

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Being a light to the world.

The Feast of the Resurrection

April 17, 2022

10:00 a.m.

VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune in D

David N. Johnson

All stand, as they are able, and join in singing the hymn.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Easter Hymn

Descant



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 officiating priest, called the presider, says the following and the people respond.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All then sing the Gloria in excelsis, an ancient hymn of praise.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty 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 SALUTATION AND COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The people sit. Readings from the Bible are proclaimed and we share in the gift of God's Word through listening to the scriptures.

THE FIRST READING - ACTS 10:34-43

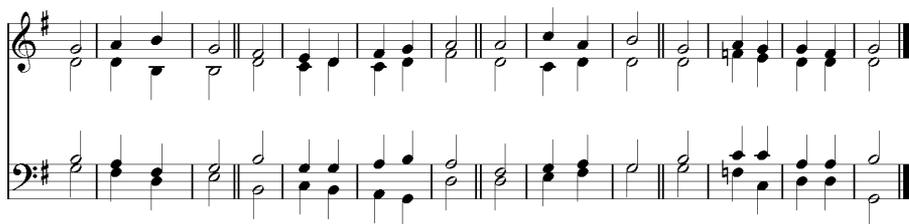
A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 - sung by all.



- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for / he is / good; *
his / mercy en-/ dures for / ever.
- 2 Let Israel / now pro-/ claim, *
“His / mercy en-/ dures for / ever.”
- 14 The LORD is my / strength and my / song, *
and he has be-/ **come** / my sal-/ vation.
- 15 There is a sound of exul-/ tation 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 de-/ clare 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 be-/ **come** / my sal-/ vation.
- 22 The same stone which the / builders re-/ jected *
has be-/ come 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 re-/ **joice** / and be / glad in it.

THE SECOND READING - 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

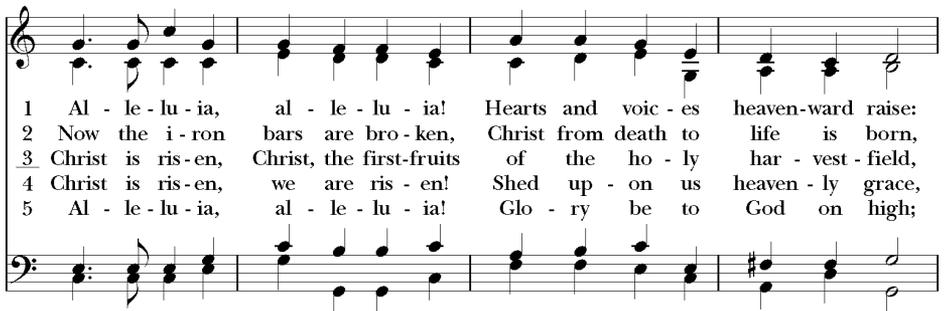
A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

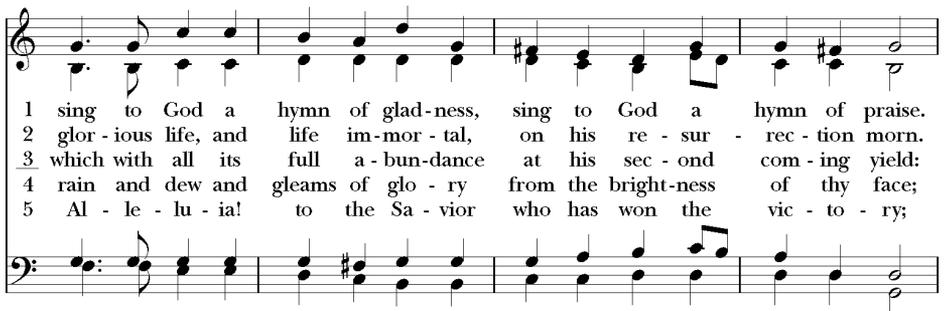
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GOSPEL HYMN

