

Easter Sunday
April 20, 2025 | 9 & 11am

Holy Communion Easter Service

All hymns & song lyrics are included in the bulletin.

Congregational responses are indicated in **bold**.

Opening Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today



Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and also with you.

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Christ is risen. Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

[Please sit or kneel.]

Confession

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice, evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Collect for Easter Sunday

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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, by your life-giving Spirit, be delivered from sin and raised from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

	Lesson
	nis is the Word of the Lord. Chanks be to God.
The	Psalm
15	The voice of joy and deliverance is in the dwellings of the righteous; * the right hand of the Lord brings mighty things to pass.
16	The right hand of the Lord is exalted; * the right hand of the Lord brings mighty things to pass.
17	I shall not die, but live, * and declare the works of the Lord.
22	The same stone which the builders refused * has become the chief cornerstone.
23	This is the Lord's doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes.
24	This is the day that the Lord has made; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.
[Pleas	e stand.]
Tł	ne Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
P	Praise to you, O Christ.
	Gospel Reading Luke 24: 1-12 ible pg. 884
	ne Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.
[Pleas	e be seated.]
The	Sermon. The Rev. Ben Hughes
[Pleas	e stand.]

The Prayers of Intercession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have promised through your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

Please strengthen Alex our bishop, those who minister among us here, and all your Church as we proclaim the gospel together. And we pray especially for those who are persecuted for their faith, that you would protect them as they reveal your glory to the world.

Please bless our nation and our city, guide our leaders and direct them in the ways of justice and peace; that we may prosper greatly, and give generously to those in need.

Give grace to us: our families; friends; and neighbors, that we may love each other as you have loved us.

And we ask that you comfort and heal all who suffer, giving them hope, and help to know you.

Amen.

[Please stand.]

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, "peace be with you." They were glad when they saw the Lord. **Alleluia**.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Doxology

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

Preparation of the Table

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven, singing together:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, God Almighty Who was and is, and is to come, Lift up His name with the sound of singing, Lift up His name in all the earth. Lift up your voice and give Him glory, For He is worthy to be praised. Holy. Holy.

[Please sit or kneel.]

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Savior has taught us:

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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All baptized believers are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Parents of baptized children are welcome to decide whether you would like your children to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply keep your hands by your side or folded.

If you require a gluten-free cup, please ask the minister.

Living Hope

Johnson / /Wickham

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus: Hallelujah praise the One who set me free Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe Out of the silence the Roaring Lion Declared the grave has no claim on me (REPEAT)

Jesus Yours is the victory

King of Kings

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In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus: Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

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And the Church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel shall not faint By His blood and in His Name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me

Chorus

Every Praise

Walker / Bratton

Chorus: Every praise is to our God
Every word of worship with one accord
Every praise every praise is to our God
Sing hallelujah to our God
Glory hallelujah is due our God
Every praise every praise is to our God

Bridge: God my Savior
God my Healer
God my Deliverer
Yes He is yes He is
(Yes He is yes He is)

Ending: Every praise is to our God
Every word of worship with one accord
Every praise every praise
Every praise every praise
Every praise every praise is to our God

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Amen.

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal 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 Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

In Christ Alone

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In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand



Under Jesus Christ, Our Savior and Lord: The Rt. Rev. Martyn Minns, Interim Bishop of Pittsburgh

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