



ST. ELISABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

April 20, 2025

10:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us today.



This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.

Welcome to St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church

We are glad that you are here this morning, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus.

Our community gathers each Sunday at 8:00 am for a spoken, traditional language service. Our 10:00 am sung service is led by the St. Elisabeth's Choir and includes contemporary language. Following the 10:00 am service, we enjoy a cup of coffee or tea as the children join their teachers for Sunday School and the adults meet in the Guild Room to discuss the day's lessons, sermon, or whatever else is on folks' minds. Our Bible Study meets on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. and our choir meets on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. for rehearsal. Not quite once a month we gather on Sunday evening at 4:30 p.m. for Sunday Supper and Family Worship.

We are keenly aware of our responsibility to serve others in Christ's name. We partner with the Interfaith Action Soup Kitchen in Evanston to provide meals to those in need, and we partner with St. Augustine's, Wilmette, to offer Family Promise, a program helping homeless families with children, in our community. We also provide food for the New Trier Township Food Pantry and collect newspapers and other supplies for the Orphans of the Storm.

Our parish clergy are always available for spiritual conversation or pastoral support.

Today at St. Elisabeth's

8:00 a.m. – Spoken Eucharist

9:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

11:00 a.m. – Fellowship & Easter Egg Hunt

Children's Easter Egg Hunt!

Join us after the 10am Easter Service for an all-ages Easter Egg Hunt! As in years past, we plan to plot out different areas on the Church Property for specific age groups to ensure a fun experience for all.

Assisting Today

<i>Musicians:</i>	Jacob Jackson, <i>trumpet</i> Mascha Novikova, <i>piano</i>
<i>First Reading</i>	Robert Fischer
<i>Second Reading</i>	Anne Tuohy
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Kara Superfine, Barb Ferry
<i>Usher</i>	Larry Whipple
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Easter Egg Committee

Easter

Easter, the oldest celebration of the Christian year, is not a single day but an entire season: Easter lasts fifty days, from Easter Day (the Sunday of the Resurrection) through the Day of Pentecost. The season also includes the feast of the Ascension, when the resurrected Jesus ascended to heaven and was seen on earth no longer. Throughout the year every Sunday — even during Lent — is considered a little Easter, a mini feast of the resurrection on what Christians have called the first day of the week. The primary theme of Easter is the resurrection: on this day Jesus was raised from the dead, overcoming the power of death and the grave. We celebrate that we, too, are raised to everlasting life with him in our baptism.

At Pentecost we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the ongoing life of the Holy Spirit in the church today. It is the Holy Spirit who breathes life into the Body of Christ, the church; it is the Holy Spirit who provides the gifts and guidance needed to sustain our life. At every Eucharist we pray that the Holy Spirit will sanctify the bread and wine of communion to be “the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.” We also pray that the Spirit will “sanctify us also” so that we may receive the Eucharist with faith and serve God “in unity, constancy, and peace.” It is the Holy Spirit who makes God present and alive in our hearts.

Entering in...

“The Resurrection recapitulates the whole evolutionary emergent creation as a forward movement to become something new, a new heaven and a new earth. What took place in Christ is intended for the whole cosmos, union and transformation in the divine embrace of love!” – *Ilia Delio, OSF*

“How do we allow those seeds of hope and resurrection deep within us to burst out into new life? One way is to open our eyes and see the signs of resurrection all around us.”
– *Br. Geoffrey Tristram, SSJE*

The Holy Eucharist – Rite II

The Word of God

The Prelude

Please stand as you are able.

The Processional Hymn

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

The Hymnal 1982 #207, Text: 14th Century, Tune: Easter Hymn

The musical score is written for a four-part vocal choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the next four lines. Each line of text is aligned with its corresponding musical notation. The piano accompaniment is written in the bass clef, and the vocal parts are written in the treble clef. The music is in 4/4 time and features a mix of whole, half, and quarter notes, with some chords and rests. The lyrics are printed in a clear, serif font below the vocal staves.

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 Opening Acclamation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.
Assembly **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Presider Let us pray.

Assembly **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 Song of Praise

“Glory to God in the highest”
The Hymnal 1982 #S278, *Music: William Mathias*



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the

Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of

God the Fa-ther. A-men.

The Collect of the Day

Presider

Let us pray.

