EASTER DAY

Park Street Church | April 9, 2023

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SERVICE of WORSHIP and HOLY BAPTISM

Where have moved from the 40-day season of Lent into the 50-day season of Eastertide. Today we begin a time of joyful celebration and feasting as we glory in Jesus' resurrection from the dead. In our sanctuary, the mournful purple and blood-red of Lent and Holy Week have been replaced with white and gold; somber hymns give way to our most joyous anthems and we reintroduce *alleluias* into worship. Alleluia simply means, "Praise the Lord," and the Christian family around the globe resounds in praise: "Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously." (Exodus 15:1)

Eastertide is a season that focuses on new life. In the resurrection, new life springs forth from the grave by the power of God. We celebrate the historical, bodily resurrection of our Lord as evidence of the fact that life has indeed conquered death. The resurrection proves unambiguously that God is the final victor in the battle between light and darkness. Our greatest enemy is vanquished and the new life we see in Jesus on Easter morning has come (in part) and is coming (in full) to all those who trust in him. There is a reason to shout *alleluia!* Jesus is alive!

Welcome to Park Street Church! We're glad you're worshiping with us today. If you're new, please take a look at the "NEW" section on the back cover for some ways to connect with us.

This bulletin contains instructions (usually next to the pilcrow symbol \P) and explanations meant to help us fully participate in our worship of God. The People read or sing **bold text** with a loud voice. You do not need to wait for verbal instruction before standing or sitting where indicated. Scripture is taken from the English Standard Version.

THE PRELUDE

Music is played by the musicians, preparing us in body and mind to enter the presence of God.
Sinfonia, from Cantata 29
J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

THE INTROIT

Christ has conquered, Christ, our sovereign, Christ reigns for evermore!

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto, *Alleluia*. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Alleluia.

Words & Music: 1963 | Joseph Noyon, arr. Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

¶ Immediately at the conclusion of the Introit, the People stand.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

- Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- *Leader* Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.
- People Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Easter Hymn



- "Christ the Lord is risen today," Alleluia! sons of men and angels say. Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia! sing, ye heavens, and earth reply! Alleluia! (&c)
- Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the battle won.
 Death in vain forbids him rise; Christ has opened paradise.
- Lives again our glorious King; where, O death, is now thy sting? Dying once, he all doth save; where thy victory, O grave?
- 4. Hymns of praise then let us sing, unto Christ, our heavenly King, who endured the cross and grave, sinners to redeem and save.
- 5. Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head, made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Words: st. 1-3, 5 1739 | Charles Wesley (1707-1788); st. 4 1749 | John Arnold, trans. from 14th c. Latin Music: *Easter Hymn* 1708 | *Lyra Davidica*; adapt. 1749 | *The Compleat Psalmodist* 77. 77 with Alleluias

THE INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

¶ Led by the Elder

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 coming day's bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into trial, but deliver us from the Evil One. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

LeaderAlleluia, Alleluia. The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

¶ Greet one another in the peace of Christ. Following the Peace, the People sit.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FIRST LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4

"If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

O Sing Unto the Lord a New Song

O sing unto the Lord a new song, for he hath done marvelous things. With his own right hand, and with his holy arm hath he gotten himself the victory. *Alleluia*.

It behoveth Christ to suffer and to rise again from the dead: and so to enter into his glory. *Alleluia*.

Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. *Alleluia*.

With a voice of singing declare ye this and let it be known. Utter it even unto the ends of the world: The Lord hath delivered his people.

O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of his Name. Make his praise to be glorious, *Alleluia*. *Alleluia*, *Amen*.

Words: Psalm 98, Luke 24, Romans 6, Isaiah 48, Psalm 66 Music: 1966 | Healey Willan (1880–1968)

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 27:62-28:15

"The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³ and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise.' ⁶⁴ Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." ⁶⁵ Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can." ⁶⁶ So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

28 Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." 8 So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

¹¹ While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. ¹² And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers ¹³ and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.'¹⁴ And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." ¹⁵ So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day."

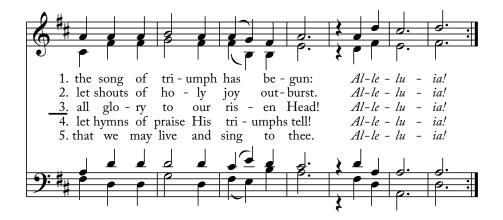
ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

¶ The People stand.

The Strife is O'er

Victory







Words: Medieval Latin trans: 1861 | Francis Pott (1832-1909) Music: *Victory*, 1591 | G. P. Palestrina (1525-1594) adapt: 1861 | William Henry Monk (1823-1889) 888 with Alleluias

¶ Following the prayer, the People sit.

THE SERMON

God's Prevailing Power

Mark Booker

THE HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Nº 274 Thine Be The Glory

¶ The People sit.

