spirit, Greensboro. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Helen, Linda, Mary, Emily, Anne, Trish, Thea, Steve, Jerri, Elizabeth, Robert, all those on our parish prayer list and all on the Daughters of the King prayer list, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

*Celebrant* Gracious God, hear our prayers on behalf of those for whom we pray, and give us peace in this time of our Easter rejoicing, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen and exalted Lord. **Amen.** 

The Confession of Sin	All kneel	р. 360
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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

The Peace

All stand

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CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People greet one another in the name of the Risen Lord.

# The Holy Communion

# Offertory

Lodovico Grossi da Viadana

Exsultate, justi, in Domino; rectos decet collaudatio.
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; it is good for the just to sing praises.
Confitemini Domino in cithara; in psalterio decem chordarum psallite illi.
Praise the Lord with the harp; play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
Cantate ei canticum novum; bene psallite ei in vociferatione.
Sing for him a new song; sing well to him with shouts.

~ Psalm 33

# The loose offering at all services today will be designated for World Relief Triad.

Thank you for your continued financial support to St. Mary's and our ministries. Our Easter Offering is designated for World Relief Triad, an agency new to our outreach. With World Relief Triad, we come alongside refugees and other immigrants in vulnerable situations as they rebuild their lives in the United States. For 30 years, they've been welcoming immigrants and refugees in the Triad, starting with refugee resettlement in High Point.

Today, World Relief Triad is part of a national network of offices (which includes Episcopal Migration Ministries) through which over 400,000 immigrants and refugees have been welcomed into this country. St. Mary's Vestry designated this year's gift, recognizing the importance of welcoming the stranger in the name of Jesus. In addition to donations in the plate, you can give on-line by going to <u>worldrelief.org/triad/aboutus/</u> and click Donate, or Give Now. Pledged gifts to St. Mary's can also be made by check in the plate or by using the QR code below. Thank you for your generous support.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

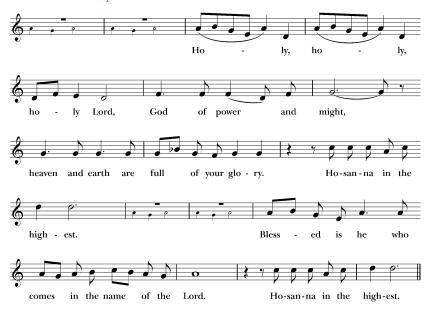


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#### The Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People



# 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.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with ever the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, 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.

A - MEN.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept

Jeffrey Smith, Mass in E

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Choir: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. All repeat the Alleluias.

#### The Celebrant says

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.

#### Music at the Communion

Motet Easter Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise Without delayes, Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise With him mayst rise: That, as his death calcined thee to dust, His life may make thee gold, and much more, just.

> Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song Pleasant and long: Or, since all musick is but three parts vied And multiplied, O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part,

And make up our defects with his sweet art.

I got me flowers to strew thy way; I got me boughs off many a tree: But thou wast up by break of day, And brought'st thy sweets along with thee.

Can there be any day but this, Though many sunnes to shine endeavour? We count three hundred, but we misse: There is but one, and that one ever.

#### Carol

Magdalen, cease from sobs and sighs; Wipe the teardrops from off thine eyes: Simon the leper's feast is o'er, Christ today need thy nard no more. Now thousand times may'st thou rejoice; Now thousand times uplift thy voice. Alleluia!

Hymns	204	Now the green blade riseth
	208	The strife is o'er
	213	Come away to the skies

Arlen Clarke

~ George Herbert

*English trad., arr. Peter Hurford* Magdalen, bind upon thee now Garland of gladness o'er thy brow; Banished afar is grief and pain; Welcome to sunshine after rain. For Jesus Christ the world hath freed, Triumphing over Death indeed. Alleluia!

#### After Communion, all stand and the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

#### Celebrant and 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 Celebrant blesses the people

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

Celebrant	Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
People	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Hymn 210 The day of resurrection

**Voluntary** Toccata from Symphonie V

Charles-Marie Widor

**Altar Flowers**: The flowers on the altar are given by Audrey and Jack Harris to the Glory of God in Thanksgiving for the Daughters of The King at St Mary's -For their vigilent prayers, good works, and evangelism: Kirsten Bertschi, Pam Brock, Amy Campbell, Esther Camm, Kathy Cloyd, Stephanie Cole, Kathy Conrad, Evie Cottam, Barbara Crowell, Amanda Gane, Susan Heard, Rebecca Henderson, Peggy Hussey, Helen Idol, Lauren Jenson, Brenda Jones, Catherine Jones, Betsy Lehman, Smedes Lindner, Rebecca McAtee, Margaret McDonald, Eleanor Oliver, Diane Rankin, Bunnie Smith, Beth Tuttle, Llewjean White, Kathy Woltjen, Mary Beth Yates, and Father Rob as our Chaplain.

# Easter Lilies

In memory of **Larry King**, given by Carol King. In memory of **Brice King**, given by Carol King. In memory of **Matilda Van Dervoort**, given by Robert and Jane Whitehorne. In memory of **Jack Marsh**, given by Robert and Jane Whitehorne. In memory of the Phillips family, given by Ruth White.

In memory of **the White family**, given by Ruth White.

In memory of **Peter Caress and Jeannette Caress Samples**, given by Ed and Ginger Caress.

In honor of Mary Gordon, given by Fran White.

In memory of Gerald & Donna Grimes, given by Chris & Malia Grimes.

In memory of **Helen Swab and in honor of Robert Swab**, given by Chris & Malia Grimes.

In memory of Theresa Miressi, given by Tom & Anne Miressi.

In honor of White & Mary Alyce Watkins, given by Shannon Wiedner.

In memory of **Dr. & Mrs. Sam Bickley**, given by White & Mary Alyce Watkins and Shannon Wiedner.

In loving memory of **Bob Evans**, given by Marilyn Evans.

In honor of **Nan Simcox and in memory of Joe Simcox**, given by Patrick, Laura, and Henry Simcox.

In memory of **the Revs. Robert & Mary Belew**, given by Patrick, Laura, and Henry Simcox.

In thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Liam, Freja, Reagan, Kennedy,

Madison, Hayes, Lucena, Colt, and Tyson, given by David and Beth Penley. In thanksgiving for St. Mary's Choir, given by David & Beth Penley.

In memory of our parents, **Robert & Nancy Kerr and Jim & Ollie Penley**, given by David & Beth Penley.

In loving memory of my twin, Jack Marsh, given by Jane Marsh.

In honor of Jane and Robert Whitehorne, given by Jane Marsh.

In memory of Lucille Fenn, given by Bill & Candy Fenn.

In memory of Steve Wilkinson, given by Bill & Candy Fenn.

In memory of Mike Fenn, given by Bill & Candy Fenn.

In memory of George Edward Freeman, given by Dan & Beth Dawson.

In memory of Violet Peth Freeman, given by Dan & Beth Dawson.

#### Participants in the Liturgy

*Celebrant* The Rev'd Foster Mays

Preacher The Rev'd Robert P. Travis

> *Lector* Kathy Conrad

*Chalicers* Mary Beth Yates, Diane Popalis

Acolytes Henry Simcox, Willow Travis, Griffin Hawks, Mason Hawks, Ruth White

> *Verger* Kathy Conrad

#### Organist and Choirmaster Dr Charles Hogan

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