

A Celebration of the Holy Eucharist on the Feast of Easter



Resurrection of Christ Raffaellino del Garbo, 1500-1505, Florence, Italy

**Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
The Lord is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!**

**April 5, 2026
10:30 a.m.**

Welcome to Christ Episcopal Church

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us on this most important day in the life of our faith, the celebration of Easter! This bulletin has been created from the prayers found in the *Book of Common Prayer*, and it contains all of the spoken parts you will recite during our worship. The music this morning will either be printed in this bulletin or found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* in your pew rack.

All are welcomed to our altar at Communion. Baptized Christians (in any Church) are invited to receive the Sacrament of bread and wine. If you would like to receive a blessing from the priest, simply indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

Most of all, be assured that even if the service seems confusing to follow, the people of Christ Episcopal Church are willing to assist if you desire help. We are glad you're here, and grateful for your contribution to our common prayer this morning!

The Holy Eucharist: Rite 2

Instrumental Prelude

Cello: Nancy Cross | *Viola:* Amber Yang | *Violins:* Walker Menkus, Karen Tinsley

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn: # 207

Jesus Christ is risen today

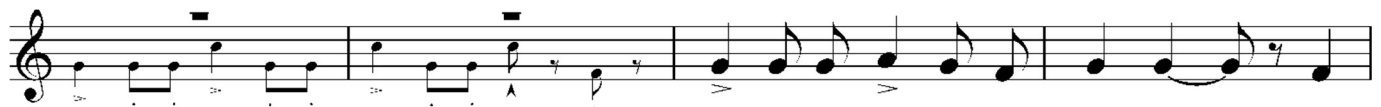
Easter Hymn

The people standing, the Celebrant says, Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The people respond, The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

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.**



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.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Following the collect, the people respond, Amen.

The Lessons *The people sit for the lessons.*

1st Lesson - *After the lesson is read, the lector says, The Word of the Lord.*

The people respond, Thanks be to God.

Psalm – *The people recite the Psalm according to the direction of the lector.*

Sequence Hymn: # 199

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

2nd Lesson - *After the lesson is read, the lector says, The Word of the Lord.*

The people respond, Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Gospel Procession Anthem (*choir*) Christ is Arisen, Let Us Sing *Volckemar Leisring (1588-1637)*

The priest reads the Gospel, first saying, The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to _____.

The people respond, Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the priest says, The Gospel of the Lord.

The people say, Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Procession Anthem (*choir*) Christ is Arisen, Let Us Sing *Volckemar Leising (1588-1637)*

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

The people stand.

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

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

As a sign that we are risen with Christ (and if it is not a physical hardship) please continue standing as we offer our prayers of praise and thanksgiving on this joyful day:

Priest: On this joyful morning, let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader: For the holy Church of God, in all its diversity, which bears witness with one voice on this joyful day of the glad tidings that Christ is risen!

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

Leader: For the whole bright earth, so lovingly created and even more lovingly redeemed, that it may sing of God's glory and majesty with the Good News that Christ is risen!

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

Leader: For the nations and peoples of the earth, for whom Christ died, and for the hope that is offered to all through his resurrection.

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

Leader: For all gathered in this assembly, that we--like the first disciples--may experience the joy of a new life that proclaims: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

Leader: For all who suffer in mind, body or soul, including all those on our parish prayer list and those we remember at this time, either silently or aloud...
(the congregation is invited to offer names at this time)...that they may be comforted by the healing power and presence of our risen Lord.

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

Leader: For all who have died, including those we remember at this time *(the congregation is invited to offer names at this time)*, that in Christ who triumphs over death they may find light perpetual with our risen Lord.

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

Celebrant: Rejoicing in the risen presence of our Lord, we commend all for whom we pray and ourselves to Christ, to whom we give thanks and praise, now and forever!

People: **AMEN!**

During the Great Fifty Days of Easter, the confession is omitted as we emphasize the joy of the forgiving work that God has done for us through Christ. If desired, individual confession may be arranged with the priest.

The Peace *The people remain standing.*

The celebrant says to the people, The peace of the Lord be always with you.

