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ST LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

515 2ND STREET | WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA

WITH CHRIST AND IN CHRIST, WE WELCOME, CELEBRATE, COLLABORATE, AND GROW.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Stanley Vann, Carillon

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

OPENING HYMN *words: Cyril Arlington, Normal Mealy, music: Melchior Vulpius*

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF DAY

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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.**

THE LESSONS

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.
It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God;
we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118

Confitemini Domino, verses 1-2, 14-24

- ¹ Give thanks to God, who is good; *
God's mercy endures for ever.
² Let Israel now proclaim, *
"God's mercy endures for ever."
¹⁴ God is my strength and my song, *
and has become my salvation.
¹⁵ There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:
¹⁶ "The right hand of the Most High has triumphed! *
the right hand of the Most High is exalted;
the right hand of the Most High has triumphed!"
¹⁷ I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of God.
¹⁸ God has punished me sorely, *
but did not hand me over to death.

- ¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to God.
- ²⁰ "This is the gate of the Holy One; *
those who are righteous may enter."
- ²¹ I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.
- ²² The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
- ²³ This is God's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ On this day the Holy One has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

NEW TESTAMENT 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."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

words: trad. Francis Pott, music: Palestrina, arr. by Monk

Antiphon (at the beginning)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
 *3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
 4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed; let shout of ho - ly
 3 glo - rious from the dead; all glo - ry to our
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]



GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People **Glory 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.

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

HOMILY

A time of silence follows the homily.

The Rev. Carren Sheldon

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?
People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider 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.**

Presider 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.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider 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.**

Presider 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.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

THE PRAYERS

Intercessor Lord God, our heavenly Creator, we thank and praise you for the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Passover Lamb, who has taken away the sin of the world. Give new life to us and to all people. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor After his rising, Jesus said, "Peace be with you." Bring your peace to this world and to our own land. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Your Son appeared to Mary Magdalene when she was weeping. Comfort those who are suffering, lonely, or grieving. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor The Risen Christ met the women and asked them to tell the disciples about his resurrection: Guide Christians everywhere to witness to the power of faith in their lives. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Jesus revealed himself to the two disciples through the Scriptures and made himself known to them in the breaking of the bread. Make him known to us and all people through the teaching of your word and the feasts of your holy people. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Your Son strengthened the faith of Thomas by telling him to touch his hands and side. Reassure those who are troubled by doubts, and strengthen their faith in your goodness. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Your Son conquered death by his death and won the victory by his resurrection. Be with those who have died, and lead them to life with you forever. God of life:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Presider Gracious God, grant that all who now celebrate these joyful holy days here on earth may finally praise you forever, with all the angels and saints in heaven. We ask this through your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

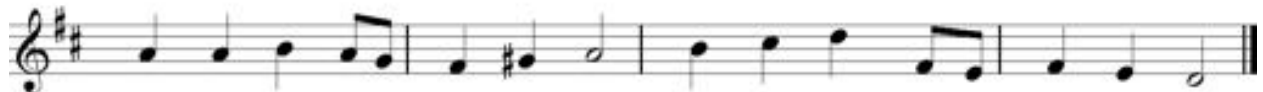
Presider On this day the Lord has acted; Jesus Christ is risen!
Let us rejoice and be glad!

OFFERTORY HYMN

words: Charles Wesley, music traditional



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

SHARED HOME COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Presider 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:

All **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

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

Presider Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob, Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. 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.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Presider 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.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now as Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

words: J. M. C. Crum, music: Marcel Dupré

1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,
 wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain,
 thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,
 love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
 quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Refrain
 Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider 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.**

SOLEMN BLESSING OF EASTERTIDE

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

People **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into the newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever.

People **Amen.**

Presider 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.

People **Amen.**

Presider The blessing of God all holy, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you forever.

People **Amen.**

HYMN *traditional*

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Andrew Fletcher, Alleluia! Resurrexit!

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You're invited!**

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- Queer Alliance, Thursdays, 6:30 pm via Zoom, [contact Mairic.](#)

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