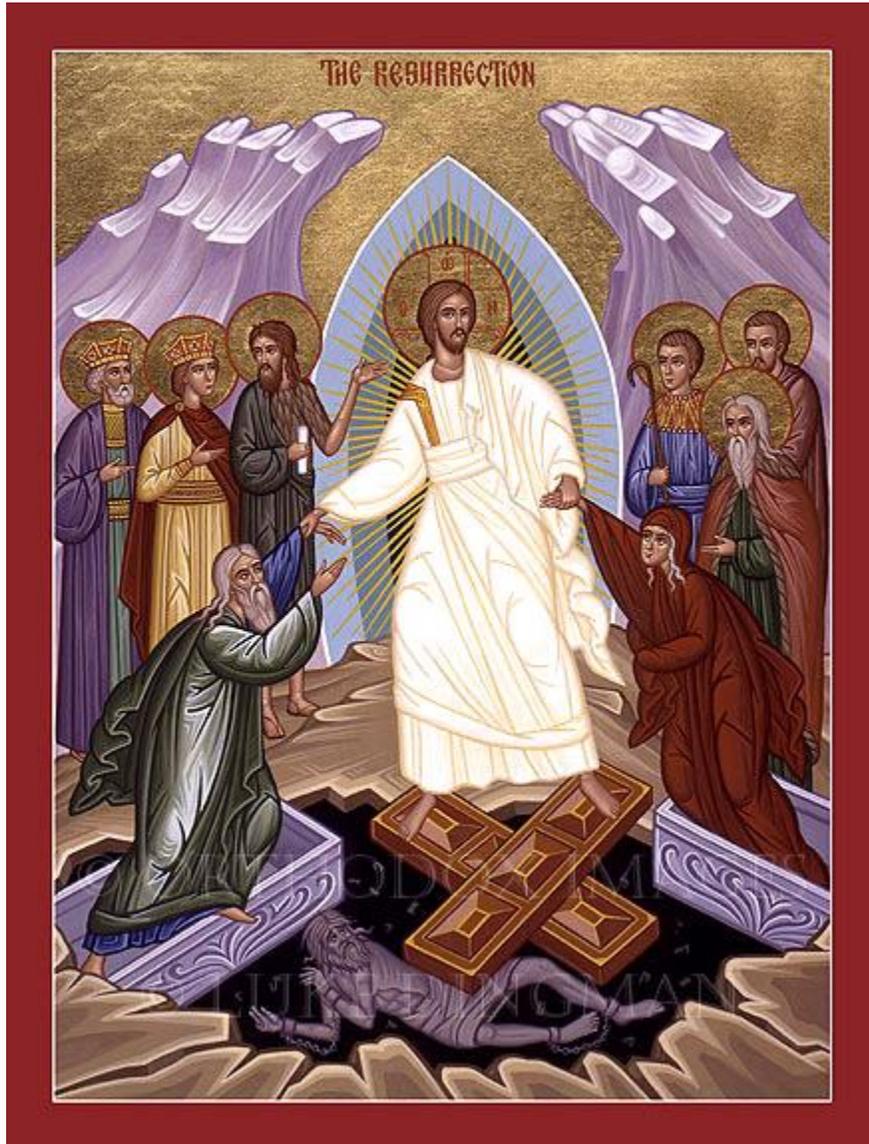


**ST. JAMES HOUSE OF PRAYER
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAMPA, FL**



**EASTER DAY
THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
April 12, 2020**

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We praise God for the Resurrection of His Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ!

Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!

Descant

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 Easter Acclamation

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The Officiant and People together say the Collect for Purity

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 Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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 forever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lord speaks to us in scripture and preaching about how He has saved all humankind from the power of death by raising His Son to life again. We respond by proclaiming our belief, praying for the world, and greeting one another in His Name.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (*read 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 severely, 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 the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

Colossians 3:1-4

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

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of two staves each. The first system begins with a *Descant* section, followed by the *Refrain*. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, 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.

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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. Al - le -
 Now we shall live for ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

The Deacon announces the Gospel, saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

John 20:1-18

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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev'd Dr. Steve Clifton

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 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

Christ is risen! The heavenly choirs of angels rejoice, the earth exults, and the Church is glad. Therefore I ask you, who praise the loving-kindness of almighty God, to join in prayer for all of God's people, and for all people everywhere according to their needs. That all may know the benefits of the paschal victory of Christ, we pray, saying: The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

Almighty and merciful God, we give you thanks for those who have come through the waters of rebirth into the promised land of your eternal kingdom. Guide all your baptized people and our leaders, who struggle to know and to do your will in the kingdoms of this world, that by their lives they may show forth the new life in Christ to all nations, remembering especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Steve, our priest; Lynn our deacon, and all the faithful of St. James House of Prayer; for Christ is risen:

The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

We give you thanks for those who are chosen to lead in the struggle for peace and justice in the world, remembering especially President Donald Trump, Governor Ron DeSantis, our local authorities, and all the members of the United Nations. Guide their efforts, that they may act with prudence and vision to plant the signs of your dominion in the earth, for Christ is risen:

The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

We give you thanks for those who celebrate special days or special blessings this week, remembering especially Art Dunnigan and Karla Edwards on their birthdays, for Christ is risen:

The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

We give you thanks that Mary Magdalene found healing in her encounter with the risen Christ. Give wholeness and peace to all those in need: the unloved and the forgotten, the poor and the hungry, and all who need your healing touch, remembering especially Margaret, Betsy, Father Al, Faye, Lucia, Eugene, Denise, Shirly, Mercedes, and Lydia, for Christ is risen:

The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

We give you thanks for the abiding presence of your Son in word and sacrament. As we feast this Easter Day on Jesus, the true bread from heaven, set our minds on things above, that we may gain a new perspective on the things that are on earth, for Christ is risen:

The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

We give you thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith, who now rest from their labors in your presence. May we, like them, remain faithful to the end and share in the fruits of the victory of Christ, the Paschal Lamb who takes away the sin of the world, for Christ is risen:

The Lord is risen indeed – Alleluia!

Hear our prayers on behalf of those for whom we pray, and give us peace in this time of our Easter rejoicing, for the sake of our risen and exalted Lord, your Son Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Confession is omitted on Easter Sunday.

The Peace

Officiant The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

People **Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!**

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

As a way of sharing the Peace of the Risen Christ, reach out to someone – family, friend, or stranger – and wish them Happy Easter!

The Offertory

1 Low in the grave he lay— Je - sus, my Sav - ior; wait - ing the
2 Vain - ly they watch his bed— Je - sus, my Sav - ior; vain - ly they
3 Death can-not keep its prey— Je - sus, my Sav - ior; he tore the
com-ing day— Je - sus, my Lord.
seal the dead— Je - sus, my Lord. Up from the grave he a-rose,
bars a - way— Je - sus, my Lord. *He a-rose!*
with a might-y tri-umph o'er his foes. *He a-rose!* He a-rose a vic-tor
from the dark do-main, and he lives for - ev - er with his saints to reign!
He a-rose! He a-rose! He a-rose! He a-rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!

Those wishing to make an offering today are welcome to do so by clicking [HERE](#) or by visiting our website, sjhoptpa.org, and clicking under the "Support Us" text. You can mail your gift to SJHOP, 2708 N. Central Ave, Tampa FL 33602.

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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 SENDING OUT OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE

We go out into the world having met the risen Lord to carry on the work of the women at the tomb, telling of His resurrection and the world's salvation.

The Easter Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

He is risen, He is risen!

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
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 - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
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
ris - en to a ho - li - er 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.
Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

The Easter Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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To God alone be the glory!