We exult in your love, O God of the living, for you made the tomb of death the womb from which you bring forth your Son, the first-born of a new creation, and you anointed all creation with the fragrant Spirit of his resurrection. Make us joyful witnesses to this good news, that all humanity may one day gather at the feast of new life in the realm where you reign through all ages. Amen.

Assembly

Amen.

The people may be seated.

The Lessons

The First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated for the psalm.

The Psalm

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

The Anglican Chant Psalter, setting by George Elvey

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 sorely, *
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.

The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn

“Alleluia, alleluia”

The Hymnal 1982 #191, *Text: Christopher Wordsworth, Music: Lux eoi*

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:
 2 Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,
 5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;

1 sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
 2 glor - ious life, and life im - mor - tal, on his re - sur - rec - tion morn.
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sa - vior who has won the vic - to - ry;

1 He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
 2 Christ has tri - umphed, and we con - quer by his might - y en - ter - prise:
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spi - rit, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty:

1 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
 2 we with him to life e - ter - nal by his re - sur - rec - tion rise.
 5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.

The Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Adam Spencer

A period of silence follows the Sermon, beginning and ending with a chime.

Please stand as you are able.

The Baptismal Covenant

The Book of Common Prayer

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?
Assembly **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
Assembly **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Assembly **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Assembly Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Asperges Blessing

Common Worship Times and Seasons

Presider God of renewal and blessing
your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth;
in baptism it is a sign of the washing away of our sins
and the gift of life eternal.

Sanctify this water, we pray.
Renew the living spring of your life within us,
that we may be free from sin
and filled with your saving health;
through Christ our Lord.

Assembly **Amen.**

The presider and the people are sprinkled.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

The ministers and congregation greet one another in the peace of God.

Welcome and Announcements

Blessings for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Travelers

Stephen Kohl – April 22

Jim & Barb Ferry – April 25

Those traveling and those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and
sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

*If you are financially able to support the mission of St. Elisabeth's, please put your offering in
the collection plate as it is passed or use the QR code to donate online.*



Offertory Music**“See What a Morning”***Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arr. Bruce Greer**Sung by St. Elisabeth's Choir*

*See, what morning, gloriously bright,
with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;
folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light,
as the angels announce, “Christ is risen!”*

*See God's salvation plan, wrought in love,
born in pain, paid in sacrifice,
fulfilled in Christ, the man,
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!*

*See Mary weeping, “Where is He laid?”
as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
it's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again!*

*The voice that spans the years,
speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
will sound till He appears,
for he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!*

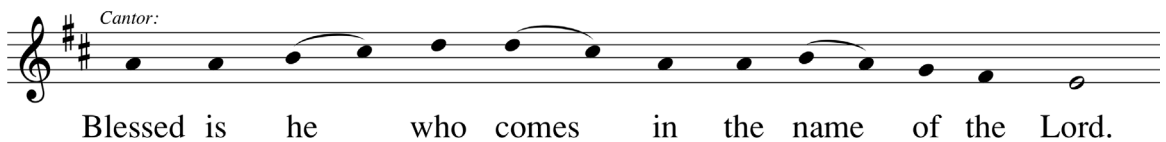
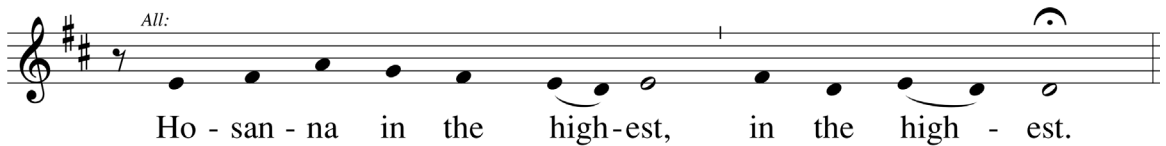
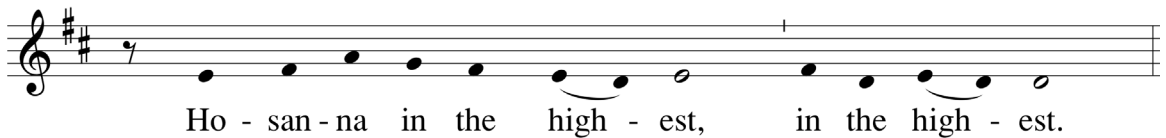
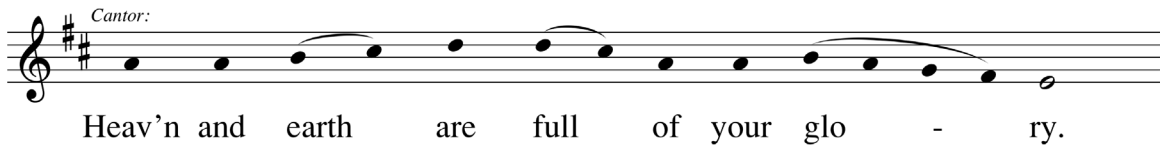
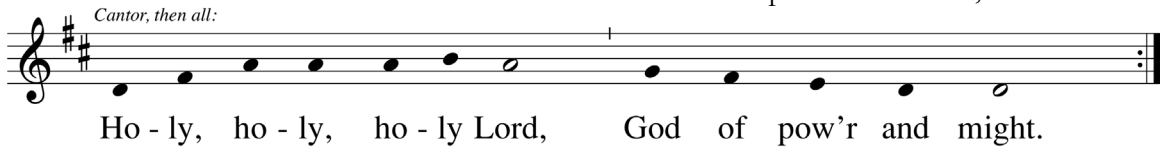
*One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
through the Spirit Who clothes faith with certainty.
honor and blessing, glory and praise
to the King crowned with pow'r and authority!*