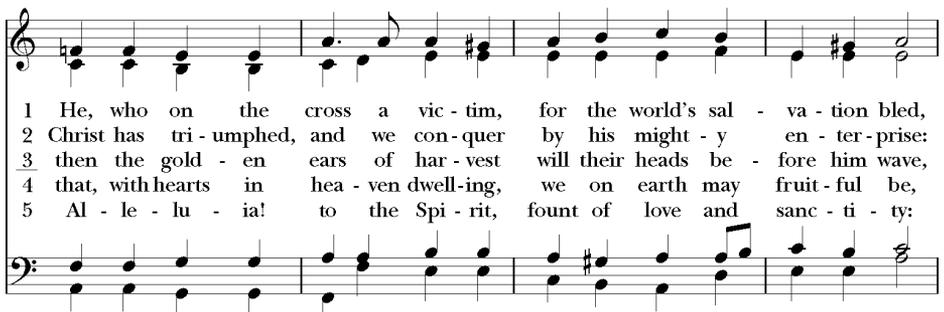
Lux eoi



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voi - ces heaven-ward raise:
2 Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,
3 Christ is ris - en, Christ, the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest - field,
4 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heav - en - ly grace,
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.
3 which with all its full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:
4 rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright-ness of thy face;
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:
3 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,
4 that, with hearts in hea - ven dwell - ing, we on earth may fruit - ful be,
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.
 3 ri - pened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
 4 and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with thee.
 5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.

THE GOSPEL - Luke 24:1-12

To introduce the Gospel the reader says

The ✠ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

After the Gospel, one of the ministers gives the sermon, explaining how the lessons relate to our lives.

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Then all stand and join in the following.

**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 \times life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The people kneel or stand. Prayers are offered for our own needs and for those of others.
After each petition the reader says*

**Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.**

The presider adds a concluding collect. 9

gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
 with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
 thou hast o - pened par - a - dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
 ris - en Lord, all praise to thee with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Presider gives thanks for god's faithfulness in creating, sustaining and redeeming humankind.

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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Then all sing the Sanctus, the song of the angels.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. ✠ Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

The people stand or kneel and the presider continues

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

At the end of the prayer the people boldly respond.

Amen.

The presider introduces the Lord's Prayer.

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

**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.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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.

All are welcome at the altar. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward for a prayer of blessing carrying this Order of Service to the altar with you. The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist is normally reserved for baptized Christians of any denomination. For more information about baptism, please speak to the clergy.



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:



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

A period of silence follows communion after which the presider says

Let us pray.

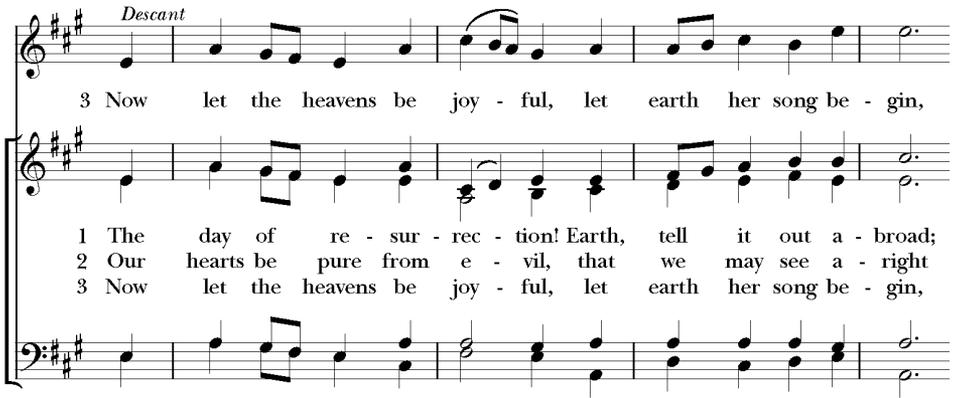
**Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
 And now,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

All stand, as able, and join in the hymn.

HYMN

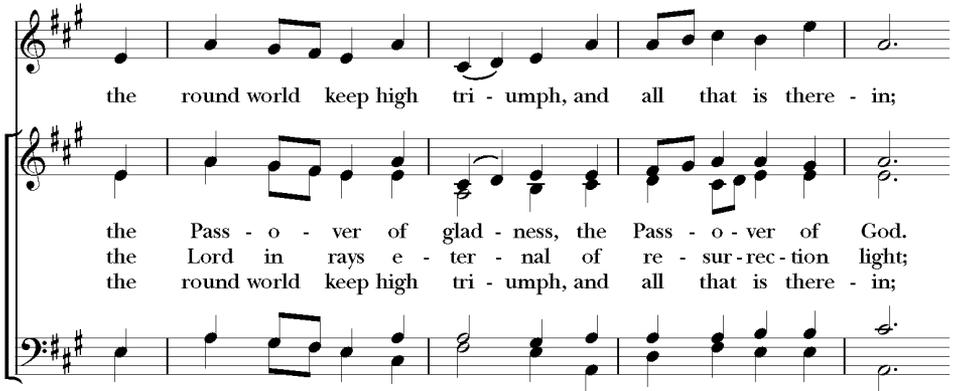
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Descant



