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ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE PRELUDE

### OPENING HYMN 207 v. 1 and 4 • Jesus Christ is Risen Today • Easter Hymn

Jesus Christ is risen today, Al-le-lu-ia!  
our triumphant holy day, Al-le-lu-ia!  
who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing we to our God above Al-le-lu-ia!  
praise eternal as his love; Al-le-lu-ia!  
praise him, all ye heavenly host, Al-le-lu-ia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia!

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

*Officiant* 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 • HYMN 180 v. 1 • He is Risen, He is Risen! • Unser Herrscher

He is risen, he is risen!  
Tell it out with joyful voice:  
he has burst his three days' prison;  
let the whole wide earth rejoice:  
death is conquered, we are free,  
Christ has won the victory.

*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 for ever. Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### 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."

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24 • Confitemini Domino

*The Leader and the People read the psalm responsively by whole verse.*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 **Let Israel now proclaim, \***  
**"His mercy endures for ever."**
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 **There is a sound of exultation and victory \***  
**in the tents of the righteous:**
- 16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"
- 17 **I shall not die, but live, \***  
**and declare the works of the Lord.**
- 18 The Lord has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 **Open for me the gates of righteousness; \***  
**I will enter them;**  
**I will offer thanks to the Lord.**
- 20 "This is the gate of the Lord; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 **I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \***  
**and have become my salvation.**
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 **This is the Lord's doing, \***  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

GRADUAL HYMN 182 v. 1, 5 • Christ is Alive • Truro

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
His cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! His Spirit burns  
through this and every future age,  
till all creation lives and learns  
his joy, his justice, love, and praise.

A reading from the Gospel according to John.

JOHN 20:1-18

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 Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE • The Rev. Laura Cochran

THE SERMON • The Rev. Dr. John DeWitt Stonesifer

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 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

Adapted from prayers written by the Diocese of Algoma, Anglican Church of Canada  
*The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Leader* Our God loves the world with an everlasting love, faithful continuously in all times and places. That all peoples may witness the power of God and with us declare, "God's steadfast love endures forever," let us lift our hearts in prayer as we say:

*People* **May your Holy Spirit guide us into truth.**

*Leader* God our strength, who has raised us with Christ. We pray for your church, especially in the Diocese of Virginia, the people of this congregation of St. Anne's, and the clergy serving them. Place the testimony of Mary Magdalene and Peter in our mouths. Set our hearts on things above. May we declare with joy and boldness, "The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!" To you we lift our hearts, O God:

*People* **May your Holy Spirit guide us into truth.**

*Leader* God, whose Messiah is Sovereign of all, we pray for the nations and peoples of the earth, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world. Breathe resurrection life into those suffocated by death's power, stir the conscience and heart of all who govern, and say to the troubled of our world, "Be not afraid!" To you we lift our hearts, O God:

*People* **May your Holy Spirit guide us into truth.**

*Leader* God of faithful surprises, throughout the ages you have made known your love and power in unexpected ways and places. Help us daily to perceive the joy and wonder of your abiding presence in our community. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, that we may offer our lives in gratitude for our redemption. To you we lift our hearts, O God:

*People* **May your Holy Spirit guide us into truth.**

*Leader* God who calls forth life from death, we pray for those longing for deliverance from fear or anxiety, weeping or despair, sickness or any other affliction, especially those we now name either silently or aloud... Become the salvation of those who call out to you and reveal grace in wilderness places. To you we lift our hearts, O God:

*People* **May your Holy Spirit guide us into truth.**

*Leader* God of the living and the dead, we remember those whom we love but see no longer, especially those we now name either silently or aloud... Open the gates of righteousness and awaken those who sleep. May the beloved rejoice, "I shall not die, but live, and recount the deeds of the Lord." To you we lift our hearts, O God:

*People* **May your Holy Spirit guide us into truth.**

*Officiant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion on all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Officiant* 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.**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant* Let us pray.

**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 PEACE

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE BLESSING

*Officiant* 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 for ever. **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 for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 376 v. 1, 3 • Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee • Hymn to Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

*The People are dismissed with these words*

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

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE POSTLUDE