# The Feast of the Resurrection EASTER DAY



FESTIVAL HOLY EUCHARIST at 10:30A.M.

**APRIL 4, 2021** 

## IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

**Episcopal / Anglican** 

### THE GROVE AT VIRGINIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

3737 Seminary Road Alexandria, Virginia

#### **Prelude Music:**

Trumpet Tune William Boyce

Violin Concerto in G minor, Movement II

Tona Brown, violin

Felix Mendelssohn

In order to adhere to public health guidelines, we ask all on-site parishioners to refrain from singing during this service. In addition, we ask that all over the age of two wear a nose/mouth face covering at all times except during Communion. Finally, we ask that all maintain a 6-foot social distancing minimum. Thank you for adhering to our safety guidelines, and enabling Immanuel to provide a safe environment for worship.

#### **Opening Hymn 207** "Jesus Christ is risen today" (found in the The Hymnal 1982)

Easter Hymn

- 1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia! now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love, Alleluia! praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### The Collect of 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*.

Gloria (S280 found at the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Powell

Glory to god in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

#### The Collect of the Day

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 First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord Response: *Thanks be to God*.

#### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Confitemini Domino

- 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!"
- 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.
- 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.

#### The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 179 "Welcome, happy morning" (found in the The Hymnal 1982) verses 1, 2, and 5 Fortunatus

- 1 "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say: hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today! Lo! the Dead is living, God for evermore! Him their true Creator, all his works adore! "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.
- 2 Earth her joy confesses, clothing her for spring, all fresh gifts returned with her returning King: bloom in every meadow, leaves on every bough, speak his sorrow ended, hail his triumph now. "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.
- 5 Thou, of life the Author, death didst undergo, tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show; come then, true and faithful, now fulfill thy word, 'tis thine own third morning! rise, O buried Lord! "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

The Holy Gospel: John 20: 1-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John 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, Rabouni!" (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 Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Children's Homily: The Rev. Sam Sheridan

The Sermon: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

#### 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, who with the Father and the Son 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

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*.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

#### Silence

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

**The Offertory Anthem** "Since by man came death" from Messiah

George Frideric Handel

#### The Immanuel Virtual Choir

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

#### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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*.

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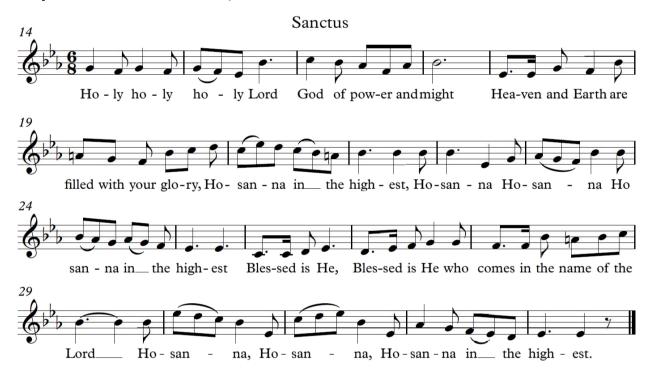
#### The Celebrant proceeds

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 are we 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### Sanctus (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



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#### The Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Mary Magdalene, blessed Peter, James and John, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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*.

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

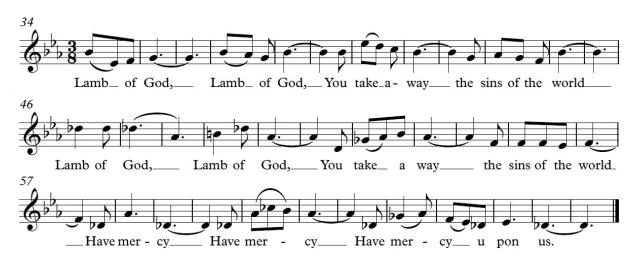
#### People and Celebrant:

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Response: Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.



Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

Let us now pray with those joining us from home:

People: Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love,

you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels

and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.

Though we cannot now consume these gifts of bread and wine together, we thank you that we have received Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins,

and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we embody your love,

be renewed for your service, and be reflections of the risen Lord.

Amen.

#### Communion Hymn 178 "Allelluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord"

Alleluia No. 1

- 1 "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 creation. *Refrain*.
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth. Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*.

- 3 We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever. *Refrain*.
- 4 Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior. *Refrain*.

#### **Selections from The Shrinemonters**

Communion Instrumental: "Violin Concerto in E minor, Movement II"

Tona Brown, violin

Max Bruch

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men. Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Blessing

Closing Hymn 335 "I am the bread of life" (found in The Hymnal 1982) I Am the Bread of Life

1 I am the Bread of life,

They who comes to Me shall not hunger, They who believes in Me shall not thirst.

No one can come to Me

Unless the Father draw them.

Refrain:

And I will raise them up, And I will raise them up,

And I will raise them up on the last day.

2 The bread that I will give

Is My flesh for the life of the world. And he who eats of this bread,

They shall live for ever,

They shall live for ever. Refrain

3 Unless you eat

Of the flesh of the Son of Man

And drink of His blood,

You shall not have life within you.

You shall not have life within you. Refrain

4 I am the Resurrection,

I am the Life,

They who believes in Me

Even if they die,

They shall live for ever. Refrain

5 Yes, Lord, we believe

That You are the Christ.

The Son of God

Who has come

Into the world. Refrain

#### The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Clergy:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! People:

Postlude: Fanfare Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: Readers:** Rob Johnson, Rayna Johnson, Sophia Johnson;

Intercessors: Sameer Augustine, Sanjiv Augustine;

Flower Guild: Connie Kurz;

Musicians: Tona Brown (violin); Felicity Amos, Elise Jenkins, Allan Gervacio,

Chris Fominay, The Immanuel Choir, and The Shrinemonters (vocalists); Denise Freeland, Assistant Conductor, Dr. Jane Tavernier, organist;

Audio-Visual: John Bednar, Doug Onley, Sydney Onley

Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander



# Welcome to the celebration of our Lord's Resurrection at IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL!

If you a visitor among us, welcome!
If you are looking for a spiritual home, we hope that you will find it here; few things would make us happier.

If you have celebrated many Easters here before, May God speak to you in some new, powerful way this year, even as we gather in this strange time.

May the depth of God's love for us all be unmistakable and clear.

Through Scripture, Sacrament, music, the spoken word,
and our fellowship together, may God be praised.

May God's people also be strengthened and fortified
for the journey that lies before us.

Truly, Christ is Risen, and that makes all the difference.

Happy Easter!

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. Rector

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."

- Matthew 28:5-6

