



St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church
Fort Walton Beach, FL

Easter Day

The Feast of the Resurrection

March 31, 2024





Clergy: The Rt. Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, Bishop
The Reverend J. David Knight, Celebrant
The Reverend Clelia Pinza-Garrity, Deacon

Choir: The St. Simon's Choir directed by: John Leatherwood

Organist: Lynda Cast

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The Holy Eucharist
The Word of God

PRELUDE

Now the Green Blade Riseth

Kevin McChesney

HYMN 207

"Jesus Christ is risen today"

Easter Hymn

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a prelude and a hymn. The hymn is in 4/4 time and consists of four verses. The lyrics are: "Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! un-to Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! our salvation have procured; Alleluia! praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!"

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

BCP, p. 355

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.** *(Repeat 3 times)*

The Celebrant and People pray together, saying,

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.

The Choir and People sing the Pascha Nostrum to the tune of "For all the Saints"

Sine Nomine

**God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;
Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Now Christ is raised and will not die again;
Death has no more dominion over him;
Through him we die to sin and live to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:
Though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die,
In Christ's new life shall all be made alive. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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 People sit for the Lessons.

A READING FROM ISAIAH

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.

Isaiah 25:6-9

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

(Read responsively by half verse. The people read after the asterisk.)

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.

A Reading from 1 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.

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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

Gospel Hymn Come, ye faithful, raise the strain The Hymnal 1982 #199
Verses 1 & 2

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ**

Deacon: Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 20:1-18

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Hymn Come, ye faithful, raise the strain The Hymnal 1982 #199
Verses 3 & 4

THE SERMON

The Reverend J. David Knight

Following the sermon, the People stand and say

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In Easter, the People are encouraged to stand for the prayers. The Leader and People pray responsively.

Filled with joy on this royal feast of feasts, let us offer prayers to God who leads his sons and daughters through the Red Sea waters.

For the holy churches of God, for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Russell, our Bishop; our clergy; and all who minister in Christ.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For this country, for Joe, our President; for Ron, our Governor; for those in the armed forces, especially those in harm's way, and for those who guard the peace.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

In the Diocesan Prison cycle of prayer, we pray for Jackson Correctional Institution, Malone, FL and for all those in prison and those who work with prisoners.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For all those in need, the suffering, the oppressed, and travelers.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the dying and the dead.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For ourselves, our families, and those we love.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

That our Savior may grant us triumph over our visible and invisible enemies.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

That Christ may fill us with the joy and happiness of his holy resurrection. Remembering our St. Simon, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for the victory over death of your Son Jesus Christ. Hear the prayers we offer this holy day, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live for ever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. Community announcements are given now

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM **With a Voice of Singing** **by Martin Shaw**

AT THE PRESENTATION **The Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A** **BCP, p. 361**

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

Celebrant and People

**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.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then the Choir and People sing

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover

by Jeffery Rickard

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia.

Communion Hymns

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. by Vernon Hoyle

HYMN 180

“He is risen, he is risen!”

Unser Herrsher

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
ra - dant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

HYMN 304

I come with Joy to meet my Lord

Brian A. Wren

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.**

Celebrant blesses the people.

HYMN 178 “Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord”

Alleluia #1

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

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The People are sent into the world with these words

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

We invite you to remain seated for the Postlude

POSTLUDE

Hallelujah! (from Messiah)

G.F. Handel

THE FLOWERS IN THE EAST ENTRANCE
ARE DEDICATED
IN LOVING MEMORY
TO
TIMOTHY ANDREW WALKER



***THE EASTER FLOWERS ADORNING THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN THANKSGIVING***

For:

Steve Barber

I am Thankful for my Family

Adoption of Grant Connell-Hilton

Evelyn Fuller and Carol Bomar

Kyle, Kelly, Jacob, and Bryce Fuller

Our Grandchildren, the Berryman and Hale
Children

All the Love in our Lives

Silas

My Sister, Joan Hagler

Ronnie, Erin, Michael, Ethan, Lily, Jarrod and
the rest of my family and friends!

Our Grandchildren and their Parents

Our Parents, Ken, Susan, Jim, and Evelyn and
our Children, Diana and Clara Beth

The Gift of our lovely Family and Friends!

Kinsey Lowrey Massey and Kurt Lane Lowrey

Family & Friends

My Wonderful Family

Adam, Jacob, Antoni and Eli

Our Children and Grandchildren

Jack and Helen Wheeler and
Frank and Gladys Gregory

Shawn Stewart and Tiffany Turner

Our Children

BY:

Beverly Barber

Linda Carr

Claude and JoAnne Connell

Van and Kelley Fuller

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Jacque and Lealis Hale

Cathy Halprin

Janet Hennigan

Jean Hood

Carl Hunt

David and Jennifer Knight

Jamie and Liz LaFollette

John and Linda Leatherwood

Tom and Marsha Lowrey

Marie Leibold

Billie Malicote

Julie and Mark Marrero

Patsy and Al Richey

Rick & Kate Smith

Kathi Stewart

Elizabeth and Jim Vann

Our Granddaughters, Abbie Claire and
Anna Riley Boozer

Jon and Chris Westphal

Joan Wheelless and Stefan, Kristian, and Sadie
Wheelless

Paul and Sharon Wheelless

My Family and Friends and St. Simons

Bobbie St Clair - White

My blended Family

Jack White

Audrey Grace Zachary on her Baptism and
Brindle Elizabeth Zachary

The Zachary Family

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

OF:

Jim Barber

Ruth and Bill Bethea

Loved Ones

Claude Fuller and Lynn Bomar

Neen McHaney

Phyllis Anne Mull Creel

Hilmon and Netta Holley and Hil Holley
Dick and Eleanor Mathison

My Beloved Husband Don Hood

My Mother, Daddy, and Sister Karen

Dear Friends Anne Hall and Ginny Gates

Harold Knight and Jaque Forrester

In Loving Memory of our mother Ginny Gates

My loving Husband, William G. Lee III

BY:

Beverly Barber

Barbara Bethea

Steve and Marijane Brown

Van and Kelley Fuller

Cathy Halprin

Nick, Elizabeth, & Mary Emmaline
Hogenkamp

Netta Holley

Jean Hood

Carla Hunt

Mary Jones

David and Jennifer Knight

Kim Keeler and Kathy Ard

Jennifer Lee

Natali Vail Lowrey, Kelli Renea Lowrey,
Tommy Lowrey Bellamy

Jim and Margret McAleer

Atlas and Katherine Milhous, Frank and Mary
Milhous, Herbert and Anas Wise and Robert and
Ann Martnishn

Our Parents Charlie and Eleanor Scruggs and
Jean and Jeanne Sheppard

Sterling and Ben

Morris Stewart and Robert Berry

Our Parents

Longtime St. Simonians, Francis, and Terry
Marshall

Chris's Parents, Beth and Dick Scott

Jon's Dad, John L. Westphal

Arlon and Myrtle Bartels
And Bob Wheelless

Tom and Marsha Lowrey

Brandon McAleer

Thomas Milhous

Mike and Ellen Sheppard

Rick and Kate Smith

Kathi Stewart

Elizabeth and Jim Vann

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