

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Mobile, Alabama

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

April 5, 2026

Festival Eucharist

Ten o'clock in the morning

A MESSAGE FROM DEAN GIBSON

“Alleluia! Christ is risen!” Christ Church Cathedral is the oldest Protestant church in the state of Alabama, and as we gather to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, we join generations of worshipers who have made this Easter proclamation in this sacred place on this most holy day.

As you settle yourself before our worship begins, spend a few minutes imagining the moments in history seen by that “cloud of witnesses”—times of wars and of longed-for peace, times of economic hardship and of great prosperity, times of national or personal crisis and of joy and celebration. If we place ourselves within the context of those worshippers and their moments in time, we may gain a new perspective on the matters we carry in our hearts today. We may also gain strength and courage from the prayers and the hopes and dreams that linger all around us. This year our prayers are especially focused on the peace of our whole world during these times of uncertainty.

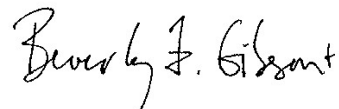
Our worship this day also takes us outside of time, into the eternal life of God, as we hear the words of scripture, sing the psalms and hymns, and say the ancient creeds and prayers. We will be lifted to other dimensions through the music. We will be drawn into the sacred mystery of the Eucharist.

Whether this is your first Easter at Christ Church or the repeating of long-standing tradition for you, I am glad that you are here and extend the welcome of the Vestry and the whole Cathedral Family to you. We welcome also those who worship with us virtually via live stream. For those of you worshipping in person, ushers wearing purple badges are here to assist you; they can direct you to the nursery, water, and restrooms, or hearing assistance devices available for your use. At the time of communion, they will help direct you to the altar. Please know that all are welcome to receive the gifts of the Lord’s Table. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may cross your arms to receive a blessing. You may do the same if you do not wish to receive the cup after receiving the bread.

At the conclusion of our worship, we will remain in the church for a few moments to take our annual Easter photo; this is a joyous record of family, friends, and visitors gathered on this special day. After the dismissal, younger children are invited to the annual Easter Egg Hunt in front of the church in Mardi Gras Park.

I wish you all the joys of Easter’s Good News: may you know and follow the Risen Christ in loving and serving the world.

Faithfully,



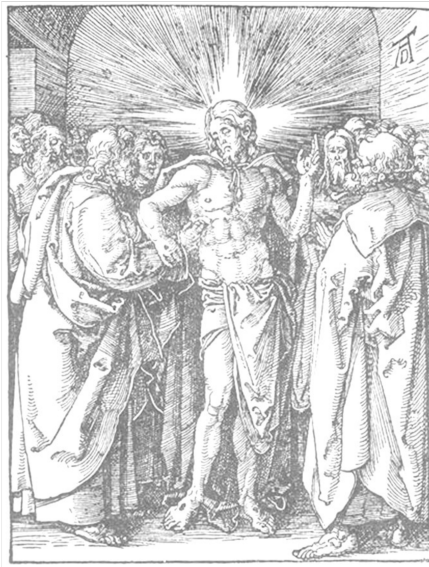
The Very Reverend Beverly F. Gibson, Ph.D., Dean

ON THE COVER:

Christ and St. Mary Magdalene at the Tomb, Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn, 1638, oil on panel, The King’s Gallery, Buckingham Palace, London, England.

FACING PAGE:

The Doubting Thomas, from The Small Passion, Albrecht Durer, ca. 1510, woodcut, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, New York



Easter Day

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Festival Eucharist

Ten o'clock in the morning

We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this booklet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Unless requested, applause isn't necessary; please give quiet thanks to God for the elements of worship that are meaningful for you.



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the alms basin so that we can know you better. A nursery is available. A gentle reminder: please turn off all electronic devices before the service. Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.



The Annual Easter photograph will be taken following the service. Please remain in your pew for instructions. Please join us after the photograph for an Easter egg hunt in Mardi Gras Park.

