He is M Risen!

THE SEASON IS...

Happy Easter! We begin the Eastertide 50-day feast. Easter is the longest feast in the church's year. It is 10 days longer than the longest fast (40 days of Lent). As simple as it may seem to keep the feast, feasting takes perseverance and intention. It is easy to let the world's time and business take the place of our joyful celebration of Jesus' victory. Our lives are securely fixed on the truth of Christ's resurrection. It is this truth that gives us strength and direction in meeting the needs of the world around us. Christ is risen indeed! Keep the feast!

STEWARDSHIP— "On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it." May we strive to be rejoicing stewards not only in the Easter season, but the whole year through – always thankful and grateful for our many blessings. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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OUR PRAYER LIST

Prayer requests for the bulletin should be sent to the parish office by Wednesday to appear in the Sunday bulletin. The clergy and members of our church are happy to pray with you on the phone if you would like.

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The Reverend Patricia Downing—Rector
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Jo Klinge—Reader/Intercessor/Coffee Hour Host
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Team 1: Cee Kelsey, Betty Jane Gunther, Elizabeth Hukill—Altar Guild *All music is used with permission.*

The Feast of the Resurrection The Holy Eucharist

Prelude



The Word of God

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity Celebrant and People

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.

Gloria Spoken in unison.

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.

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 Lesson 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.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 *Prayed in unison.*

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 Epistle 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."

At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said:

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Gospel People stand as they are able.

Mark 16:1-8

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

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Renewal of the Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Let us now stand and renew our own Baptismal Covenant.

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 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.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence

For all people in their daily life and work, including those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week; especially, Emily Zitzelberger, Sienna Byorick, Mary Bowick, Alejandro Gutierrez, and John Ladd.

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, especially Marie Hunt, Mark Levin, Melissa Perry, Anne Digan, Jim Yandle, Andrea Morgan, Frances Whittingham, Rich Mical, Tom Ptoomey, Julia McKay, Paquito Ocasio, Mark Evans, Stephen Warner, Gerardo Plasensia, Jeanne O'Shea, Lilian Ocasio, and Donald Vavala Sr.;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our Bishop, and Patty and Marta, our priests; For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence*

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

Celebrant

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

The Holy Communion

All are invited to join us in receiving Communion.

Offertory

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

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.

Celebrant

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

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.

Celebrant

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 many 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, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Celebrant 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

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

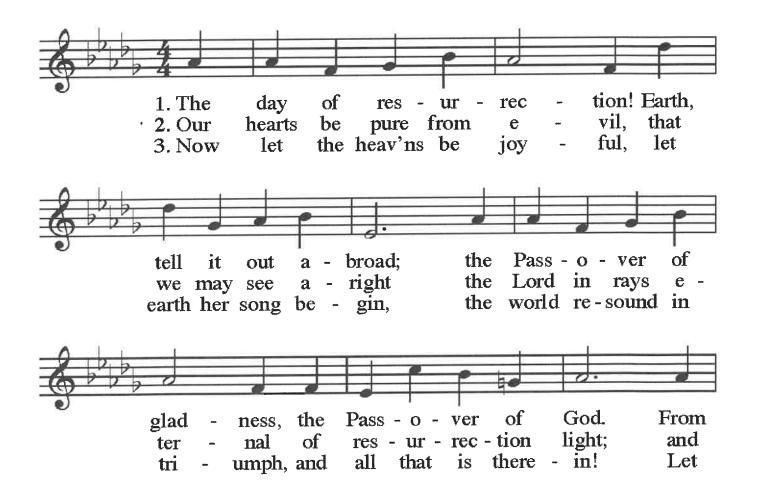
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, 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.

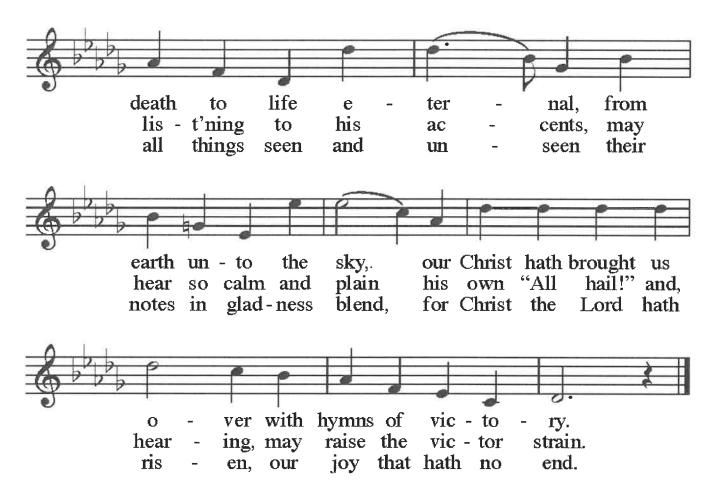
The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn

The Day Of Resurrection





The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude

Announcements

Thank you to all in the Altar Guild and flower arrangers who helped make the church look so beautiful for Easter!

Easter Egg Hunts will be held after every service today.

Kim Eppehimer from Friendship House will be preaching at the 10 am service on Sunday, April 14. She will also host a Zoom presentation on "Friendship House 101, ways to get involved and support" at 5 pm the same day. Check the weekly email for the Zoom link and login information.

FREE CONCERT: Encore Chorale of Wilmington – Come celebrate the return of spring on Wednesday, April 17, at 7:00 pm, right here at Trinity, when The Encore Chorale of Wilmington, a 40-member vocal ensemble, under the direction of Trinity's Director of Music, David Simmons, presents a FREE concert, filled with an eclectic mix of choral delights, that will light up your spring with warmth and joy!

ARTS DAY AT OLD SWEDES – Reserve the afternoon of Saturday, May 18 (Noon to 5:00 pm) on your calendar and ask your friends to join you for a unique "Celebration of The Performing Arts!" Produced by The Arts At Trinity (TAAT) as part of the 325th Anniversary of Old Swedes, this "first of its kind" event will feature FREE performances by a host of prominent arts ensembles, including Opera Delaware, Delaware Shakespeare, Pieces of a Dream Modern Dance Company, and The Serafin Ensemble. From singing to dancing, and from dramatic offerings to instrumental performances, it will be an afternoon you will NOT want to miss. NO tickets required! Most performances will take place on the stage of the outdoor amphitheater. Stay tuned for more details and exact performance times. Help us spread the word throughout the greater Wilmington region! If you can assist with set-up, logistics, staffing, or tear-down, etc, that day, please contact David Simmons, at david@trinityparishde.org.

Women's Retreat – Friday May 10 to Sunday May 12. Join us for the women's retreat focused on "Legacy": how we will be remembered when we are gone, how we can support those facing death or helping another to do so, and those who have lost a loved one. Beth Cohen, Rabbi Emerita of Seaside Jewish Community in Rehoboth Beach, served as Religious Leader there for 10 years before she retired. In her "retirement," she provides Rabbinic support to the synagogue's Social Justice Committee projects, especially its Interfaith activity, and provides pastoral support for Jewish people in the Rehoboth Beach area. Rabbi Beth will lead us in exploring our topics around Legacy and provide background and understanding on the Jewish approach to these issues. Of course, we will also have time for relaxation, delicious food, beautiful scenery, and the company of other women who are on the same journey. This retreat is for women of all ages and backgrounds. The cost is \$300 for lodging and meals except lunch on Saturday which is on your own. Assistance with cost is available – contact Rev. Patty Downing. For more information, please contact Kim Denhardt at kdenhardt@gmail.com.

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The Easter flowers at Trinity Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

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