

# THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER SUNDAY

# HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II MARCH 31, 2024

9:15 IN THE MORNING IN THE CHURCH (LIVE-STREAMED)

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Welcome and Announcements

Hymn 207 Easter Hymn

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Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia! now above the sky he's King Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love, Alleluia! praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation

*BCP*, p. 355

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria in excelsis Hymnal S 280

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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 the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

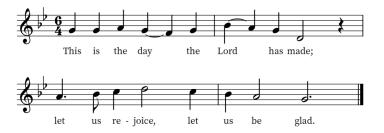
Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Richard Proulx



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*
God's love endures for evermore.

So let the children of Israel say: \*
"God's love endures for evermore!." Antiphon

16 "The Lord's right hand has triumph brought; \* the Lord's right hand has raised me up.

17 I shall not die but I shall live, \*
singing of all God's mighty deeds! **Antiphon** 

22 The stone the builders would not use \* has now become the cornerstone.

23 Such wonders are the work of the Lord, \*
and they are marvels in our sight! **Antiphon** 

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn 175, vv. 1-4

Salve festa dies

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Refrain: Hail thee, festival day! blest day that art hallowed forever, day whereon Christ arose, breaking the kingdom of death. Lo, the fair beauty of earth, from the death of the winter arising! Every good gift of the year now with its Master returns: Refrain

He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and the ruler of nature; all things created on earth sing to the glory of God: Refrain

Daily the loveliness grows, adorned with the glory of blossom; heaven her gates unbars, flinging her increase of light: Refrain

Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art author of life and creation. Treading the pathway of death, life thou bestowest on all:

The Holy Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

Deacon: 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.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev'd Christopher L. Epperson

The Nicene Creed BCP, 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.

Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP, p. 387

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and

humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and

Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations

of the world:

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or

trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

We pray for peace, justice, and reconciliation for the whole world, especially in Ukraine, the Middle East, and Africa.

We pray for those whose lives and homes have been devastated by natural disasters.

We pray for all refugees and for all who are victims of violence, especially those who died or were injured in the shooting in Moscow, and for those who grieve.

We pray for an end to global pandemics, hunger, and thirst.

We pray for those suffering from the destructive power of addiction.

We pray for those who died in and those affected by the collapse of the Key Bridge in Baltimore.

We pray for the students, faculty, and staff of William & Mary.

We pray for those listed on our parish prayer list and for those whom we name now.

Celebrant: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one

with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and

who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The Peace BCP, 360

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

All who seek a closer relationship with Christ are invited to His Table. To receive the Bread, stand or kneel and the priest will place the Bread in the palm of your hand. To receive the Wine, guide the Chalice to your lips. Intinction is not permitted at this time. If you do not wish to receive the Cup, simply cross your arms as the Chalice is presented. If it is not your custom to receive Communion, we invite you to come to the altar and cross your arms for a blessing. For gluten-free communion wafers please make your need known to the clergy at the altar.

Offertory Anthem: Now the Green Blade Riseth Bob Chilcott

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Hymn for the Presentation: 174, v. 4 Salzburg

Easter triumph, Easter joy, thee alone do sin destroy.

From sin's power do thou set free souls newborn, O Lord, in thee.

Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise:

risen Lord, all praise to thee with the Spirit ever be.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, p. 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give him 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.

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 Hymnal S 128

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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.

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**.

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

The Lord's Prayer (People & Celebrant)

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

Fraction Anthem Hymnal S 155
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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Music during Communion: Easter Hymn John Ferguson

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Hymn 179 Fortunatus

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"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say: hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today! Lo! the dead is living, God for evermore! Him their true Creator, all his works adore! "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Earth her joy confesses, clothing her for spring, all fresh gifts returned with her returning King: bloom in every meadow, leaves on every bough, speak his sorrow ended, hail his triumph now. "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Months in due succession, days of lengthening light, hours and passing moments praise thee in their flight. Brightness of the morning, sky and fields and sea, Vanquisher of darkness, bring their praise to thee. "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Maker and Redeemer, life and health of all, thou from heaven beholding human nature's fall, of the Father's Godhead true and only Son, mankind to deliver, manhood didst put on. "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Thou, of life the author, death didst undergo, tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show; come then, true and faithful, now fulfill thy word, 'tis thine own third morning! rise, O buried Lord! "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain; all that now is fallen raise to life again; show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see; bring again our daylight: day returns with thee! "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Hymn During Communion: 213 Middlebury Harmonization, © 1984, Jack Warren Burnam One License A-736324

Come away to the skies, my beloved, arise and rejoice in the day thou wast born; on this festival day, come exulting away, and with singing to Zion return.

