



# EASTER DAY

Park Street Church | March 31, 2024

## SERVICE of WORSHIP and HOLY BAPTISM

**W**e 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 pincrow symbol ☩) 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.*

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### THE PRELUDE

☩ *Music is played by the musicians, preparing us in body and mind to enter the presence of God.*

Sinfonia, from *Easter Oratorio*

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

### THE INTROIT

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

### THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Christ the Lord is Risen Today'. It consists of five systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The music is in common time (C) and features a mix of chords and melodic lines. The first system starts with a treble staff containing a series of chords and a bass staff with a similar harmonic structure. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The third system introduces a key signature change to one sharp (F#) in the treble staff. The fourth system continues the piece. The fifth system concludes the hymn with a double bar line.

1. "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!* (♩)

2. Love's redeeming work is done,  
fought the fight, the battle won.  
Death in vain forbids him rise;  
Christ has opened paradise.

3. 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.

## 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

*Leader* Alleluia, Alleluia. The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with your spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

¶ *Greet one another with "Christ is risen!" Following the Peace, the People sit.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE FIRST LESSON

*Acts 10:34-43*

So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality,<sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.<sup>36</sup> As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all),<sup>37</sup> you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed:<sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.<sup>39</sup> And we are witnesses of all that he did both

in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree,<sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear,<sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.<sup>42</sup> And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.<sup>43</sup> To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE ANTHEM

### Most Glorious Lord of Life

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day,  
didst make thy triumph over death and sin:  
and having harrowed hell,<sup>†</sup> didst bring away  
captivity thence captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin,  
and grant that we for whom thou didst die,  
being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin,  
may live for ever in felicity.<sup>†</sup>

And that thy love we weighing worthily,  
may likewise love thee for the same again:  
and for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy,<sup>†</sup>  
with love may one another entertain.<sup>†</sup>

So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought,  
love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

<sup>†</sup> **harrow:** *plunder, torment, wreak havoc* | **felicity:** *gladness, joy* | **dear:** (word play) adj. “*cherished, valuable*”—but also adv. “*at a high cost.*” The whole line paraphrased: “and for [Jesus’s] sake, who bought all [his cherished] people at similarly great cost” | **entertain:** literally “hold together,” give attention.

Words: Sonnet 68 | Edmund Spenser (1552–1599)

Music: 2004 | Gary Davison (b. 1961)

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Mark 16:1-8*

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” <sup>4</sup> And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” <sup>8</sup> And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

The Strife is O'er

VICTORY

*Antiphon (sing before stanza 1)*

The image shows a musical score for an antiphon. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style. The lyrics 'Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!' are written below the notes. The first staff has a fermata over the final note, and the second staff has a fermata over the final note.

Words: Medieval Latin, tr. 1861 | Francis Pott (1832-1909)

Music: *Victory*, 1591 | G. P. Palestrina (1525-1594) adapt: 1861 | William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;  
 2. The pow'rs of death have done their worst;  
 3. The three sad days are quick - ly sped;  
 4. He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell;  
 5. Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed thee,

1. the vic - to - ry of life is won;  
 2. but Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed;  
 3. he ris - es glo - rious from the dead;  
 4. the bars from heaven's high por - tals fell;  
 5. from death's dread sting thy ser - vants free,

1. the song of tri - umph has be - gun: *Al - le - lu - ia!*  
 2. let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. *Al - le - lu - ia!*  
 3. all glo - ry to our ris - en Head! *Al - le - lu - ia!*  
 4. let hymns of praise His tri - umphs tell! *Al - le - lu - ia!*  
 5. that we may live and sing to thee. *Al - le - lu - ia!*

Antiphon (sing after stanza 5)

*Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!*

¶ *Following the prayer, the People sit.*

## THE SERMON

Resurrection Reactions

Mark Booker

## THE HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº 274 Thine Be The Glory

MACCABEUS

¶ *The People sit.*

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*The Exhortation*

*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 *their* 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?

*People* **I 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 PRAYERS

¶ *The People stand as the Minister leads them in thanksgiving for the newly baptized, and in prayer for the church, the world, the sick, and the suffering.*

THE OFFERTORY

¶ *The People sit. The offering plates are passed. Music is offered to the Lord.*

At the Name of Jesus

Christ Jesus, being in the form of God, emptied himself,  
Being in the form of a servant,  
in human likeness, Christ has humbled himself,  
and become obedient unto death—even death on a cross.

*Alleluia.*

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,  
in heaven and earth, and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!  
God has exalted Christ!

†In him is gladness, gone is all sadness,  
Christ who once was dead is raised.

Here where they laid him, death has not stay'd him,  
now and e'er let him be praised!

*Alleluia, Amen.*

†This Lutheran hymn is superimposed on Clausen's setting of the Philippians text, making explicit how "God has exalted Christ."

Words: Phil. 2:5–11 | with *In Thee is Gladness* 1549 | J. Lindemann (1550–1631)

Music: René Clausen (b. 1953) | with *In Thee is Gladness* 1593 | G. Gastoldi

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## H Y M N

¶ *The People stand.*

N<sup>o</sup> 267 The Day of Resurrection

LANCASHIRE

## T H E B E N E D I C T I O N

¶ *In this Kenyan Benediction, it is customary for the People to sweep a hand toward the cross during the first three responses, and toward the heavens during the final response.*

All our problems

**We send to the cross of Christ.**

All our difficulties

**We send to the cross of Christ.**

All the devil's works

**We send to the cross of Christ.**

All our hopes

**We set on the risen Christ.**

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## T H E P O S T L U D E

¶ *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 Adam Herndon, *Minister to Families*

Randall Wetzig, *Assistant Minister*

Christine May, *Minister to Women*

Leonard Mosiah, *Minister to Youth*

ELDERS 9:00 Geoffrey Raux, *moderator-elect*

11:00 Jason Abraham, *moderator*

LAY READERS 9:00 Jill VanderWoude

11:00 Christine Vasko

MUSICIANS Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*

The Park Street Orchestra

CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM Landon Freytag

Declan Freytag

Cora Murgatroyd

Zachary Williams

*A complete staff directory can be found at [parkstreet.org/staff](http://parkstreet.org/staff)*

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## EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

<i>Given by</i>	<i>In memory of</i>	<i>Given by</i>	<i>In memory of</i>
The Abraham Family	<i>John Abraham</i>	Jennifer Lacano	<i>Abelardo Lacano</i>
Irene Anderson	<i>Martin A. Anderson</i>	Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Hal Leaman</i>
Austin & O'Mahony Families	<i>Charles &amp; Rosabelle Austin, Clyde Austin, &amp; Robert Austin</i>	Leslie Bodkin	<i>Joanne Ludwig</i>
Lois's family	<i>Lois Barndt</i>	Carol Scott	<i>Jacqueline Mason</i>
The Larson Family	<i>Lois Barndt</i>	Anne Montague	<i>Anne Montague</i>
Julie Deligiannides	<i>Erietta Deligiannides Baxter</i>	Lauren Cleckley	<i>Louise McCullough</i>
Freytag Family	<i>Jane Blair</i>	Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Betty Moberger</i>
The Adamah Family	<i>Gerhardt Bobroske &amp; Beverly Bobroske</i>	Gary Hawkins	<i>Robert Morrison</i>
Leslie Bodkin	<i>Barbara Bodkin</i>	Tom, Janese, & Jack Newell	<i>Rick Newell, Sr.</i>
Jill VanderWoude	<i>Judy Bowen</i>	Tracy Noga	<i>William &amp; Nancy Noga</i>
Rendall Howell & Nancy Hill	<i>Ruby Kitchen Bradley &amp; Elizabeth Hill</i>	Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Phil Norcross</i>
Ruth & Barbara Brescia	<i>Michael &amp; Catherine Brescia</i>	The Peltz Family	<i>Doris &amp; Ernest Peltz, Dr. Gerald Seitz</i>
The Larson Family	<i>Michael &amp; Catherine Brescia</i>	The Young Family	<i>Sam &amp; Lucy Porter</i>
The Sanctuary Choir	<i>Michael Brescia</i>	Carol Scott	<i>Daniel J. Scott</i>
Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Michael Brescia</i>	Lori (Spinella)	
The Bruce Family	<i>Eleanor Bruce</i>	Beverage & Family	<i>Salvatore "Sam" Spinella &amp; Patricia Silk Spinella</i>
The Coram Family	<i>Gary Coram</i>	David & Barbara Stadig	<i>Emilie Stadig</i>
Gayle Crenier	<i>Peter Thomas Crenier</i>	The Johnston Family	<i>Richard &amp; Carol Steuart</i>
Michael, Julianne, & Caleb White	<i>James Crapps</i>	The Bodley Family	<i>Cecile Testa</i>
Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Dorothy Delandis</i>	The Young Family	<i>James &amp; Anna Thweatt</i>
Peg Diffenderfer	<i>Jim &amp; Sarah Diffenderfer</i>	Anne Montague	<i>Paul &amp; Eva Toms</i>
Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Marion Dowdell</i>	The Wegiel Family	<i>Stanley Tow</i>
Irene Anderson	<i>Birgitta E Anderson ElHajj</i>	Kathryn Urban & David	
Anne Montague	<i>Allan &amp; Marian Emery</i>	Koehler-Stanescu	<i>Philip Urban</i>
Gayle Crenier	<i>Beverly &amp; Tom Flesischman</i>	Christine, Paul, & Elise Vasko,	
Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Marge Frantz</i>	Carolyn Babbe	<i>Christopher L. Vasko</i>
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Peg Diffenderfer	<i>Alma Fry</i>	Deborah & Walter Waite	<i>Barbara D. Whalen</i>
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The Young Family	<i>Richard &amp; Christine Gouldin</i>	Woman's Benevolent Society	<i>Rick Wuori</i>
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Jen & Kyle Vogan	<i>George St. James</i>		
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The Bruce Family	<i>Roland Kunibholm &amp; Joanne Kunibholm</i>		
Retired Cmdr. Chester A Kunz Jr	<i>Chester &amp; Mrs. (Carolyn) Kunz</i>		



## 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](http://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!





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