Prelude

Carillon de Westminster

Louise Vierne
(1870-1937)

Welcome

Children's Chapel (Ages 4 to Grade 3) Children process with their leader to Chapel and return at the peace.

The Word of God

Easter Proclamation

BCP 355

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Processional Hymn

Easter Hymn

Hymnal 207

Jesus Christ is risen today

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

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!

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!

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!

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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

Canticle 20

Mathias

Hymnal S-278

Gloria in excelsis

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

BCP 222

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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

First Reading:

Acts 10:34-43

Reader: 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: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Confitemini Domino

Please read responsively by whole verse.

BCP 760

- 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.

Second Reading: *Colossians 3:1-4*

Reader: A Reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians.

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.**

Sequence Hymn

Truro

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. vv. 1, 2

Hymnal 182

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! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now and conquer every place and time.

The Holy Gospel: *John 20:1-18*

Celebrant: 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, "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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sequence Hymn

Truro

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. vv. 4, 5

Hymnal 182

In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.

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.

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Beverly F. Gibson

**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

Deacon: Almighty and everliving God, on the first day of the week, the day of resurrection, you overcame death through your blessed Son Jesus: Let your divine light dawn in our hearts daily, that we may fearlessly share in his work of doing good, saying: On this day the Holy One has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Intercessor: You have called the Church to witness to the resurrection and to preach peace by Jesus Christ: Be with us as we eat and drink with him and as we receive forgiveness through his name, that we may be raised with Christ in the power of his Spirit, and spread his love and compassion to all humanity.

On this day the Holy One has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

You show no partiality, O Holy One, and you accept anyone who does what is right and who lives reverently: Enlighten all who hold power and authority in the world to embrace justice and peace on behalf of the common good.

On this day the Holy One has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Let your resurrection message "Do not be afraid" be heard throughout the world, that everyone may be rescued from all that may threaten or oppress them.

On this day the Holy One has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Visit this community with your divine gift of new life, that we may seek the things that are above, to the comfort and healing of our friends and neighbors.

On this day the Holy One has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Christ the Lord is the stone which the builders rejected who now has become the chief cornerstone, our hope and our deliverance: Let your healing power go forth on behalf of all for whom we pray, O God. We give thanks to God who is good, whose mercy endures for ever. Hear our prayers of gratefulness. When Christ, our life, is revealed, so also will those who have died be revealed with him in glory. We pray to the crucified and risen One on behalf of all who have died.

On this day the Holy One has acted;

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Deacon: God has anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit, and for us raised him into eternal life; we have died, and our life is hidden with Christ in God: Fill us with the glory of this day of resurrection, that we may cast away all fear and darkness, even the darkness of death, and live forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior, who with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, One God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Cathedral Children Sing

Celtic Alleluia
Myles Garver, *director*

Fintan O'Carroll
(1922-1981)
Christopher Walker
(b. 1947).

The Light of Christ
Myles Garver, *director*

Donald Emry Fishel
(b. 1950)

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem
Cathedral Choir

Charles Villiers Stanford
(1852-1924)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn In strains of holy joy.
For Judah's Lion bursts his chains, crushing the serpent's head;
And cries aloud through death's domains To wake the imprison'd dead.
Devouring depths of hell their prey At his command restore;
His ransom'd hosts pursue their way; Where Jesus goes before.
Triumphant in his glory now To him all pow'r is giv'n;
To him in one communion bow All saints in earth and heav'n.
While we, His soldiers, praise our King, His mercy we implore,
Within his palace bright to bring, And keep us evermore.
All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee, While endless ages run.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

At the Presentation

Old 100th vs. 3

Hymnal 380

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

America vs. 4

Hymnal 717

**Our father's God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land
be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.**

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.**

The Celebrant continues: 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

Hymnal S-128

**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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues: 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.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

**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.

Fraction Anthem

Christ our Passover

Hymnal S-155

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Music at Communion

Anthem

Philip W. J. Stopford
(b. 1977)

Christ the Lord is Risen Again

Cathedral Choir

Christ the Lord is risen again, Christ hath broken every chain.
Hark, angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high. Alleluia.