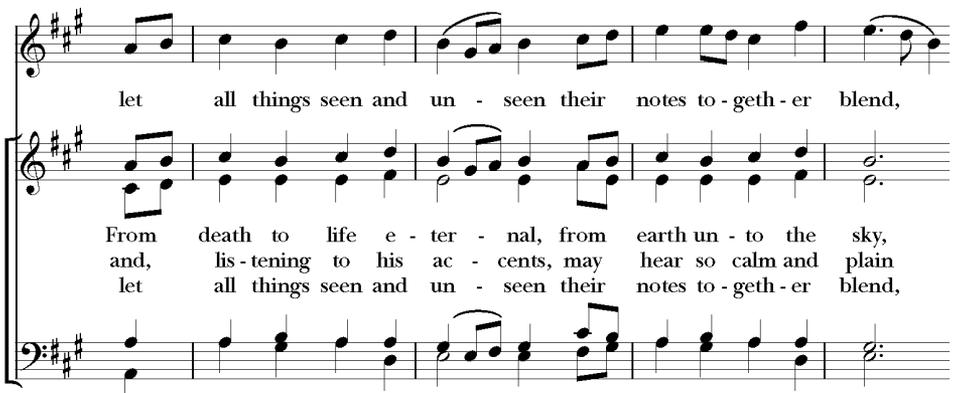
3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,

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 round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

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;



let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,

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,

for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

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.

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

VOLUNTARY

Ceremonial March in D

David N. Johnson

Serving Today:

Presider & Preacher:	The Rev. Brian Coleman
Liturgical Minister:	Trish Harris
Thurifer:	Jodi Nickerson
Crucifer:	Claire Nickerson
Torches:	Valerie Miller & Quinn Nickerson
Intercissors:	Sharon & Mark Engle
Lector:	Kathy Dingwall
Chalice:	Kathy Dingwall & Keith Phillips
Choir:	The St. Thomas Choir
Organist & Choirmaster:	Dr. Stephen White
Easter Brass:	Theresa Wisniewski
Altar Chapter:	Brenda Hillman
Greeter:	Lorraine Petter & Emilie Cummins
Ushers:	Ken Surprenant & Joe Cummins
AV Tech:	Joerg Himmelreich

Easter Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:

Karmel Addis	in thanksgiving for the 15th birthday of Albert Puzzuoli
Ross & Kathy Dingwall	in celebration of the marriage of Gabbi & Matt Bloom
Tom & Gillian Ebeling	in loving memory of Vicki Ebeling
Patti & Bob Harberts	in thanksgiving for St. Thomas Altar Guild and all those who have helped the Altar Guild
Robert Hibbard	in loving memory of Shirley Hibbard and in celebration of Jesus' mother Mary
Chris Hillman	in loving memory of Julian Mansfield
Karen Keese	in thanksgiving for St. Thomas parish & people
H. Thomas Kyvig	in loving memory of Mary Lynn Westerman
Elizabeth Neumeyer	in loving memory of her parents Ruth & Raymond Neumeyer
Yvette Petti & Loretta Kaercher	In loving memory of Barbara Ann Petti, Harriett Magenheimer and George Yunis
Keith Phillips	In loving memory of Margaret & Kenneth Phillips
Carol Schelb	In loving memory of her brother, George E. McKay Jr.

Sue Shafe	in thanksgiving for St. Thomas staff
Becky & Bernie Squires	in loving memory of our parents
Rick & Laurel Stravers	in thanksgiving for St. Thomas Church
The Wiley's	in loving memory of Niles Wiley

Sponsors for Easter Day Brass:

Karmel Addis	in celebration of her alma mater—the Jayhawks of Kansas and their NCAA championship victory
Rev. Heather Barta	in thanksgiving for the community of St. Thomas
Tom & Barb Hibiske	in loving memory of Charley Baker, Blanche Baker & Art Hibiske and in thanksgiving for family
Roy & Brenda Hillman	in loving memory of Julian Mansfield & Roy & Brenda's parents & grandparents
Karen Keese	in thanksgiving for St. Thomas parish & people
Tom, Lori & Jackson Kiess	in loving memory of Gene Gray & Jim Kiess
H. Thomas Kyvig	in loving memory of George E. McKay Jr.
Elizabeth Neumeyer	in thanksgiving for the St. Thomas choir & music program
Keith Phillips	in celebration of the many ministries of St. Thomas
Sue Shafe	in thanksgiving for family & St. Thomas Church
Denise Young	in loving memory of Edward & Phyllis Young

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*We seek to love and serve the Lord
through our Mission Imperatives:*



Worship



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Discipleship

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Worship Services

Sundays

10:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist
5:00 p.m., Evening Worship

Weekdays

8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer
5:00 p.m., Evening Prayer

Fridays – 11:00a.m., Bible Study; 12:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist