



**St. Mark's Anglican Church**

***Easter Day***

**Sunday, April 20, 2025**

**Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am**

*Welcome to St. Mark's.*

*The order of service is set forth in this service sheet  
Please stand and kneel as you are able—and as is your custom  
Please join in singing the hymns and saying the parts printed in **bold***

*The service music is found in Common Praise, the blue books in the pew racks*

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PRELUDES *Résurrection* from *Symphonie-Passion*, op 23

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*All stand for*

#### THE ENTRANCE HYMN

*Common Praise, 203*

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!

**Words:** *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.

**Music:** *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is Risen!  
*People* **The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* May his grace and peace be with you.  
*People* **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*All* to you all hearts are open,  
 all desires known,  
 and from you no secrets are hidden.  
 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.

GLORY TO GOD

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo-ple on  
 earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al- might - y God and Fa- ther, we wor-ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je- sus Christ, on - ly Son of the  
 Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; you are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.  
 For you a-lone are the ho - ly One,  
 you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Lord of life and power,  
through the resurrection of your Son,  
you have overcome the old order of sin and death  
and have made all things new in him.  
May we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
reign with him in glory,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive,  
one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*All sit*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

Reader: Wes Turner

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

*Reader* Thanks be to God.

### CHORAL MEDITATION

Simone Stella

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus: exultemus et laetemur in ea, alleluia.

*This is the day which the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.*

*-Psalm 118:24*

### SECOND READING

Acts 10: 34-43

Reader: Wes Turner

Then Peter began to speak to them: "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*            Thanks be to God.

*All stand*

## THE GRDUAL HYMN

*Common Praise, 215*

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

'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ has 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 gladden faithful hearts which with true affection  
welcome 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 the twelve thou dost stand, bestowing  
that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

“Alleluia!” now we cry to our King immortal,  
who, triumphant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal;  
alleluia, with the Son God the Father praising;  
alleluia yet again to the Spirit raising.

**Words:** John of Damascus c. 675-754), trans. J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

**Music:** *Ave Virgo Virginum*, from *Gesangbuch*, 1544

## GOSPEL

Luke 24:1-12

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

*Celebrant*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

*Celebrant*     The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## THE SERMON

The Rector

## THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant*     Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
*All*            **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.  
 With the Father and the Son  
 he is worshipped 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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader:* Diane Turner

*Leader* In joy and hope let us pray to the Father, saying “in Christ our Lord.”

*People* That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his glorious  
 and life giving resurrection; let us pray to the Father,  
**in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength  
 in the good news of Easter; let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter;  
 let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That by his power war and famine may cease through all the world;  
 let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick,  
the weak, and the dying, especially to comfort and strengthen them;  
let us pray to the Father,

***People* in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That, according to his promises, all who have died in the faith of the  
resurrection, may rejoice in eternal life; let us pray to the Father,

***People* in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That he may send forth the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people,  
so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection;  
let us pray to the Father,

***People* in Christ our Lord.**

*Celebrant* O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the  
week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting  
life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make  
us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation  
of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

***People* Amen.**

*Confession and Absolution are omitted for the Great Fifty Days of Easter*

THE PEACE

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

***People* And also with you.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### THE OFFERTORY HYMN

*Common Praise, 211*

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!

**Words:** Cyril Argentine Allington (1872-1955), alt.  
**Music:** *Vulpus (Gelobt sei Gott)*, Melchior Vulpus (c.1570-1615)  
 harm. Ernest Campbell MacMillan (1893-1973)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant*                      *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant*    Blessed are you,  
 gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;  
 we give you thanks and praise  
 for the glorious resurrection of your Son  
 Jesus Christ our Lord;  
 for he is the true paschal lamb  
 who has taken away the sin of the whole world.  
 By his death he destroyed death,  
 and by his rising to life again  
 he has won for us eternal life.  
 Therefore, joining our voices  
 with the whole company of heaven,  
 we sing our joyful hymn of praise  
 to proclaim the glory of your name.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD

*Common Praise*, no. 689

*In order to celebrate the triumph of Christ's Passion,  
 the people REMAIN STANDING throughout the Prayer of Consecration*

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
for the goodness and love  
you have made known to us in creation;  
in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over  
to suffering and death,  
a death he freely accepted,  
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.

*All* Therefore, Father, according to his command,  
**we remember his death,**  
**we proclaim his resurrection,**  
**we await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* and we offer our sacrifice  
of praise and thanksgiving  
to you, 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, made acceptable in him,  
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,  
reconcile all things in Christ and make them new,  
and bring us to that city of light  
where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever.

*People*      **Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*      And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All*              **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE FRACTION

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## LAMB OF GOD

*Common Praise*, no. 690

*Please follow the directions of the greeters as you make your way to the altar*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Pietro Vinci (1540-1584)

Surrexit pastor bonus qui animam suam posuit pro ovibus suis,  
et pro grege suo mori dignatus est, alleluia.

*The good shepherd has arisen, who laid down his life for his sheep,  
and for his flock deigned to die, alleluia.*

*- Communion sentence at Mass on Easter Day*

*After communion, all stand for*

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* All your works praise you, O Lord.  
*All* **And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son  
Jesus Christ.  
May we, who share his body,  
live his risen life;  
we, who drink his cup,  
bring life to others;  
we, whom the Spirit lights,  
give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
So that we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

## THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* May the God of peace of God who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## THE RETIRING HYMN

**Words:** Brian Wren (b. 1936)

**Music:** *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica*,  
harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His  
Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to  
Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un -  
In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where  
Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through

5  
cross stands emp - ty to the sky. Let  
dis - tant years in Pal - es - tine, he  
touched, un - moved by hu - man - pains, but  
co - lour, scorn or wealth di - vide, he  
this and ev - ry fu - ture age, till

9  
streets and homes with prais - es ring. His  
comes to claim the here and now and  
dai - ly, in the midst of life, our  
suf - fers still, yet loves the more, and  
all cre - a - tion lives and learns his

13  
love in death shall ne - ver die.  
con - quer ev - every place and time.  
Sa - viour with the Fa - ther reigns.  
lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.  
joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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**Servers**      John Shaver    Virginia Mainprize    Bob Cross

**Greeters**      Doug and Colleen Hunter

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**THE EASTER FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD  
AND IN MEMORY OF**

Dr. C. Bruce and Betty Rigg, Thomas and Rodney Rigg, Harry W. and Edna Burroughs,  
Jackie Burroughs *from* Gary and Sarah Burroughs

The Lees and Masters families *from* Beverley and Dorothy Lees

Kelly M. James *from* Janet James

Peter Wylie *from* Eve Wylie

In memory of her parents *from* Lynne Heaman

The loved ones of Candace and Will Walker *from* Candace and Will

Chris Jennings *from* James and Virginia Mainprize and Rita Brown

The Bailey and Bloss families *from* Michael Bloss and Mona Bailey

Isabelle de Borchgrave *from* Rita Brown

Ian Bongard *from* Nancy Bongard

Gillian McKay *from* Anjulika Chand

Molly Belleville and Grant Reddick *from* Donna Belleville

Betty, Perc and Deane, Steve and Grace *from* Allan Magnacca and family

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