



# Easter Sunday

AT CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL

**APRIL 5, 2026 | 11 A.M.**

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## PRELUDE & WORDS OF WELCOME

✠ Entrance Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

*Easter Hymn*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

✠ The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

✠ Song of Praise: "Christ is Alive!"

*Truro*

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.

**Old Testament:** Jeremiah 31:1-6

*Reader: Jane E.*

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword  
found grace in the wilderness;  
when Israel sought for rest,  
the Lord appeared to him from far away.  
I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.  
Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
O virgin Israel!  
Again you shall take your tambourines,  
and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.  
Again you shall plant vineyards  
on the mountains of Samaria;

the planters shall plant,  
and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call  
in the hill country of Ephraim:

"Come, let us go up to Zion,  
to the Lord our God."

The Word of the Lord

✠ **Thanks be to God**

✠ **Antiphon**

Reuben Morgan and Ben Fielding

G D C G Em D

Sa- vior, He can move the moun- tains. My God is migh- ty to save, He is migh- ty to save. For

5 G D C G Em D

e - ver, au- thor of sal - va - tion, He rose and con- quered the grave, Je- sus con- quered the grave...

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**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-21** *Please read responsively by whole verse*

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.

**2 Let Israel now proclaim,  
"His mercy endures for ever."**

14 The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and he 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 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.**

✠ **Antiphon**

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 salvation.**

22 The same stone which the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

**23 This is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

24 On this day the Lord has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

✠ **Antiphon**

**A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (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."

The Word of the Lord

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**SEQUENCE HYMN:**

From "Thy Word"  
by Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith

The musical notation is for a hymn in 4/4 time, written in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and repetitive. The lyrics are: "Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path." The notation consists of two staves. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). Chords are indicated above the staff: F, C/E, F, Bb/D, C, F, Bb, C. The second staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). Chords are indicated above the staff: F, C/E, F, Bb/D, C, F. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please remain standing for a prayer*

**THE SERMON:**

The Rev. Drew Downey

✠ **THE NICENE CREED**

**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.**

Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, saying: Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed.

For the whole bright earth, so lovingly created yet so compassionately redeemed, that it may speak again of the glory and majesty of God, and that we who bear the name of Christ may commit ourselves to its keeping, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all nations and peoples of the earth, to whom God shows no partiality, that all may be transformed by mercy to live together in hope, and that the unity of Christ's body may be made visible in our common life, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

For the holy church, whose life is hid with Christ in God, that in all its diversity witness may be made to one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and that we may be bold in our witness to the gospel in daily life, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all in high places of authority, for whom Christ was put to death and was raised, that they may be led to govern with equity and justice, bringing life and light to those in the shadow of death, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all who have been baptized and clothed in the garments of light, and for all who journey this Easter season from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all who suffer in mind, body, or soul, for whom Christ is risen with healing in his wings; for all captives, prisoners, and those condemned to die, with whom the Holy One shares abandonment; and especially for \_\_\_\_\_, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all who have died and for all who grieve, especially \_\_\_\_\_, that in Christ who triumphs over death they may find light perpetual and blessed assurance, and that death may have no more power over us, for Christ is risen:

✠ **Christ is risen indeed.**

God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. ✠ **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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### ANTHEM

**"A New Creation"**

Clausen

✠ **PRESENTATION HYMN: "Doxology"**

Ken/Bourgeois, arr. Tan

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

✠ **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

✠ **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... 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**

**Andante con moto** ♩ = 60

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

9  
God of pow'r and might. Hea - ven and earth are

15  
full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa - na in ex - cel - sis.

21  
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho

26  
sa - na in ex - cel - sis, Ho sa - na in ex -

32  
-cel - sis!

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

✠ We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. ✠ **AMEN.**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

✠ **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.**

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#### **HE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

✠ **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you. Feed on Him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### **MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

*If you wish to receive communion or a blessing, please come forward when invited by the ushers. If you would like a blessing please cross your arms in front of your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available The second cup is alcohol-free.*

COMMUNION HYMNS:

✠ "Alleluia"

Del Hierro

✠ "Jesus is Lord"

Getty/Townend, arr. Edward

✠ "Living Hope"

Johnson/Wickham, arr. Galbraith

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

✠ 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.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL HYMN

✠ "Happy Day"

Hughes/Cantelon

DISMISSAL

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

✠ Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



# EASTER FLOWERS

*dedicated with love by*



The Brooks Family in loving memory of **Ranier Hoffmann**, our beloved Father and Opi.

Drew Downey and Christopher Roberts in memory of **Steven Joseph Donaldson**.

Joan, Gary, Adam and Stephen Edwards in memory of **Nathan Warner Edwards**.

Harry Kelso in thanksgiving for my wife **Catherine**, and in memory of our parents **Kathleen & Tom McVeary** and **Mary Gene & Scott Kelso**.

Harry Kelso in thanksgiving for my brother-in-law **Tim McVeary**.

Harry Kelso in thanksgiving for my daughter **Kathleen**, her husband **Ayoub** and their son **Anis**.

Harry Kelso in thanksgiving for my son **Harry Jr**.

Harry Kelso in thanksgiving for my daughter **Victoria** and her boyfriend **Chase**.

Megan McMahon in memory of **Julie Sager**.

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Susan Winks in thanksgiving for **Frank Winks**, my wonderful husband!

Robin Zakaib in memory of **her parents and brother**.

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## Coming up at CCE

**Campus Spring Clean**  
April 11 | 9 A.M.

**Bishop's Visit  
with Confirmation**  
April 12 | ONE SERVICE at  
10 A.M.  
Reception to follow

**Ladies Brown Bag Lunch**  
April 16 | 11:30 A.M. | Parlor

**Habitat Build Day**  
April 18 | 8 A.M. - 3 P.M.

**Men's Breakfast**  
April 18 | 8 A.M. | Sanctuary

**Ladies' Blessings  
and Brunch**  
April 18 | 10:30 A.M. | Parlor

**Annual Benefit Concert**  
April 26 | 4 P.M.



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## 2026 ESTIMATE OF GIVING UPDATE

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