Now with singing and praise, let us spend all the days, by our heavenly Father bestowed, while his grace we receive from his bounty, and live to the honor and glory of God.

For the glory we were first created to share, both the nature and kingdom divine!

Now created again that our lives may remain, throughout time and eternity thine.

We with thanks do approve the design of that love which hath joined us to Jesus' Name; so united in heart, let us nevermore part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.

Hymn 205 Gelobt sei Gott

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Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of life is risen today! Sing songs of praise along his way; let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Your Name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One, we sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Anthem: Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor
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The Post-Communion Prayer

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 Easter Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting 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 God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Hymn 199 St. Kevin

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Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness! God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness: loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughter, led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ hath burst his prison, and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen; all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor, with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render; comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal: but today amidst thine own thou didst stand, bestowing that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

The Dismissal

Postlude: Toccata from Symphony V Charles-Marie Widor

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**In memory of loved ones:** Our departed daughters, Bruton Chapter, The Order of the Daughters of the King

**In honor of:** God's blessings by Joe and Sallie Cross; our grandchildren by David and Claudia Frantz; my prayer partner, Sue Warner, by Jo Anne Coy; our six grandchildren by Jill and Gary Sitcer; and in honor and thanksgiving for our gifted and giving clergy, both pastors and teachers, Chris, Lauren, Charlie and Jan by Chuck and Leith Mullaly

The lilies at the Altar, the Tower and the Churchyard were arranged by Cathy Adams, Kitty Burgwyn, Emily Chaikin, Leslie Coe, Nan Hawks, Jeanette Martino and Dianne Spence

In your prayers this week, please remember persons for whom our prayers are asked, especially Alan, Alexander, Alice, Bert, Bill K., Byrne, Cameron, Carole, Caulder, Chison, Chuck, Cliff, Cordelia, Crystal, Darlene, Dave, David, Derek, Dianne, Doris, Erica, Grace, Jhana, Jim, John L., John M., Judy, Judith, Larry, Laura, Leslie, Marcia, Margaret W., Mark, Mindy, Neil, Reginald, Rob, Ruth, Scottie, Steve, Thea, Vernon, Vicki, Viola Cleo, Will; for all caregivers; all who serve in the armed forces, especially Billy, Cameron Blount, Matt Bosworth, Michael Boyle, Ned Burgwyn, Matthew Burleson, Willard Burleson, Cameron Butler, Corydon Butler, Dane Butler, Justin Chalkley, Christopher Chavez, James Coffey, Hunter Colt, Jeff Colt, Sam Colt, Jake Cooley, Andrew Cox, Charles Cox, Chris Davis, Kyle Defibaugh, Patrick Diehl, Connor Diesing, Duane Diesing, Sean Doherty, Monte Dunard, Robert Elmore, Daniel Faughnan, Eli Forbes, Ryan Frantz, John Gaston, Abby Goetsch, Joshua Hays, Rob Hodgson, Michael Holm, Scott Howe, Jeff Hunter, Chip Huntsberry, Eric Inman, Dane Jansson, Jason Kelly, Michael H. Manson Jr., Patrick Menkhaus, Courtney Miyamasu, Daniel Miyamasu, Katherine Miyamasu, Timothy Moffitt, Stephen Mongold, Jordan Morgan, Phillip Morrison, Joshua Mullen, Logan O'Donnell, Spencer O'Donnell, Steven Paul Pearce, Donald Ernest Perkins III, Tom Pluim, Jeremy Provencher, Jonathan Rogers, Lauren Rogers, Trevor Rogers, Michelle Rose, Mike Rose, Conner S., Sean Garand, Jasper Smith, Carson Strassels, Peter Strassels, Ryan Suders, Henry White, John Wilkes; and we pray for the dearly departed.

#### **Announcements**

**Canterbury Gala - A Toast to 350:** Canterbury will hold its annual Gala and Silent Auction on Saturday, April 6, from 6:30-9:30pm in the Wren Building. This year the event will also commemorate the 350th anniversary of Bruton Parish. All proceeds support the Canterbury Missions Fund which provides support for students to attend the biennial pilgrimage. To donate or buy tickets before they run out, please visit episcopalwm.org/gala. We are also soliciting donations for our silent auction of gift cards, gift baskets, and other items. To donate, please contact Peter Fox (peterfox703@gmail.com or 703-835-4145).