MACCABEUS

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Exhortation & The Examination of Parents

Profession of the One Faith

Question Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

- *Question* Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?
- Answer I renounce them.
- *Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?
- Answer I do.
- *Question* Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Answer I do.

Question Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Answer I will, with the Lord's help.

¶ The People stand.

Minister Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *this person* in *his* life in Christ?

People We will.

¶ The Minister then says

Let us join with *this Candidate* to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People	I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Minister	Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?
People	I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. 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.

Minister Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

PeopleI do. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer for the Candidates

¶ The Minister prays, concluding with

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

¶ The People sit.

The Baptism

_____, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

_____, do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, to fight bravely under his banner against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue as his faithful soldier and servant to the end of your days. **Amen.**

The Presentation

THE PRAYERS

¶ After all of the candidates have been presented, the Minister leads the People in prayer, the People kneeling or sitting.

THE OFFERTORY

 \P The People sit. The offering plates are passed. Music is offered to the Lord.

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus: *This is the day which the Lord hath made:* exultemus et laetemur in ea. *let us be glad and rejoice therein.*

Alleluia.

Words: Psalm 118:24 (traditional antiphon for Easter Day) Music: William Byrd (c. 1540–1623)

HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Nº 267 The Day of Resurrection

LANCASHIRE

THE BENEDICTION

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen. People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE

¶ The People may sit or leave quietly. Please be respectful of those listening to the music in the sanctuary or via the livestream.

Toccata, from Symphony No. 5

C. M. Widor (1844–1937)

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

	Mark Booker, Senior Minister			
	Nathan Skinner, Director of Music & Organist			
Assisting Ministers				
	Damian Long, Minister of Small Groups & Young Adults			
	9:00 Michael Balboni, Associate Minister			
	Tim Leary, Director of Graduate Student Ministry			
	11:00 Adam Herndon, Minister to Families & Youth			
	Tammy McLeod, Director of College Student Ministry			
Elders	9:00 John Liu			
	11:00 Jason Abraham, <i>moderator</i>			
Lay Readers	9:00 Christine Vasko			
	11:00 Jill VanderWoude			
Musicians	Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music			
	The Patrick Henry College Chorale; Rodney Appleton, Director			
	The Park Street Orchestra			
CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM	Annika Crawford			
	Wolu Chukwu-Douglas			
	Anji Zhang			
	Nuru Saki Isaiah Oleng', son of Nicolette Oleng'			

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EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Given by	In memory of	Given by	In memory of
Communion Setup Team The Wegiel Family	David Freeman Stanley Tow	Mabel Sorett Harvey &	Ruth Winn
Stacy	Eva, Matt & Peggy		Marjery Katleen Armstrong
The Peltz Family	Dr. Gerald F. Seitz		Mary Grace Yarborough
	Ernest & Doris Peltz		Matthew Eagles
Eunjeong Lee	Changkeun Lee	U	Lucy McKewen Porter "Gram"
	& Jungbong Kim		Jim & Sally Diffenderfer
Anne Montague	Fred McCormick	i eg Dillenderier	parents of Peg
C	Allan & Marian Emery	The Hughes Family	Charlie, Everett, Joyce,
	Paul & Eva Toms	The Trughes Failing	& Dave Grassie
Christine, Carolyn, Paul,		The Linnell Family	John & Mary Linnell
& Elise Vasko	Christopher L. Vasko	The Emilien Failing	Joseph Miller II
Deborah & Walter Waite,	2	Michael &	Joseph Willer 11
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	Daniel J. Cambourelis–Haskins	Wai-Ling Chan	Eleanor Ruth Bruce
	Eleanor Bruce		Baby Nigh, January 2023
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	Clyde Austin	Mr. Ed Mrs. Kunz	Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert G.
	Charles Austin	1011. O 10110. Rull2	Huntington
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Carol Scott	Daniel Scott	Her Family	
	Jacqueline Mason	The Larson Family	
	Joseph Grimaldi	,	Jutta Gerendas
Leslie Bodkin	Barbara Bodkin		Lois Barndt
	Joanne Ludwig	The Coram Family	Gary Coram
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NEW?

Welcome to Park Street Church! We're glad you are here, and we invite you to become a part of this community of Jesus' disciples. Wherever you are coming from and whatever questions you are asking, we welcome you to join us as we seek to become more like Jesus.

Here are some specific steps you can take to connect:

• Fill out a **Connect card** in the pews and hand it to an usher or drop it in the offering plate. You can also visit **parkstreet.org** or scan the **QR code** at the right. We'll be in touch.



- Meet an elder or minister at the **Info Desk** in the Welcome Center (one floor below the sanctuary) and pick up a **Welcome booklet** and an **Engage flyer**.
- RSVP to the invitation you receive for the Newcomers' Lunch on the third Sunday of the month, where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community, and ask questions. We look forward to knowing you better!

