

Priest

Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King. Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King. Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people. From the *Exultet*, 5th Century

The Priest lights the tapers and then processes to the altar to light the candles. While the priest censes the altar, then is sung:

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

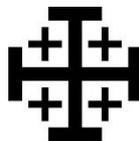
on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

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.



We Hear and Respond to God's Word

The Collect for the Day

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 First Lesson

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thank be to God!

The Psalm

The Choir will sing the antiphon, followed by the congregation. The congregation will join in singing the antiphon at those points indicated in the text.

RCL Easter Day ABC (Principal Service) Psalm 118: 1–2, 14–24



On this day the LORD has act - ed; we will re - joice and be glad in it.

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Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever."

Antiphon

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!"

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thank be to God!

Hymn

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

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All Sing together: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:
Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Gospel Lesson

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.

The Sermon

the Rev. Chad Slater

The Nicæan Creed

Priest At this day of celebration, let us affirm our faith in the words of the ancient Creed.

All 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.

**meaning the church universal, that all Christians are one people regardless of denomination*

The Prayers of the People

Leader Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! At this the heavenly choirs of angels rejoice, the earth exults, and mother church is glad. There I ask you, who praise the loving-kindness of the almighty, to join in prayer for all people everywhere according to their needs.

The Prayers of the People follow Form V, found on page 389 of the Book of Common Prayer.

After each petition, please respond with, "Lord, have mercy."

Leader Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People To you, O Lord our God.

Priest O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Confession and Absolution

Priest My Brothers and Sisters, let us now confess our sins.

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.

Priest 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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Today's Offering

The Offering collected this morning will go to the *Rector's Discretionary Fund* for the benefit of those in need in our community. Your generosity to support his needed ministry is greatly appreciated.

Keep In Touch!

Be sure to sign up for our monthly newsletter, the Rainbow, and our email list! You can also find us online through our webpage, www.cecblf.org, or on Facebook!

Upcoming Events

Wednesday - April 11	Men's Dinner 6pm Vestry 7pm
Thursday - April 19	Food Pantry 9-11am
Wednesday - April 25	Union Mission 4:30pm ECW meeting 5:30pm

Summer Camp at Peterkin

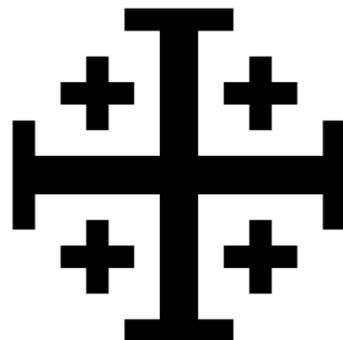
Scholarships are available for summer camp at Peterkin! If you, your child, or a friend would like more information about the camps available, please see Fr. Chad or visit www.peterkin.org. Applications are available from the parish office.

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Dorene Dimes	Lee Puckett, Sr.
Wanda Myers	Bonnie Taylor
Joe Sanders	Linda
Phyllis & Nelson Walker	Sierra
Valerie Mahood	Alex B.
Tony R.	Linda Sydeski
Ragen	Marlene
Kerrigan Farmer	Jarred Cregger
Daisy Bowman	Mike
Ellie Spencer	Sue Godwin
Gary Slater	Stanton Boggess

Birthdays This Week

Alice Allen Shanley Paine



The Holy Eucharist, sometimes call *The Mass*

Offertory

Anthem for Resurrection

words by John of Damascus, circa 750

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Presentation of Gifts and Tithes

*All praise, O risen Lord, we give / to thee, who, dead, again dost live;
to God the Father equal praise, / and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.*

From H 193 v.5

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G minor (one flat). The melody is primarily homophonic, with chords in the bass and single notes in the treble. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and".

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system continues the melody. It features a long note in the treble staff for the word "might," followed by a rest. The bass staff continues with chords. The lyrics are: "might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,".

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

The third system concludes the phrase. It features a long note in the treble staff for the word "might," followed by a rest. The bass staff continues with chords. The lyrics are: "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.

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:



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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.

All AMEN!

