

# ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## EASTER

### *Easter Worship Booklet*

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*Welcome to St. George's! We are blessed by your attendance at our worship today.*

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# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

## Processional Hymn

“He is Risen, He is Risen”

Hymn 180

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 - diant 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.

# The Word of God

## Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

*The Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

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

*The Celebrant then says the following prayer that our hearts may be made pure for worship*

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 Trisagion

BCP 356

Lord, have mercy.

***Christ, have mercy.***

Lord, have mercy..

## **The Collect of the Day**

Celebrant     The Lord be with you.

*People*       *And also with you.*

Celebrant     Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **The First Lesson**

**Acts 3:12-19**

A Reading (Lesson) from Acts.

Peter addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

*At the end of the lesson, the reader will conclude with*

The Word of the Lord.

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

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

*Then, all standing the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying*  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke.

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

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

*At the end of the lesson, the reader will conclude with*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Homily**

**The Rev. Robin Reeves-Kautz**

**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.***



**We invite your prayers of thanksgiving and supplication at this time.**

**Thank you God that you are \_\_\_\_\_.**  
*(King of Kings and Lord of Lords, sovereign, gracious, creator, redeemer, sustainer, loving, merciful, covenant maker, promise keeper—we worship and adore you)*

**Thank you for blessing us with \_\_\_\_\_.**  
*(new life through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, Hope for our future blessings, a loving family, friends, nice weather, health, good food, work, a way back to you through Jesus Christ)*

**We pray Thy Will Be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven.**

**Thank you for \_\_\_\_\_.**  
*(a loving faith community, your peace in the midst of life's challenges, healing, loving us while we were still sinners and when we've denied you.)*

**Forgive us for \_\_\_\_\_** *(our wrath, envy, lust, gluttony, pride, greed, and slothfulness, our complacency, not putting you first, not having faith over fear, for trusting things of this world over you).*

**We forgive others (systems & institutions) for \_\_\_\_\_**  
*(inciting violence, spreading fear, betraying us) as we have been forgiven.*

**We pray you give us \_\_\_\_\_.**  
*(humility, generosity, moderation, patience, temperance, charity, diligence)*

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil of \_\_\_\_\_.**  
*(hatred, fear, apathy, luke-warm faith, pride, doing life on our own and not relying on you)*

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

**BCP 359**

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.***

*The Priest says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

## **The Peace**

**BCP 360**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People And also with you.***

## **The Blessing**

## **Recessional Hymn**

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord” Hymn 178

*Descant*



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

*Refrain*



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

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## **The Dismissal** *(after the recessional hymn)*

**Celebrant** Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

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

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,

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.

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Music: *Alleluia No. 1*, Donald Fishel (b. 1950); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928), Charles Mallory (b. 1950) and George Mims (b. 1938)