He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife,
is our Paschal Lamb today; we too sing for joy, and say, Alleluia.

He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross,
lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry.

He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save;
now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of Kings. Alleluia.

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ thy ransomed people feed;
take our sons and guilt away: let us sing by night and day. Alleluia.

Anthem

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

My eyes for beauty pine

Cathedral Choir

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddës grace:
No other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above:
'Tis named when God's name is said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart that burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Hymn

Unser Herrscher
Hymnal 180

He is risen, he is risen!

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.

Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted, with glad smile and radiant brow!
Death's long shadows have departed; Jesus' woes are over now,
and the passion that he bore—sin and pain can vex no more.

Come, with high and holy hymning, hail our Lord's triumphant day;
not one darksome cloud is dimming yonder glorious morning ray,
breaking o'er the purple east, symbol of our Easter feast.

He is risen, he is risen! He hath opened heaven's gate:
we are free from sin's dark prison, risen to a holier state;
and a brighter Easter beam on our longing eyes shall stream.

Hymn

Puer nobis
Hymnal 193

That Easter day with joy was bright

That Easter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light,
when, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.

His risen flesh with radiance glowed; his wounded hands and feet he showed;
those scars their solemn witness gave that Christ was risen from the grave.

O Jesus, King of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess
that we may give thee all our days the willing tribute of our praise.

O Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Eastertide;
from every weapon death can wield thine own redeemed for ever shield.

All praise, O risen Lord, we give to thee, who, dead, again dost live;
to God the Father equal praise, and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.

Blessing

BOS 27

Celebrant: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Diademata
Hymnal 494

Crown him with many crowns

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Son of God before the worlds began,
and ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man;
who every grief hath known that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him of lords the Lord, who over all doth reign,
who once on earth, the incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners slain,
now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels sing
their songs before him day and night, their God, Redeemer, King.

Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above;
crown him the King, to whom is given the wondrous name of Love.

Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall,
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

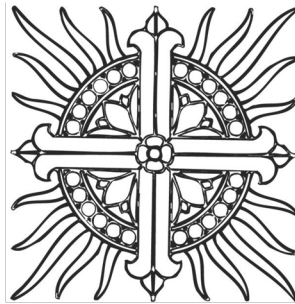
People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Toccata, from Symphonie V

Charles-Marie Widor
(1844-1937)

Please join us after the photograph for an Easter egg hunt in Mardi Gras Park.



CATHEDRAL PRAYERS

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE PRAY FOR:

Members:

Patti Biel, Valrie Vanek, Lynn Betbeze Yankie, George Seymour, Patsy Seymour, Lisa Williams, Linda Dann-LeBlanc, Bill Butler, Ricky Bradford, Betty Reniewicz, Bill Christian, Emily-Marie Butler, Melvin Koger, Craig Pittman, Nancy Bryan, Jane Inge, Ed Crowson, Martha Adams, Perrin Drew

Friends & Family:

The Reverend Dennis Brown, Mary Rose Snider, George & Mary Ester Hall Bollis, Elizabeth Berry, Karla Geiger, Lloyd Shearer Smith, Kathy Thurber, David Barnett, David Morgan, John Baylor, Sr., Erma Clark, Dorothy Queenan, Kelly Clark, Lanier Faircloth, Vivian "Cookie" Rich, Hunter Hale, James Bloodworth, Dennis Knizley, Missy Foose, Curran Foose, Malcolm Warren, Hallie Inge Baker, Bennett Stenger, Molly Nordmann, Maxine Dodson, Matthew Williams

For Those Serving in the Military:

Marlin Brutkiewicz, Blake Hickey, Gray Stephens, Dylan Butler, Tripp Bennett, Jacob Hester-Heard, Cameron Morrisette, Dylan Thompson, Connor Roy, Charles Lewis, Richard Graham

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Anglican Communion

Cathedral Cycle of Prayer:

The Episcopal Church; and the Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer:

All faith communities in the City of Mobile.

Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer:

All prisoners and those who work in correctional institutions



THE CATHEDRAL CHAPTER 2026

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LAY MINISTER CALENDAR

	April 12 2nd Sunday of Easter	April 19 3rd Sunday of Easter	April 26 4th Sunday of Easter
First Reader	Lissa Watkins	Bruce Rockstad	Senior Sunday
Psalmist	Skip Archer	Bob Israel	
2nd Reader	Leigh Taylor	Judy Henson	
Intercessor	Skip Archer	Bob Israel	
Chalice Bearers	Mark Weeks Douglas Kearley	Mark Weeks Ron Snider	
Crucifers	Wilt Rendfrey Mary Lindsley Golden	Kate Watkins Louise Slaton	Livy Ferguson
Acolytes	Harris Rendfrey Burton Slaton	George Seawell Emily Seawell	
Flower Guild	Barbara Mitchell Betsy McCafferty	ALL	Abby Slaton Lucy Pryor Slaton Mary Hunter Fuller
Opening/Closing	David Sanders	Mark Weeks	Henry Seawell
Vestry Greeter	Hayley Van Antwerp	Susan Leach	Leigh Rendfrey
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Lay Eucharistic Visitors	Harwell Coale	Skip Archer	Lynne and Burnley Davis
Hospitality Team	Laura Rutherford Tray Hamil Linda Ross Brenda Stanton Charlotte Taylor Lissa Watkins Hayley Van Antwerp	Barry Weeks Ricky Bradford Audrey Cunningham Mary Pettit Chistine Rhodes Bruce Rockstad Lark Singley Nancy Bryan	Caroline Etherton Adrienne Golden Lisa Drew Shannon Harris Meg Mattei Leigh Rendfrey Sydney Betbeze Mindy Englemeier Cheryl Winters- Heard



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- April 5**
Day Peake
- April 6**
Donna Moree
- April 7**
Robert Drew
Winchester Thurber
Nora Johnson
Maggie McLeod
Caroline Irby
- April 8**
Greer Radcliff
Christopher Clinton
- April 9**
Carolyn Jeffers
- April 10**
Jeff Grill
Theo Middleton
- April 12**
James Glasser
- April 13**
Lyon Israel
- April 14**
Ted Flotte
- April 16**
Anne Golden
Ellie Mitchell
Helen Hendrix
Carter Wetzler
- April 17**
Barbara Archer
Bob Foster
Laura McLeod
- April 19**
Angus Cooper
- April 20**
Mary Carol Ladd
Chad Slaton
- April 21**
Christopher Russell
Chris Hume

CATHEDRAL NOTES



CHILDREN'S CHAPEL CHILDREN TO SING TODAY

Easter Sunday, April 5, at the announcements

Children's Chapel will sing "Celtic Alleluia" and "The Light of Christ." Thank you to Myles Garver who has worked with the children during Children's Chapel to prepare for singing.



SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS WEEK

In Children's Chapel we will learn the story of the empty tomb, and we will be surprised by the welcome return of the alleluias. Myles Garver will be with us to review the songs we will sing in church after announcements. The Nursery is open from 9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for our youngest members. All children in second grade and under are invited to join us for Children's Chapel at the beginning of the service—just follow the crucifer in the procession. There will be an Easter Egg hunt in Mardi Gras Park immediately following worship!



EASTER EGG HUNT

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt takes place in Mardi Gras Park following the Easter service. The hunt is for children through grade 2. Hospitality for children will be served in the park.



EASTER EGG HUNT HELPERS

The Fun Club will help hide Easter eggs on Easter Sunday morning. If you are in grades 4, 5, or 6 and would like to help, meet at the back of the church after the opening hymn. Once the eggs are hidden, we will tiptoe back into church to sit with our families. After communion, please meet again at the back of the church. We will smile for the parish photo and quickly exit the sanctuary to "guard" the eggs before the hunt starts!