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

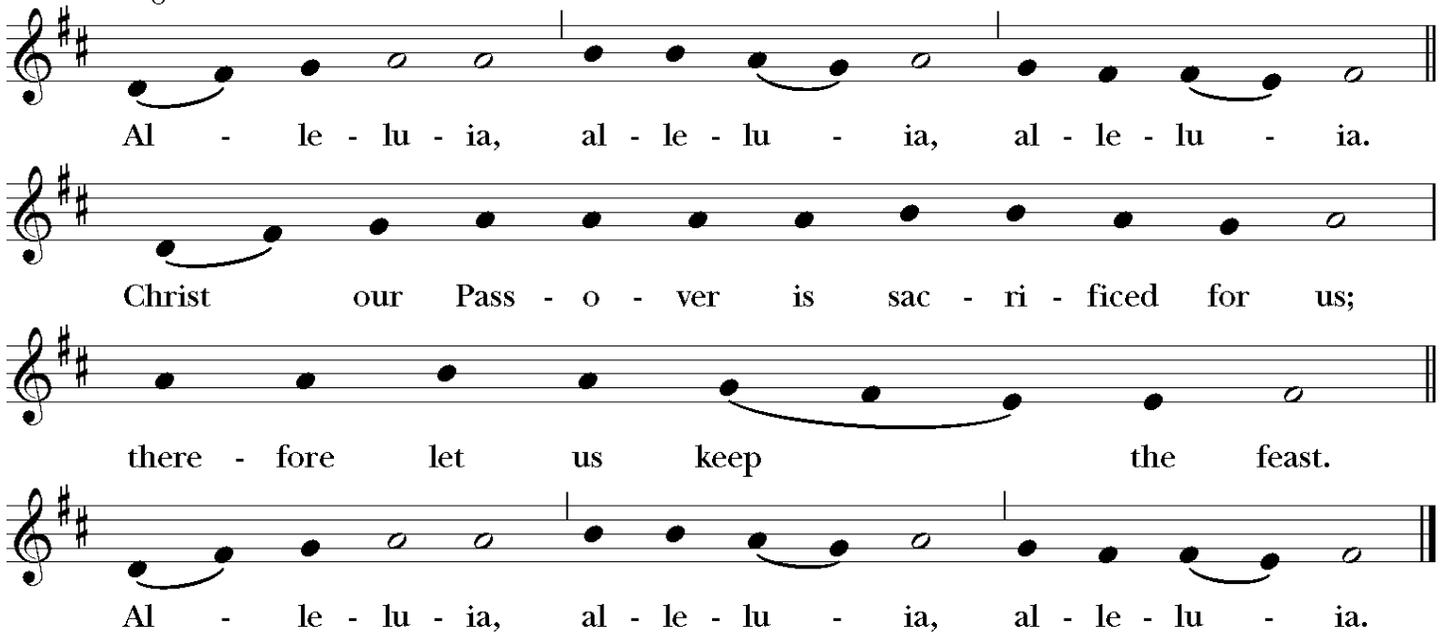
All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen



The Fraction

Priest Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

This setting is not used in Lent.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The melody is simple and homophonic, with a final cadence on the last line.

Priest These are 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 Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

All baptized Christians, of any tradition, are welcome to receive the sacrament.

Everyone, regardless of faith, is welcome to receive a blessing—simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest comes by.

Gluten free wafers are available to those who prefer them. Please let Fr. Chad know as he comes to you at the altar rail.

Fr. Chad will place the wafer in your hand. You may consume the wafer and drink from the chalice as it is brought to you, or you may intinct (“dip”) the wafer in the chalice. Should you prefer, the chalice assistant can intinct the wafer and place in on your tongue. If you would like to receive the wafer but not the wine, simply cross your arms in front of you as the chalice assistant moves by.

It is the tradition of this parish that 12 to 14 people at a time receive Communion at the altar rail, at which point all are dismissed together to return to their seats, and another group may move forward to the rail.



Communion Hymns

<i>Christians to the Paschal Victim</i>	H 183
<i>Pascha nostrum</i>	H-S 19
<i>Now the Green Blade Riseth</i>	H 204
<i>He is Risen, He is Risen</i>	H 180

Our Prayer after Communion

Priest Let us pray.

All 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 Tabernacle Light, symbolizing the presence of Christ through the Blessed Sacrament, is illuminated.

The celebrant and altar party kneel before the altar and then is sung this ancient hymn, our praises "rising as incense."