**The Sunday of the Resurrection:** Our **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held today in the churchyard (weather permitting) following the 9:15am service.

**Bruton Singles Easter Lunch @ Food for Thought:** Come join us at 2:30pm on Easter Sunday, March 31, for Easter Lunch at Food for Thought (1647 Richmond Road). Celebrate Easter in good company and enjoy some of the restaurant's Easter specialties. RSVP at singles@brutonparish.org.

**First Fridays Recovery Eucharist** will be held in the church and live-streamed on Friday, April 5, at 5:30 p.m. SpiritWorks and Bruton Parish host this monthly service with prayers and readings that focus on helping people find ways to live faithfully in the midst of any suffering. Join us in praying for those still struggling, mourning those we've lost, and celebrating with those experiencing recovery. All are welcome!

**The Dinner Group** will meet monthly in parishioners' homes on Saturday evenings, beginning after Easter, with the first event to be Saturday, April 6. Hosts will provide the main course and beverages, and will determine how many people can be accommodated; guests will bring hors d'oeuvres or vegetables, salad, or dessert. The first dinner will be at the home of Joy and Dick Nathan (Williamsburg Landing, 5701 Williamsburg Landing Dr. #16) at 6pm. Please call Dick and Joy at 703/216-7127 if you would like to attend and let them know what you can bring. Twelve can be accommodated, including the hosts. Joy and Dick will be serving as the coordinators of the Dinner Group, so please contact them if you'd like to be the host of a dinner.

**Bruton Singles @ Canterbury Gala:** Join us on Saturday, April 6, from 6:30 -9:30pm in the Historic Wren Building at William & Mary for the Canterbury Spring Gala & Silent Auction and Bruton's 350<sup>th</sup> Celebration. Meet us at 6pm at the steps to the Parish House reception area to carpool to the Wren Building or join us at the festivities. The annual fundraiser will support our Canterburians' mission trip and outreach. Formal dress requested. To secure tickets, visit episcopalwm.org/gala. Please also RSVP singles@brutonparish.org to let us know you will join us. Call Heidi Elam at 757-897-5012 with any questions. Hope to see you there!

**1774 Day of Fasting, Humiliation & Prayer**: This rescheduled 350th anniversary event is another opportunity for Bruton parishioners to learn more history of Bruton Parish. Robyn Schroeder, Professor of History at William & Mary will be presenting a lecture in the church on *Wednesday, April 10*, from 2:30-5pm. This lecture will be focused on the "June 1st, 1774 Day of Fasting, Humiliation & Prayer", that was centered at Bruton Parish, in solidarity with the people of Boston as the "Intolerable Acts" began to be implemented, particularly the Boston port closure on the same day. This lecture is free and open to the parish (no rsvp necessary).

**Annual John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Concert:** All are welcome to attend this free concert in the church on Saturday, April 27, at 8pm. This year's performance takes place within the commemorative 350<sup>th</sup> year since Bruton Parish's founding and will feature music from the past and present. Handel's multi-movement Anthem, *O Come, Let Us Sing,* which he wrote while serving the Duke of Chandos in Cannons, England. *Musick's* Jubilee, by British composer Andrew Carter represents the present day with a large, joyous work initially composed for Otley Choral Society to celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary season in 1993. Mark your calendar to come and celebrate the legacy of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. which continues to support the music ministry of our parish.

**Bruton Parish Gift Shop:** Happy Easter! The shop will be closed on Easter Sunday but will be open regular hours every day this week from 11-5. Please visit for a wonderful retail experience. Pastel colors of spring abound in our lovely items. Proceeds from your purchases benefit people in need in our community and beyond. Wear your nametag for your 10% parishioner discount.

**The Rev. Oran Warder 350th Presentation:** A recording of the 350<sup>th</sup> presentation given by The Reverend Oran Warder on March 16 at 10am in the Parish Hall is now available. He is the Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Alexandria, VA, and the author of *Rebuilding Zion: William Holland Wilmer and the Rebuilding of the Episcopal Church in Virginia, 1782-1827.* He talked about the challenging, declining years following the Revolution and the recovery of the Episcopal Church. Visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=gQD88ys4SQE to watch.

**The A/V Ministry** is in need of more teams to run the A/V equipment for Sunday services, weddings, funerals, First Friday services and for any other events that call for live-streaming. It is good to have a two-member team with some experience running the A/V equipment, but will train those who will be dedicated to the ministry. Since you will be using church equipment and will have keys to the A/V room, you must be a member of Bruton Parish Church. Please contact Bill Dugge at Bgdugge19@hotmail.com.