*And we are raised with Him,
death is dead, Love has won, Christ has conquered;
and we shall reign with Him,
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!*

Please stand as you are able.

Sanctus

“Holy, holy, holy Lord”

Corpus Christi Mass, *Richard Proulx**Presider*

We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you

called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Holy God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose Jesus gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who died and rose for us, you sent the Holy Spirit, your own first gift for those who believe, to complete your work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus 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 Jesus 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."

Almighty God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Presider

God our Creator, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember, Lord, all those in need of your healing and renewing grace, especially:

Susan Chadd

Sally Graver

Annette Johnston

Ben Whipple, son of Larry & Susan Whipple

Kris McKinnon, sister of Kay Rossiter

David & Jane Barry, Lydia Kutko's parents

Margaret Barry, Lydia Kutko's sister

Clarie Choiniere, friend of Robert Fischer

Connelly Davis, son of Kara Superfine's friend

Father Alonzo Pruitt, friend of Adam Spencer

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Elisabeth and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

Assembly

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

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

All

**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

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

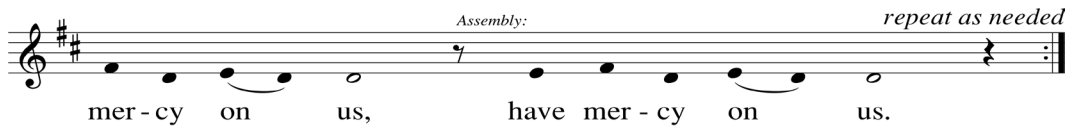
The Fraction Anthem

“Jesus, Lamb of God”

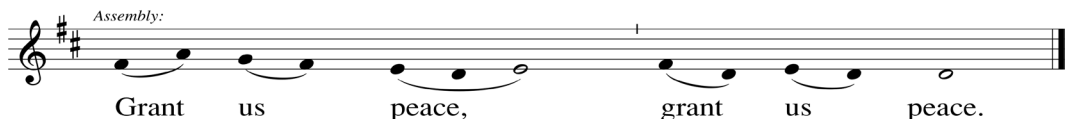
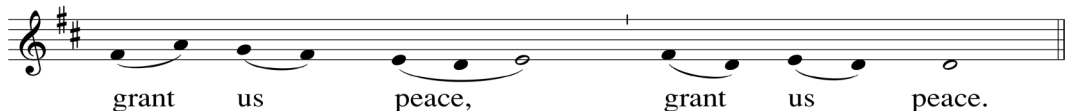
Corpus Christi Mass, *Richard Proulx*



1. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Bear - er of our sins,
2. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Sav - ior of the world, have
3. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Bread come down from heav'n,
4. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Shep - herd of our souls,



5. Je - sus, Lamb of God, gen - tle Prince of peace,



Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing at this time.

Gluten-free host available upon request.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.

The Sacrament of Healing is available at the baptismal font at the back of the church.

