



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

## Children's Liturgy

### The Day of the Resurrection: Easter Day

April 17, 2022

*Leader:*

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#### **Collect for Purity:**

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*Leader:* Now is a time to calm our bodies, collect our thoughts, and give them to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*All:* **Jesus, open our minds and our hearts. Amen.**

#### **Collect of the Day:**

*Leader:* Thank you, Jesus, for giving us stories that show us that you love us. **Amen.**

#### **The Lesson: *All sit.***

*Leader:* A Reading from the Gospel.

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Matthew 28, John 20

Early Sunday morning before the light of day, an angel came from heaven and rolled the stone away. Later on Mary Magdalene, and Mary, the mother of Jesus, led the way for some women who carried spices to rub on the body of Jesus. They looked into the tomb, but Jesus wasn't in there—it was an empty room! The women told the others, "He's gone! What will we do?" So John and Peter ran to see if what they said was true. They saw the strips of cloth that were lying on the ground, but when they looked for Jesus, he was nowhere to be found. John and Peter went away, but Mary stayed and cried. Kneeling down beside the tomb she took a look inside. Imagine her surprise when she looked inside the tomb, and saw two angels dressed in white sitting in the room! "I want to know where Jesus is," Mary sobbed and said. But suddenly she heard a sound that made her turn her head. She thought it was the gardener so she pleaded with the man. "I want to know where Jesus is. Please tell me if you can!" But when the man said, "Mary!" She lifted up her head. This man was not the gardener—"It's Jesus!" Mary said. Jesus came alive again that happy Easter day, he bled and died then rose again to take our sins away!

*Leader:* (After the Reading) The Word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

**A Teaching** *(Officiant speaks 2-3 minutes)*

**Children's Creed:** *All stand, children repeat each line after the leader.*

*All:*       **We believe in God,  
                  who made us and everything.  
We believe in Jesus Christ,  
                  who is God's son.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
                  who helps us grow. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People:** *All kneel.*

*Leader:* We pray for our clergy: Dean Beverly, and Father Eric, and everyone in the church.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for the leaders of the world, so we can live in peace.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for our families, that your love may fill our hearts.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for the boys and girls and their families who are hungry, and we give thanks for those who help them.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for all people who are sick or sad.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for all who have died.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We ask all these things in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

*All:*       **Jesus, hear our prayer. Amen.**

**Confession:** *Remain kneeling and repeat each line after the leader.*

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*All:*       **Forgive us Lord,  
                  for the things we have done  
                  that were not kind and good.  
Forgive us Lord, and help us try  
                  to do the things that we should. Amen.**

*Leader:* Thank you God for hearing us. We know that you forgive us.

We know that Jesus loves us. We know that the Holy Spirit keeps us in God's care. **Amen.**

**Closing Prayer** *Children repeat each line after the leader.*

*All:*       **Oh, Lord Jesus, I praise you this day.  
I give myself to you this day.  
I ask you to help me this day. Amen.**

**The Peace** *All stand.*

*Leader:* We offer each other a sign of God's peace for one another.

*Leader:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All:*       **And also with you.**

*At this time Sunday School activity occurs.*

*Children are walked to the undercroft for art activity.*

*At the proper time, we will process back into the church to join our  
parents for the rest of the service and Holy Communion.*