**The Churchyard is open for Visitation** on Wednesdays from 9:30-11am for those who would like to visit loved ones who may be interred there, followed by a **Service of Holy Eucharist at 11am**, with healing prayer, which continues in-person at the church.

**The Tombs and Memorials of Bruton Parish Church**: Sponsored by the *Friends of Bruton*, this newly published "graveyard book" is a tour de force masterpiece comprehensive volume that offers a fresh perspective on the lives of many of those laid to rest and commemorated at this National Historic Landmark place of prayer. Stop by the Bruton Gift Shop and get your copy today! (If you attended *Friends Day* last September, please see Hilary Cooley to purchase your book.)

**Friends of Bruton's** purpose is to provide a way for individuals and families, who may live throughout the United States and indeed around the world, to participate in the preservation and promotion of the unique history and spiritual legacy of Bruton Parish Church. *Friends of Bruton* is open to all who share this vision. Become a *Friend of Bruton* and a Cornerstone Circle Member by visiting www.brutonparish.org/fobowc, where you can also read the current issue of *The Bruton Fount*, our quarterly electronic newsletter.

**Visiting Bruton's Roots:** Join an exceptional tour to England to see places associated with the founding of Jamestown and Bruton Parish Church. Visit sites such as Otley Hall, home of Bartholomew Gosnold, instrumental in founding Jamestown. Attend Sunday service at Canterbury Cathedral, mother church of the Anglican Communion. And much more! For complete itinerary and registration details visit bit.ly/2024BPCROOTS. We hope that, once you have read the itinerary, you will want to sign up for this unique opportunity. If you have any questions, please email BPC@brutonparish.org.

#### **Children & Youth Formation**

**Nursery for newborns through age four** is available in the Parish House during the 9:15am services only on Easter Sunday.

**Children's Programming** will not be held today. Join us in the church/yard for worship at 9:15am (weather permitting) and an **Easter Egg Hunt** will follow.

Youth Chili Fundraiser: Our youth are making and selling two types of chili! Meat (\$12/quart) and Vegetarian (\$10/quart). Place your order at bit.ly/BPCCHILI24 or contact Christine Britton (757-229-2891 or cbritton@brutonparish.org). Pay at pick-up with cash or check payable to Bruton Parish Church with "youth chili fundraiser" on the memo line. There is also a credit card payment option on the order form! Please call ahead to arrange a time to pick up your chili at the Parish House.

**Vacation Bible School** will be held at Hickory Neck Episcopal Church this year from 9am to 12pm on July 29 to August 2. The theme will be *Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs* which focuses on the care of creation. Mark your calendars and watch for more information/registration coming soon!

## Candlelight Concerts in the Church @ 8pm

Thursday, April 4 - Early Music Concert:

Cantatas of Johann Sebastian Bach & more

Bruton Baroque Ensemble, debut performance

Sarah Taylor, Soprano, Cynthia Eberhardt & Claudia Kessel, Altos,

Ruth van Baak Griffioen, Recorder, Sophie Genevieve Lowe & Susannah

Livingston, Baroque Violin, Jenny Edenborn, Viola, Brady Lanier, Viola da

Gamba, Ryan Lowe, Baroque Cello, & Rebecca Davy, Organ

Saturday, April 6 - Organ Recital
Dr. JanEl Will, Organist at Bruton Parish

Historical Organ Recitals
William & Mary Wren Chapel @ 10am

Saturday, April 6 - Rebecca Davy

## Clergy & Staff

The Rt. Rev<sup>d</sup> Susan B. Haynes, *Bishop, Diocese of Southern Virginia*The Rev'd Christopher L. Epperson, *Rector* 

The Rev. Charles H. Bauer, Associate Rector - Christian Formation

The Rev. Lauren M. McDonald, Associate Rector Outreach & Women's Ministries

The Ven. Jan M. Brown, Archdeacon

Meghan Brewer, Coordinator for Children's & Youth Ministries

Rebecca E. Davy, Music Director & Organist

Dr. JanEl B. Will, Organist

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Carlyle Campbell, Judi Dorn, Bill Dugge (Junior Warden),
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Steve Hibbitts (Treasurer), Randy Hobbs, Diane Howerton (Register),
Lori Forcucci Smith, Michael Smith, Lynn Smyth and Sue Warner

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