The people respond, **And also with you.**

The Offertory

Offertory Anthem: Alleluia! For Christ the Lord Is Risen *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

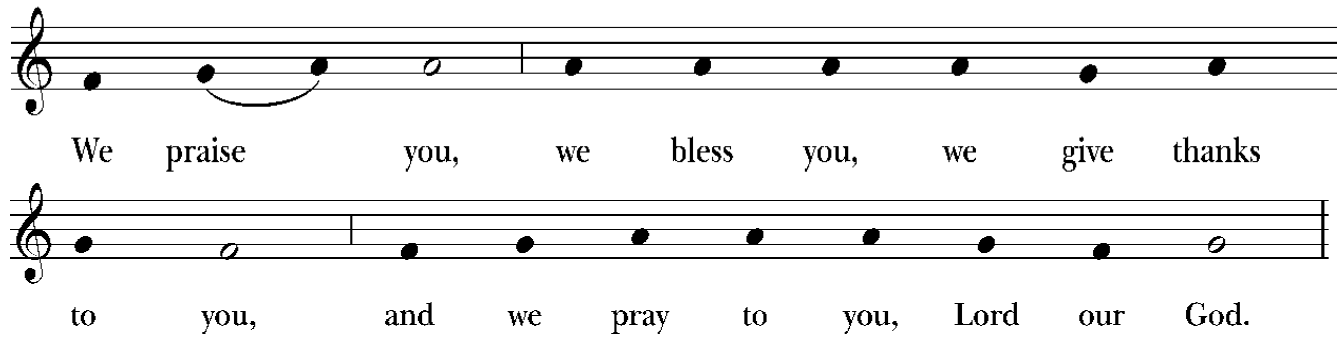
When the offerings are brought forward, the people sing the Doxology.

**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**



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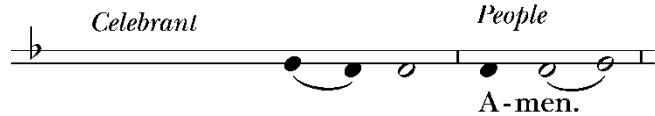
In the midst of *The Great Thanksgiving*, after the *Celebrant* says, "...we praise you and we bless you," the people join in declaring the mystery of faith:



We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks
to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

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At the end of the prayer, the people sing,



Celebrant *People*
A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 364

**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.

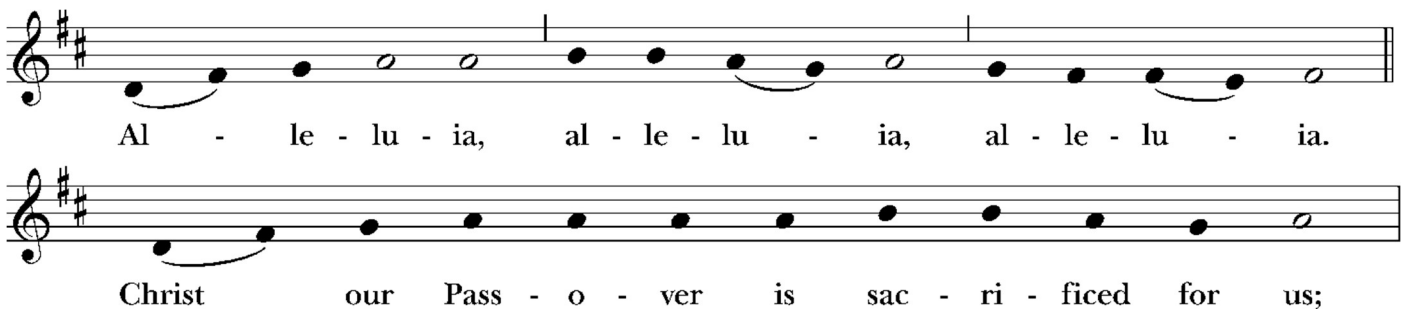
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the Consecrated Bread.

