

Easter Day

March 31, 2013

The Memorial Bell tolls nine / eleven times before the processional hymn

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is risen today



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n 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 heav'n-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 heav'n-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!

Celebrant ✠ Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People ***Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

Celebrant 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.***

SONG OF PRAISE

Alleluia, alleluia!

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Refrain



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



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his Name.

Stanzas



1. Je - sus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of cre - a - tion.
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Je - sus has died and has ri - sen.
4. Come, let us praise the liv - ing God, joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

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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 People are seated

THE FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to the 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.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

THE PSALM

Psalm 118:14-17, 22-24

Peter R. Hallock

The Cantor sings the refrain

Introduction Cantor/People

On this day the Lord has act-ed, we will re-joice and be glad in it.

All repeat the refrain

Choir 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:

All repeat the refrain

HYMN AT THE GOSPEL

GELOBT SEI GOTT

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

Begin the Gospel procession at stanza 2



1. Good Chris-tians all, re-joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2. The Lord of life is ris'n to - day! Sing songs of praise a -
3. Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
4. Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
can-not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:



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

THE GOSPEL

John 20:1-18

Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Repeated three times

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

THE SERMON

The People are seated

THE NICENE CREED

The Vested Ministers stand and move to the front of the chancel

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

- Leader* Risen Christ, raise to new life all in our world
that has fallen;
- People* ***Just as you broke the chains of death and sin,
restore all your creatures to light and life.***
- Leader* Give your Church faith to see
and lips to tell of your wondrous acts;
- People* ***Open our eyes to behold and mouths to proclaim
your mercy and love.***
- Leader* Hold this community, the nation,
and the world in the palm of your hand;
guard and uphold all members of our armed forces;
guide our leaders in the ways of justice and peace;
- People* ***Inspire our hearts and hands
to heal the wounds of the world.***
- Leader* Visit and comfort all who suffer in body, mind, or soul;
- People* ***Heal their hurts and raise their spirits.***
- Leader* ☩ And on the last day raise us with all your saints;
- People* ***That having served you in our own generation,
we may join in the everlasting joys of heaven.***
- Celebrant* O Christ, whose empty tomb opened the eyes of the world:
Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold you in all your redeeming
work; who lives and reigns with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

- 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 Christ

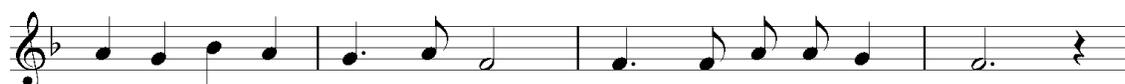
Again and again, you called us to return.

Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law.

And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman,
to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
and with all those in every generation
who have looked to you in hope,
to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*[The People continue to stand as able;
the Crucifer moves to the Sanctus bell]*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the Spirit,
now bring before you these gifts.
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit
to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread,
said the blessing, broke the bread,
and gave it to his friends, and said,
“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

[The Crucifer rings the Sanctus bell three times]

After supper he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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.”

[The Crucifer rings the Sanctus bell three times]

Remembering now his work of redemption,
and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving:

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers:

God of Abraham and Sarah,

Isaac and Rebekah,

Jacob and Rachel;

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us.

Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table

for solace only, and not for strength;

for pardon only, and not for renewal.

✠ Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body,
one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father,
 through Jesus Christ our great High Priest,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 your Church gives honor, glory, and worship,
 from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

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

Together ***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, forever and ever. Amen.***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

[The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread in silence]



1. Sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord;
 3. Christ's re-sur - rec-tion sets us free;
 4. There - fore we ce - le-bratethe feast;



sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord. Sing hal - le - lu - jah,
 Christ's re-sur - rec-tion sets us free. there-fore we ce - le-bratethe feast.



sing hal - le - lu - jah, sing hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord.
 Christ's re-sur - rec-tion sets us free.
 there-fore we ce - le-bratethe feast.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
 Holy things for holy people.

[The Vested Ministers remain standing during Communion.]
Communion Music texts may be found in the bulletin.

Hymn

MFURAHINI, HELELUYA

Christ has arisen, alleluia!



1. Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia! Re - jice and
2. For three long days the grave did its worst un - til its
3. The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear! You look for
4. "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. He has a -
5. Christ has a - ris - en to set us free. Al - le - lu -



praise him, al - le - lu - ia! For our Re - deem - er
strength by God was dis - persed. He who gives life did
Je - sus who is not here. See for your - selves the
ris - en this world to save. Je - sus' re - deem - ing
ia, to him prais - es be. Je - sus is liv - ing!



burst from the tomb, e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
death un - der - go, and in its con - quest his might did show.
tomb is all bare. On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
la - bors are done. E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
Let us all sing; he reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful



sting he has come to de - stroy. Our sin for - giv - ing,



al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Hymn

NOËL NOUVELET

Now the green blade riseth



1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain,
 thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
 quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:



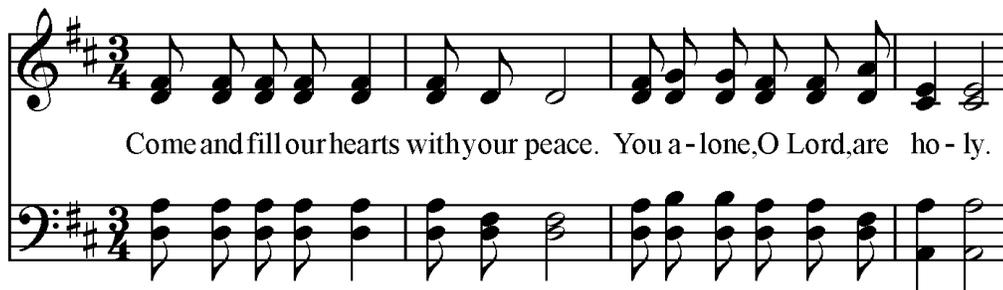
Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

Chant

Jacques Berthier

Come and fill our hearts

The People are invited to sing the chant until all have received Communion



THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant In Resurrection joy, let us rise and pray.

[Gesture for the People to stand!]

Together ***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 BLESSING

Celebrant 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.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN

FORTUNATUS

“Welcome, happy morning!”

Begin the exit procession at stanza 4



1. “Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!” age to age shall say:
2. Earth her joy con - fess - es, cloth - ing her for spring,
4. Ma - ker and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,
5. Thou, of life the au - thor, death didst un - der - go,



hell to - day is van - quished, heav'n is won to - day!
all fresh gifts re - turned with her re - turn - ing King:
thou from heav'n be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture's fall,
tread the path of dark - ness, sav - ing strength to show;



Lo! the dead is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!
bloom in ev - 'ry mea - dow, leaves on ev - 'ry bough,
of the Fa - ther's God - head true and on - ly Son,
come then, true and faith - ful, now ful - fill thy word,



Him their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore!
speak his sor - row end - ed, hail his tri - umph now.
man - kind to de - liv - er, man - hood didst put on.
'tis thine own third morn - ing! rise, O bur - ied Lord!



“Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!” age to age shall say.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!