

EASTER DAY

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION



March 31, 2024

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GRACE



EPISCOPAL CHURCH

NEW LENOX, IL

Easter is the highest holiday of the Christian year—a celebration of the event that defines our Church: the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, fulfilling scripture’s foretelling of the Messiah. Like spring itself, the Paschal feast brings the promise of new life. After weeks of preparation and reflection, more joyful elements return to the liturgy. A song of praise replaces the Kyrie, a supplication for mercy; and the word alleluia (“Praise the Lord”)—which has not been spoken during the past 40 days of Lent—is proclaimed enthusiastically, and will remain in acclamations, hymns, and dismissals throughout Eastertide.

Serving today

Celebrant and Preacher - **The Rev. Charlotte Johnson**

Minister of Music - **Chrissy Putlak**

Acolyte - **Ally, Sophie and Danny Mennella**

Lector #1 - **Greg Colombe**

Lector #2 - **Michael Mennella**

Prayers of the People - **Michael Mennella**

Tech Team - **Teri Tucci**

Altar Guild - **Michael Yazum • Mary Wilson • Carolyn Dornbos • Susan Walker • Brenda Rentfro •**

Chloe Remson • Judy Broud • Carol Krause

Choir - **Jessica McIntyre • Linda Carrigan • Carol Krause • Leslie Schilling • Peg Homeier • Greg Colombe •**

David Schilling • Michael Yazum

Guest Drummer - **Steven Vonderohe**

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here at Grace New Lenox.

The service follows the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pews, unless otherwise noted.

Some hymns, and portions of the liturgy are printed here in this leaflet, however.

This symbol X denotes the appropriate time to make the sign of the cross upon yourself if it is your custom.

The Easter Lilies are Given to the Glory of God

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Bill George

by Mary George

IN THANKSGIVING FOR

Our Family

by William & Brenda Carrier

IN THANKSGIVING OF

Grace Church Community

by The Valentine, Plantz & Schuldt Family

IN THANKSGIVING OF

My Family

by Michael Yazum

IN MEMORY OF

Lee Mourn

by Gerald & Debra Huddleston

IN MEMORY OF

My Sister Alana Wellman

by Dianne Garrelts

IN MEMORY OF

Beill & Lucille Blatt; Bob & Jean Blatt and Rudy & Grace Kooi

by Jan Kooi

At the second set of bells, all stand or adopt a posture of praise.

Hymn at the Procession • 175

Hail Thee, Festival Day

Refrain



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for -



ev - er, day where - on Christ a - rose, break - ing the

First time only | 2



king - dom of death. death.

1 Lo, the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the
3 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the
5 God the cre - a - tor, the Lord, who — rul - est the
7 Spi - rit of life and of power, now — flow in us,



win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good
glo - ry of blos - som; hea - ven her
earth and the hea - vens, guard us from
fount of our be - ing, light that dost

Repeat Refrain



gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:
gates un - bars, fling - ing her in - crease of light:
harm with - out, cleanse us from e - vil with - in:
light - en — all, life that in all dost a - bide:



2 He who was nailed to the cross is — Lord and the
4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art au - thor of
6 Je - sus the health of the world, en - light - en our
8 Praise to the Giv - er of good! Thou — Love who art



ru - ler of na - ture; all things cre - a - ted on
life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of
minds, thou Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -
au - thor of con - cord, pour out thy balm on our

Repeat Refrain

earth sing to the glo - ry of God:
 death, life thou be - stow - est on all:
 preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God:
 souls, or - der our ways in thy peace:

The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.

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*Hail thee, festival day! blest day
 that art hallowed forever,
 day whereon Christ arose, breaking the
 kingdom of death.*

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p.355

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

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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



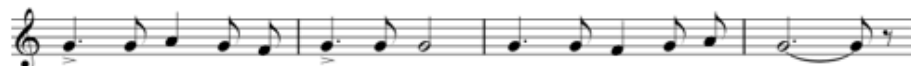
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



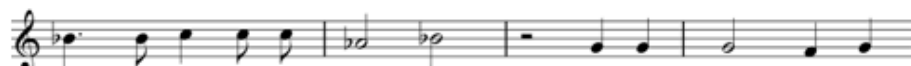
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