Communion Anthem

“Rise, Heart”

From *Five Mystical Songs* by R. Vaughan-Williams, Text by George Herbert

Solo by Walter Aldrich

*Rise, heart; thy Lord is risen,
Sing his praise without delays.
Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise with him may'st rise:
That, as his death calcined thee to dust,
His life may make thee gold, and much more.*

*Awake, my lute,
and struggle for thy part With all thy art.
The cross taught all wood to resound his name
Who bore the same.
His stretched sinews taught all strings,
What key is best to celebrate this most high day.*

*Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song
Pleasant and long;
Or since all musick is but three parts vied
And multiplied;
O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part,
And make up our defects with his sweet art.*

Communion Hymn

“Now the Green Blade Riseth”

The Hymnal 1982 #204, *Text: John Macleod Crum, Tune: Noel nouvelet*

1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain,
 thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
 quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:



Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

*Please stand as you are able.***Post Communion Prayer***The Book of Common Prayer, Expansive Language**Presider*

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior.

*Assembly***Amen**

The Blessing

The Book of Occasional Services

Presider 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.

Assembly **Amen.**

Presider 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.

Assembly **Amen.**

Presider 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.

Assembly **Amen.**

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

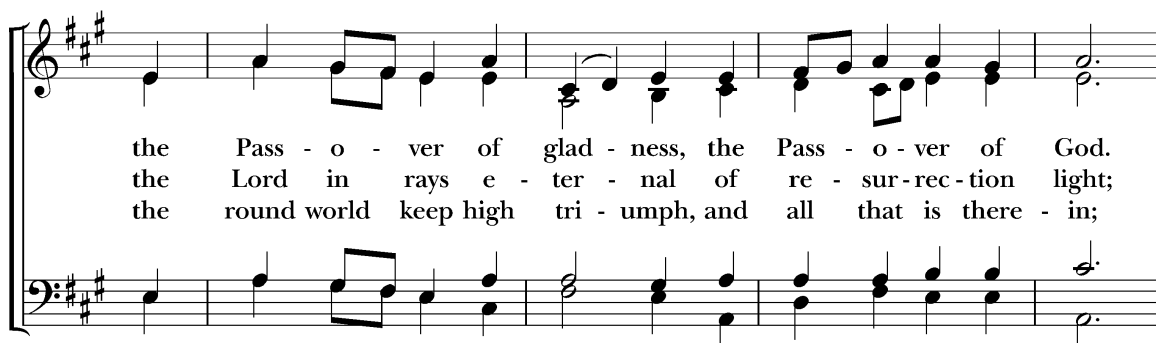
Assembly **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

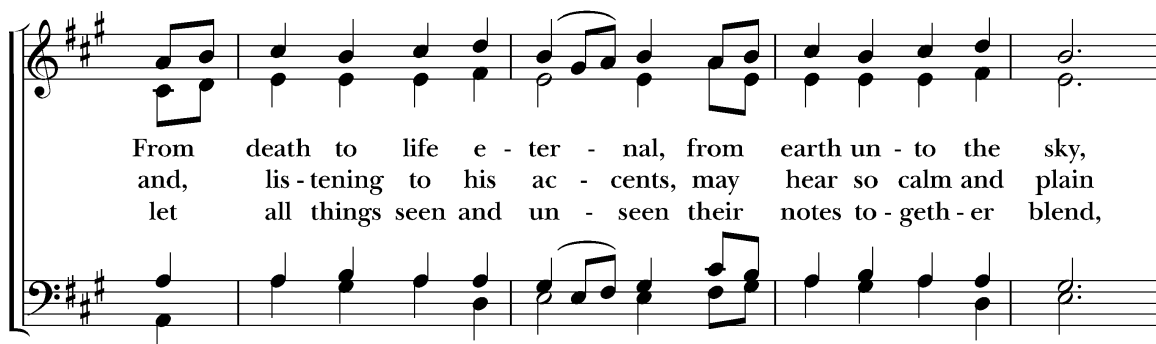
“The Day of Resurrection”

The Hymnal 1982 #210, *Text: John of Damascus (8th Century), Tune: Ellacombe*


1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,



the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;
the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;



From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
and, lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain
let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,



our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

Dismissal

Presider
Assembly

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Spring by Mary Oliver

And here is the serpent again,
dragging himself out from his nest of darkness,
his cave under the dark rocks,
his winter-death.

He slides over the pine needles.
He loops around the branches of rising grass,
looking for the sun.