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLEAN-UP SCHEDULED

Wednesdays April 15, 22, 29 from 10 to 12 noon

For the past couple of years, we have been using a Christian formation program called Rotation. Our room was modified to take on the theme of this program. This past month, we received many materials for Level I (3–6-year-old child) Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Foley. This level focuses on the relationship with the child and the Good Shepherd. It covers prayer, nomenclatures for life in the church, Biblical geography, messianic prophecies, infancy narratives, kingdom parables, the Good Shepherd, the Paschal Mystery, Baptism, Eucharist, Celebrations, practical life, care of the environment, grace and courtesy, and self-care. This is a wide range of scope and sequence and meets the child where they are. To begin setting up our space, we invite you to be a part of our clean-up, room change, and working in the space. Our space will become welcoming and holy as we move to this Episcopal-based material and invite the children into a space created specifically for them, their size, and their learning level.

Come and be a part of making this a sacred space for our children, and to see the new materials and how they will be used!



CATHEDRAL EASTER SCHEDULE CHANGES

The Cathedral office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 6.

We will reopen on Tuesday, April 7 at 9:00 a.m.

The Mid-Week Holy Eucharist service will not meet on Wednesday, April 8.

The service resumes on Wednesday April 15.



SEND A CHILD TO CAMP BECKWITH THIS SUMMER

Create a Summer They'll Never Forget!

Help send Prichard Preparatory School students to Camp Beckwith this summer. Christ Church Cathedral will be giving Prichard Prep 4th and 5th graders an experience they've never had before—enjoying a four-day camp session in “God’s Front Yard” that includes swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, games, and meaningful fellowship.

The cost to sponsor one camper is \$300, but any contribution makes a difference. Jane Bartlett Nenstiel, Beckwith board member, is spear-heading this project. Have a question or want to get involved? Please contact Jane Bartlett at (251) 895-7702.

Later this spring look for information on a project to help donate items for camper care bags to send with the campers.



21ST ANNUAL CATHEDRAL CELEBRATION, CONFIRMATION, & PAROCHIAL VISIT

Sunday, April 19 at 10:00 a.m.

The Right Reverend Russell Kendrick will be at Christ Church Cathedral for the Cathedral Celebration and his annual parochial visit. Please join us to celebrate our ministry together. Following the service we will have a Cathedral picnic in the garden.



WILMER HALL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 25 from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Join the fun on the front lawn of Wilmer Hall, 3811 Old Shell Road for the 19th Annual Pancake Breakfast. Enjoy pancakes, music by the Excelsior Band, jumpies for the kids, and more! Get your tickets at wilmerhall.org/events/pancake-breakfast. Cash check, Venmo are accepted at the event! Tickets are \$6/per person or \$20/per car for the drive thru. Christ Church Cathedral is a sponsor of the event.



YOUTH AND SENIOR SUNDAY

Sunday, April 26

Our youth will plan, prepare, and lead worship on this Sunday. This day offers our youth an different opportunity to actively participate in church life, share their faith, and develop leadership skills. On this Sunday we will also celebrate our graduating seniors. If you have a graduating senior please let the cathedral office know.



ORGAN RECITAL

Sunday, April 26 at 5:00 p.m.

In the final recital of our concert season we welcome Joel Gregory, Organist and Choirmaster at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Montgomery.



DIACONATE ORDINATION

Saturday, May 2 at 11:00 a.m.

As the Cathedral Church of the Diocese it is our privilege to host the ordination service on May 2 for three candidates to the Diaconate. We are asking for volunteers to assist that morning greeting the ordinands and their families, serving light hospitality before and after the service, and to act as ushers for the service. To volunteer you may use the sign-up sheets on the ministry table or you may use the sign-up link in our weekly emails or on the website.



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