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



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The Collect of the Day

BCP p.222

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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 Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson • *A reading from the Prophet Isaiah*

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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is | **good; ***
his mercy endures for | **ever.**
- 2 Let Israel now pro - | **claim, ***
"His mercy endures for | **ever."**
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my | **song, ***
and he has become my sal - | **vation.**
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and | **victory ***
in the tents of the | **righteous:**
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has | **triumphed! ***
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has | **triumphed!"**
- 17 I shall not die, but | **live, ***
and declare the works of the | **LORD.**
- 18 The LORD has punished me | **sorely, ***
but he did not hand me over to | **death.**
- 19 Open for me the gates of | **righteousness; ***
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the | **LORD.**
- 20 "This is the gate of the | **LORD; ***
he who is righteous may | **enter."**
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you | **answered me ***
and have become my sal - | **vation.**
- 22 The same stone which the builders re - | **jected ***
has become the chief | **cornerstone.**
- 23 This is the | **LORD's doing, ***
and it is marvelous in our | **eyes.**

Second-half of chant

- 24 On this day the LORD has | **acted; ***
we will rejoice and be | **glad in it.**

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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn • 492

Sing Ye Faithful, Sing With Gladness



1 Sing, ye faith-ful, sing with glad-ness, wake your no-blest,
 2 Sing how he came forth from hea-ven, bowed him-self to
 3 So, he tast-ed death for mor-tals, he, of hu-man-
 4 Now on high, yet ev-er with us, from his Fa-ther's

sweet-est strain, with the prais-es of your Sa-vior
 Beth-lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser-vant's ves-ture,
 kind the head, sin-less one, a-mong the sin-ful,
 throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran-somed,

let his house res-ound a-gain; him let all your
 bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with-in the
 Prince of life, a-mong the dead; thus he wrought the
 till the ap-point-ed work be done, till he see, re-

mu-sic hon-or, and your songs ex-alt his reign.
 gates of dark-ness, thence his ban-ished ones to save.
 full re-demp-tion, and the cap-tor cap-tive led.
 newed and per-fect, all things gath-ered in-to one.

All stand or adopt a posture of praise for the Gospel.

The Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

Celebrant ☩ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Charlotte Johnson

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant

Through the Paschal Mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to join with those who are committing themselves to Christ on behalf of this child, and renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP p.292

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

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

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

Celebrant 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.**

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

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

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

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

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power
of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

Amen.

The Prayers of the People

On this day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad as we pray to the God who raised Jesus from
the dead, saying:

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop and Paula our bishop, that we may be signs of
Christ's light for all who have lived in bleakness, signs of hope for all who know pain and suffering, and
signs of love for all who have been rejected.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For this parish family, gathered to eat and drink with the Risen Lord, that we may be strong in faith, confident in hope, and abounding with love for God and neighbor.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For all those who live in places of war, violence and unrest, that they may live in freedom and safety.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, remembering especially that they may encounter the Risen Lord who brings hope and healing.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have died, remembering especially..... that they may live forever with Christ in the glory of the resurrection.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints who have borne witness to the Risen Christ, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

Alleluia! To you, O Lord, we give praise and glory.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: hear the prayers we offer in the hope of eternal glory and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live forever in the joy of the resurrection. Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God, now and always, and unto the ages of ages.

AMEN.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

There is no Confession of Sin during the fifty days of Easter season.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Traveling Prayers

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem•

Sung by the Choir O Sons and Daughters

Trans: John Mason Neale

Music: O FILII ET FILIAE, arr. Mark Schweizer

All stand or adopt a posture of praise as the offerings are presented at the altar.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p.361

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

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Then the Celebrant continues

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p.364

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

Celebrant and People

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

At the Fraction

Christ our Passover

David Hurd (b.1950)

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.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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.

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Descant

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

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

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

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -
 Now we shall live for ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.



1 I am the bread of life; they who
 2 (The) Bread that I will give is my
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
 4 I am the life. They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son of God who has



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them up, and I will

raise them up on the last day. 2 — day.
 3 Yes, day.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
 And now, Father, send us out
 to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Easter Blessing

Celebrant

✠ And the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you this evening and remain with you forever. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn • 207

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Descant



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!

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The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia.

People

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.