Te Deum laudamus

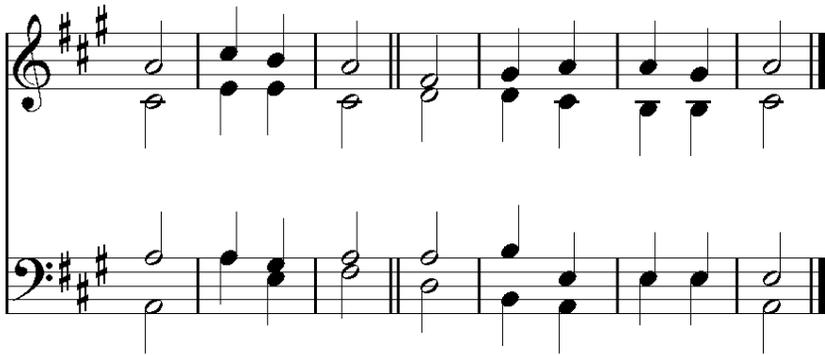
Sung by all. Please stand.



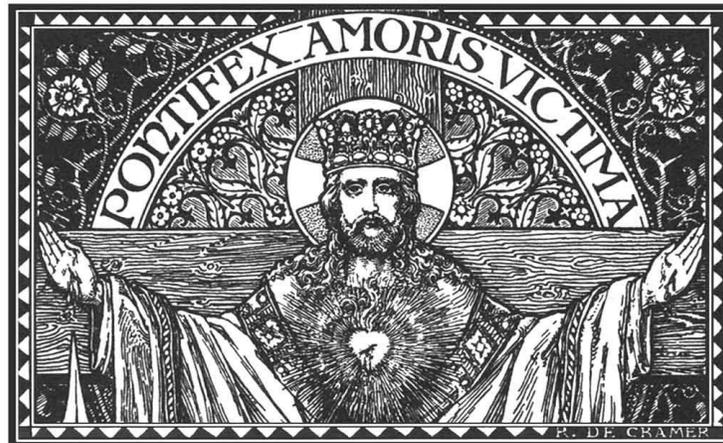
- 1 We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. *
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
- 2 To thee all Angels cry aloud, *
the Heavens and all the Powers there in.
- 3 To thee Cherubim and Seraphim *
continually do cry:
- 4 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; *
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.
- 5 The glorious company of the apostles praise thee. *
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.
- 6 The noble army of martyrs praise thee. *
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,
- 7 the Father, of an infinite majesty, *
thine adorable, true, and only Son,
also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.



- 8 Thou art the King of ¹glory, O ¹Christ. *
- Thou art the ever¹lasting ¹Son of the ¹Father.
- 9 When thou tookest upon thee to de¹liver ¹man, *
- thou didst humble thy¹self to be¹born of a ¹Virgin.
- 10 When thou hadst overcome the ¹sharpness of ¹death, *
- thou didst open the kingdom of ¹heaven to ¹all be¹lievers.
- 11 Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the ¹glory of the ¹Father. *
- We believe that thou shalt ¹come to be our ¹judge.



- 12 We therefore pray thee, ¹help thy ¹servants, *
- whom thou hast re¹deemed with thy ¹precious ¹blood.
- 13 Make them to be ¹numbered with thy ¹saints, *
- in ¹glory ¹ever¹lasting.



The Great Blessing of Easter

The Celebrant returns to the altar to pronounce the traditional blessing for a commemoration of the Resurrection.

Priest 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.

People Amen!

Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

H 207

The Dismissal

We are dismissed from this gathering to go into the world to spread the Good News and the love of Christ! We respond to this instruction with:

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude



**Please join us in Hobson Library for light refreshments
as we celebrate together the joy of our Lord's resurrection!**



Serving in Today's Liturgy

Celebrant	the Rev. Chad Slater
Organist & Choirmaster	Terry E. Whittington, Jr.
Lectors	Bea Paine Becky Kersey
Chalicians	Becky Kersey Jay Kephart
Acolytes	Elizabeth Burton Becky Kersey
	John Allen Benjamin Slater
Altar Guild	Kay Sudduth, Elizabeth Sudduth, Betty Nash

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In memory of Jim Mahood
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In memory of Past Members

The Altar Flowers are given today by
 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Richardson
 in memory of Loved Ones.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory!

The donors of the Easter Lilies may pick up their flowers following the 10 AM service today.



*The angels in heaven, O Christ our Savior, sing of Thy resurrection.
Make us on earth also worthy to hymn Thee with a pure heart.*

