

Easter Day Festival Eucharist

10:30 AM
April 5th, 2026



Church of the Apostles
Coppell, Texas

The Rt. Rev. Robert Price, Bishop
The Rev. Timothy B. Cherry, Rector

PRESERVICE

MORNING HAS BROKEN

Farjeon/Gaelic melody

Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing! Fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

FAIREST LORD JESUS

Fairest Lord Jesus; Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God and man the Son. Thee will I Cherish;
Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows; Fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring. Jesus is fairer;
Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine; Fairer still the moonlight
and all the twinkling starry host. Jesus shines brighter;
Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and Honor,
praise, adoration, now and forever more be Thine!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

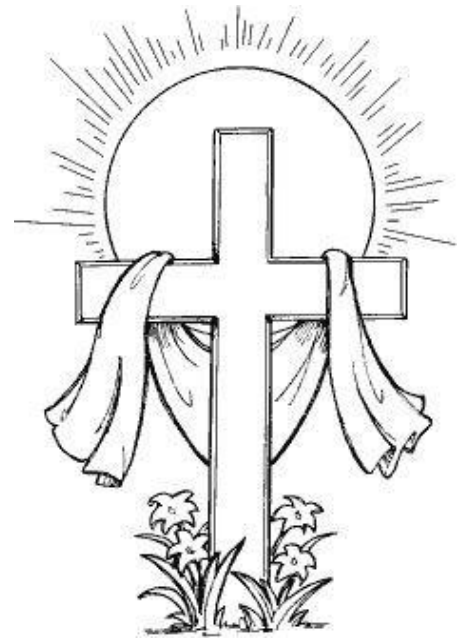
Wesley

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!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save: Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won; Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise; Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise. Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!



THE WORD OF GOD

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

Priest: 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

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA! GIVE THANKS TO THE RISEN LORD!

Fishel

(refrain)

Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth ... He is the King of all creation. *(refrain)*

Spread the good news o'er all the earth ... Jesus has died and has risen. *(refrain)*

We have been crucified with Christ ... Now we shall live forever. *(refrain)*

THE COLLECT

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest 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.**

Reader

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord *Jesus Christ* according to Matthew.

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

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." (*Matthew 28:1-10*)

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed † eternal rest,
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for all of those on our parish prayer list. With Bishop Price, we pray for all those from our Diocesan family currently in immigration detention* ... and we invite you to lift up other names or needs now, whether you are in person or online. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*The People may add their own petitions. Please pray loudly enough for others to hear and add their "Amen".*)

Minister Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

Priest: 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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(* *Juan, Jose, Pedro, Ayoub, Nakisa, Afanseh, Evaristo, Mo, Barbod, Milad, Sahel, Farshid, Amir...*)

PRAYER FOR APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them where they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives: through *Jesus Christ* our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY

THE DOXOLOGY

Genevan Psalter (Old Hundredth)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye heavenly hosts;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your son *Jesus Christ* our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed † is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the Highest.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent *Jesus Christ*, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all... He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world... On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord *Jesus Christ* took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this † for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this † for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify † us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son *Jesus Christ*. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray (in song):

THE LORD'S PRAYER

King of Glory Mass/Pulkingham

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
Now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION

THANK YOU FOR THE CROSS LORD

Zschech

Thank you for the cross Lord
Thank you for the price You paid
Bearing all my sin and shame
In love You came... and gave amazing grace

Thank you for this love Lord
Thank you for the nail pierced hands
Washed me in Your cleansing flow
Now all I know ... Your forgiveness and embrace

(Chorus)

Worthy is the Lamb
Seated on the throne
Crown You now with many crowns
You reign victorious
High and lifted up
Jesus Son of God
The Lamb of Heaven crucified
Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb

CHRIST IS RISEN

Maher

Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame
We fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us
Freely You bled, for us

Chorus

Christ is risen from the dead
Trampling over death by death
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave
Christ is risen from the dead
We are one with Him again
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave

Oh death! Where is your sting?
Oh hell! Where is your victory?
Oh Church! Come stand in the light
The glory of God has defeated the night

Sing it, Oh death! Where is your sting?
Oh hell! Where is your victory?
Oh Church! Come stand in the light
Our God is not dead, He's alive, He's alive!

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior *Jesus Christ*;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

(sung by Choir)

RECESSIONAL HYMN

IN CHRIST ALONE

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In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world, by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the
 Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Easter lilies are given by

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