# Easter Sunday

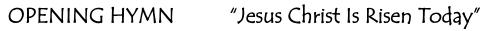
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## St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

## **WELCOME**

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry, and ALL are welcomed at our Communion Table . This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the last page. If you are a visitor, or new to St. Cyprian's, we would be honored to have your name and contact information to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries; the blue information brochure available from a Greeter has a form that you may use. WELCOME!





## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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.** 

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"All with Joyful Exultation"

Haisidic melody



## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: 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

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: Amen. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Then Came the Morning" *Lanny Ballard - soloist*  Gaither/Christian

## PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*

his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, \*

"His mercy endures for ever."

The LORD is my strength and my song, \*

and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory \*

in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*

the right hand of the LORD is exalted!

the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

I shall not die, but live, \*

and declare the works of the LORD.

The LORD has punished me sorely, \*

but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

"This is the gate of the LORD; \*

he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \* and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected \*

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing, \*

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the LORD has acted; \*

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## THE SECOND READING:

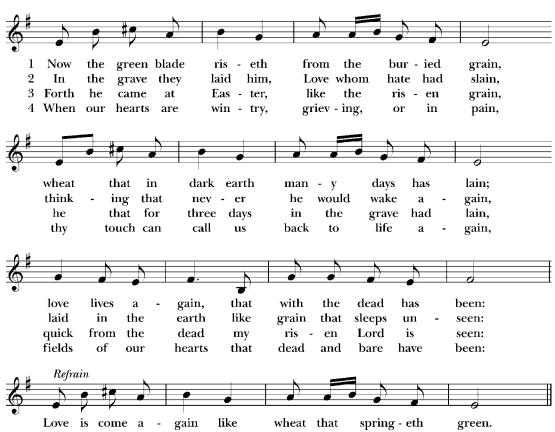
#### 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now 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, <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>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, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

People: Amen. Amen.





THE GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>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' body]. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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." <sup>8</sup>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.

Priest: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: Amen. Amen.

THE SERMON FR. TED VOORHEES

SERMON ANTHEM "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"

Kandie Smith – soloist

Handel

## A DECLARATION OF FAITH

I believe in the one true God, the Creator of humanity, who creates and sustains the universe in wisdom and power, who calls us into being and into relationship with God by grace, whose nature is love.

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who lived that we might see God, who died that we might be reconciled to God, who rose again that we might experience the life of God, who freely accepts and welcomes all who come to him, not on the basis of merit, but on the basis of unconditional love.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
who is God present with us now,
who shows us our need for God,
who assures us of God's love in all circumstances,
who lives the life and love of Jesus Christ through us.

Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Blessed are you eternal God.

People: To be praised and glorified for ever.

Leader: Source of all love, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.

People: May we all be one that the world may believe.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

People: That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Leader: Strengthen all who minister in the name of Christ.

People: Give us courage to proclaim your gospel.

Leader: Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.

People: Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

Leader: Make us alive to the needs of our community.

People: Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

Look with kindness on our homes and families.

People: Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble.

People: In your presence may they find strength.

Leader: We remember those who have died.

People: Father, into your hands we commend them.

Leader: Remembering blessed Cyprian we praise you for all your saints

who have entered your eternal glory.

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Lord you have called us to serve you.

*People:* Grant that we may walk in your presence:

Your love in our hearts, Your truth in our minds, Your strength in our wills,

Until, at the end of our journey,

We may know the joy of our homecoming

And the welcome of your embrace, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: We pray for our own needs and blessings ...

(Particular intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered silently or aloud.)

#### THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 



## OFFERTORY HYMN "That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright"



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Holy, holy ... holy, holy ... holy Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

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... of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest ... hosanna in the highest.

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Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Priest and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Saint Cyprian and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Priest and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.



#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Priest:* Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God. Feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

#### **BLESSING**

Live without fear.

Your Creator has made you holy,
has always protected you,
and loves you with a power and a presence
that is stronger than death.

May God's blessing be with you,
Christ's peace be with you,
and the Spirit's outpouring be with you,
now and always.







## DISMISSAL

Priest: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE** 

"Hallelujah Chorus"

Handel

## About Our Worship Booklet

The worship in this booklet follows the form of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Declaration of Faith** is borrowed from the Moravian Book of Worship. (The Moravian Church and the Episcopal Church are in full communion with each other.) The **Eucharistic Prayer** is from **Enriching Our Worship**, a resource for the Episcopal Church's liturgy. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year B** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Jane Holzkamp, Kirby von Egidy, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Margie Costas, Adelaide and Anastasia, Matt Shirer, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Charlie Schwab, Tom Lutton, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, Jim Lofquist, Bud & Kevin Cash and Beth.

We pray also for Jeanne Alegra-Murrad, Marty Turner, Marianne Finn, Peter Morin, Rodolfo, Norma Sherry, Geordy Maisch, Martha Shannon, Daria, Bob Mermell, Janine, Kim, Linda Parker, Nancy, Skip Hutton, Marnie, Jeff, Dennis O'Neill, George Libonate, Patti Morrissey, Janet Sowers, Bonnie Wahiba, Foster Swann, Peter Ripley, Garrison Williams, Debbie Gagnon, Irma Brooks, Julie Forker, Kelli Ann Dishmon, Jim Bullock, Kris Phillips, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Susie, Catherine Martin, Liza Aston, Nury, Bill & Mary Jo Dudley.

<u>About the Prayer List</u> – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List please use the form you'll find on the table near the door. And, please let us know when to take someone's name off our Prayer List.

## Dining With Dignity

Many thanks to all who donated food, clothing, and/or funds to help provide a dignified meal to our homeless sisters and brothers in the area. Our next Dining With Dignity is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6.

Please watch the announcements in the Voice as we make our plans during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis.

## Ecumenical Food Pantry

The Ecumenical Food Pantry is now open five days a week during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis, and the need for food is extremely high. If you want to bring food contributions for the Ecumenical Food Pantry, the church is open for prayer daily from 9am until 4:30pm, and the food basket is just inside the door. If you would like to make a monetary contribution (each \$1 buys 5lbs. of food), please mail the check to the church and put Food Pantry in the memo line.

## Zoom Meetings

Racial Justice Discussion Group – Mondays at 11am
Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10:30am
Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am
Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm
Reading Between the Lines – Thursdays at 10am

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