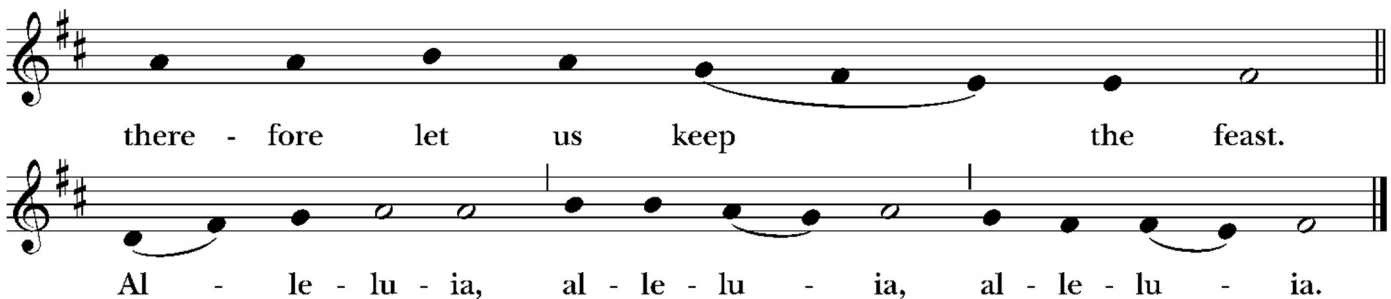
A period of silence is kept. Then the celebrant and people sing the Fraction Anthem:

Celebrant



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

The people respond by joining the Celebrant in singing



there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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The Distribution of Gifts

The celebrant then says the following invitation: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people come forward to receive Holy Communion. Those on the right side of the altar fill in the rail from back to front. Those on the left side of the altar fill in the rail from front to back. All exit the rail along the side aisles. A Communion station will also be in the back of the church for those in the back pews. If you wish to come to the front simply tell the usher.

<u>Communion Hymn # 193</u>	That Easter day with joy was bright	<i>Puer nobis</i>
Communion Anthem	Joy is Come	<i>Andrew Carter (1939-2026)</i>
<u>Communion Hymn # 192</u>	This joyful Eastertide	<i>Vruechten</i>
<u>Communion Hymn: # 208</u>	The strife is o'er	<i>Victory</i>

Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 365

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 Blessing

The celebrant blesses the people.

Closing Hymn: # 210 **The day of resurrection!** ***Ellacombe***

The Dismissal, with Easter Alleluias!

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 366

Priest: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Postlude Sonata in D Major *Giuseppe Jiacchini (1667 – 1727)*
Trumpets: Kevin Eason and Jordyn Huger

Thank You!

We offer thanks for all the musicians, singers and instrumentalists who have adorned our service with music this morning. We also express our gratitude to the altar guild, flower guild, worship leaders, and other volunteers who have made our worship during Holy Week so special this year.

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Our Prayers

Thanksgivings

Please share with Fr. Furman any graduations, marriages, births, adoptions, or other special life events if you would like us to include them verbally in our thanksgivings during The Holy Eucharist.

We give thanks for:

the birth of Brooks Christopher Huthwaite, grandson of Cindi and Chris Haviland

Healing

Please share your name with Fr. Furman if you are preparing for, or recovering from, surgery or other therapies and would like to be remembered verbally during The Holy Eucharist.

We pray for all those who are sick or suffering, or in any need or trouble, including:

Cathy Boyd	Jeffrey Smith, cousin of Kaitlyn Murray
Bonny Collins	Sharron Huza, friend of Kaitlyn Murray
Capers Cross	Brenda Beaudry, aunt of Dylan Murray
Charles Farmer	Yvonne Dickson, mother of John Dickson
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Keith Cox, relative of Anne Kilpatrick	Nicole Foster, cousin of Cheri McCusker
Ted Smith, brother of Claire Burt	Olivia Nachman, cousin of Natalie Bily
Sandy Hobbs, friend of Carolyn Moon	Joe Padgam, son-in-law of Dan & Susan Sokoloski
Carrie Davis, friend of Cheri McCusker	Chuck Burks, friend of Carrie Dolin
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	Rev. Paul St. Germain, friend of Robbie and Tom Hurley

Repose

Please share with Fr. Furman the names of any relatives or friends who have died, and we will include them in our verbal prayers for repose during The Holy Eucharist.

We pray for those who have died, including:



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