Well who doesn't want the sun after a long winter?
I step aside,
he feels the air with his soft tongue,
around the bones of his body he moves like oil.

downhill he goes
toward the black mirrors of the pond.
Last night it was still so cold
I woke and went out to stand in the yard,
and there was no moon.

So I just stood there inside the jaw of nothing.
An owl cried in the distance,
I thought of Jesus, how he
crouched in the dark for two nights,
and floated back above the horizon.

The Black Swallowtail by Mary Oliver

The caterpillar,
interesting but not exactly lovely,
humped along among the parsley leaves
eating, always eating. Then
one night it was gone and in its place
a small green confinement hung by two silk threads
on a parsley stem. I think it took nothing with it
except faith, and patience. And then one morning
it expressed itself into the most beautiful being.

Easter Flowers and Music

The Baur Family

In memory of Sarah Cline

Barb & Jim Ferry

In thanksgiving for our family and friends both near and far.

Hall & Anne Healy

In honor of the ministries of Adam Spencer, Walter Aldrich & Larry Handwerk

Carol Heitman & Joyce Newcomb

In memory of Michael, Charles, and Sarah Newcomb

Lani & Ross Miller, Oscar, Jocelyn

In memory of Nancy Miller

Phil Miller

Praise the Lord, halleluiah!

Joyce Newcomb

In memory of Alicesnow & Norman Rickards

Jim O'Neil

In memory of Sally & Jim O'Neil

Kay & Pete Rossiter

In thanksgiving for our family

Robert Seccombe

In memory of Richard Seccombe

John & Anne Tuohy

In thanksgiving for St. Elisabeth's

Coming Up at St. Elisabeth's

Discerning Our Way Forward: All Parish Meeting

Frederick Buechner reminds us that "The place God calls you to in the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." We gathered in small groups at three retreats in March. We now seek to widen the discussion at the All-Parish Meeting to be held on **Saturday, April 26, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.** All are welcome to attend, especially those who were not able to participate in the retreats.

Sunday Forum: The Baehr Legacy Fund and the St. Elisabeth's Legacy Society

Please plan to join a special Forum after Church on **Sunday, April 27**. We will discuss the Baehr Legacy Fund, how it works and how it has supported the Church, and how you can become a member of the St. Elisabeth's Legacy Society. We'd love to have you join!

Next *Family Promise* Opportunity

We need volunteers to help cook meals, stay overnight or just help serve meals. Homeless families with children want someone to talk with and someone to interact with their children.



We help three to five times per year for one week at a time. **Our next dates to help are Sunday, April 27 - Saturday, May 3**. There is a sign-up online for dinners or sleepovers. Please scan the QR code to the right, or click on the button in the e-News, to sign up to help. It is easy, helpful, fulfilling and very efficient. It is good to share a meal with people in need. For more information, please contact Robert Fischer, Lauren Edelston, or Carrie Mygatt.

Living in Community**Volunteers Needed for Parish Life and Fundraising Teams**

It's time to start planning the St. Elisabeth's social calendar for the year ahead and the vestry would love for more member involvement in planning for such events. If you'd be interested in helping out, please contact Carrie Miller-Mygatt.

St. Elisabeth's Choir

All are invited to join the St. Elisabeth's Choir – no experience, background, or skill is required. Rehearsals are on **Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m.** in the Choir Room. If you have any questions, you can reach Walter at music@steglencoe.org or catch him after a Sunday service. Hope to see you there!

St. Elisabeth's Bible Study

The St. E's Bible Study group meets weekly on **Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. on the second floor**. We are studying the book of Daniel. For more information, contact Larry Whipple.

Prayer List

After the last Sunday of each month, the prayer list is reset. Submit prayers and thanksgivings by the first of each month to Caryl in the office at office@steglencoe.org

Pastoral needs, hospital calls, nursing/rehab and home-bound parishioners

If you have a pastoral need or emergency and would like to speak to Fr. Spencer, or know of someone who would like to schedule a pastoral visit, please contact the office at 847-835-0458. You can also email Adam at rector@steglencoe.org.



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 Fred Johnston
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Kara Superfine
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Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Spoken Eucharist: Rite I
- 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist: Rite II
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour, Forum, and Sunday School



Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday – 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

*We at St. Elisabeth's share an adventurous spirit and a commitment
 to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors.*