

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Easter Sunday The Feast of the Resurrection

Holy Eucharist, Rite II April 20, 2025 · 10:30 am

All are welcome to worship God in this place. In church before the service, please respect others by being silent.

Bold print indicates all the people shall read aloud

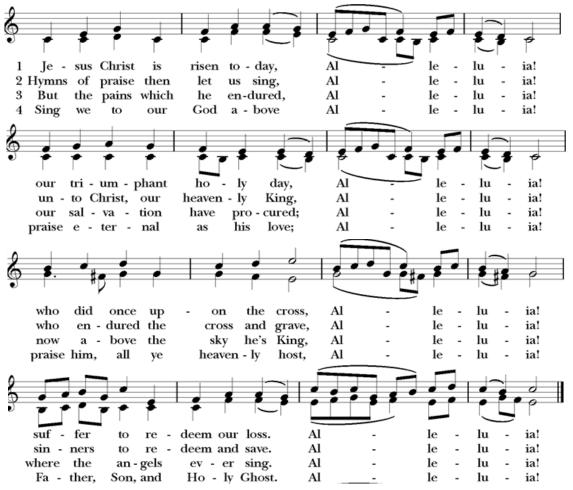
J. S. Bach arr. Roberta Bitgood Michel-Richard Delalande

PRELUDE

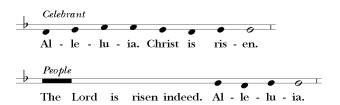
Awake, Thou Wintry Earth

Musique Royale

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Hymnal - 207 S. Drummond Wolff



OPENING



THE WORD OF THE LORD

Celebrant This is the day which the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

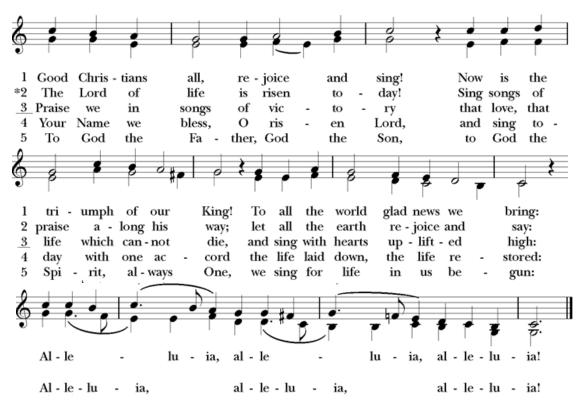
All Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN OF PRAISE Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Hymnal - 205

Gelobt sei Gott

arr. Charles W. Schramm Jr.



THE COLLECT FOR EASTER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All 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.

All Amen

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

Lector A reading from Isaiah.

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall

long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord— and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

ΑII

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM 118

Confitemini Domino



1. Give thanks to the LORD, for / he is good; * his mercy en/dures for ever.

2. Let Israel / now proclaim, *

"His mercy en/dures 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 right/eous 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 re/jected * has become / the chief cornerstone.
- 23. This is the LORD's / doing, * and it is mar/velous in our eyes.
- 24. On this day the LORD has / acted; * we will rejoice / and be glad in it.

THE SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

Lector A

A reading from Acts.

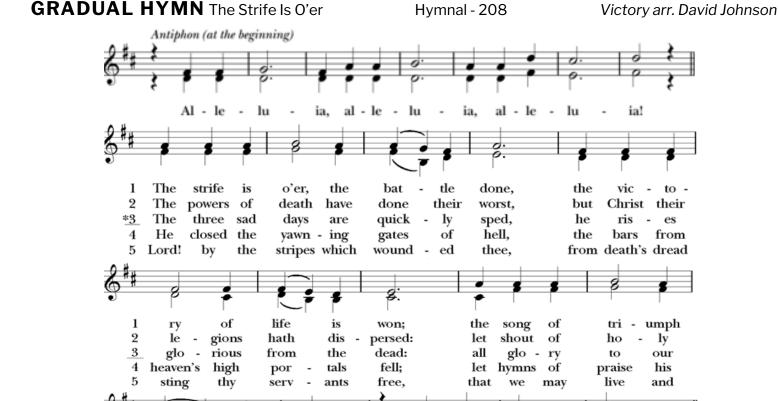
Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus

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.

Lector

ΑII

Thanks be to God.



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Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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ΑII

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

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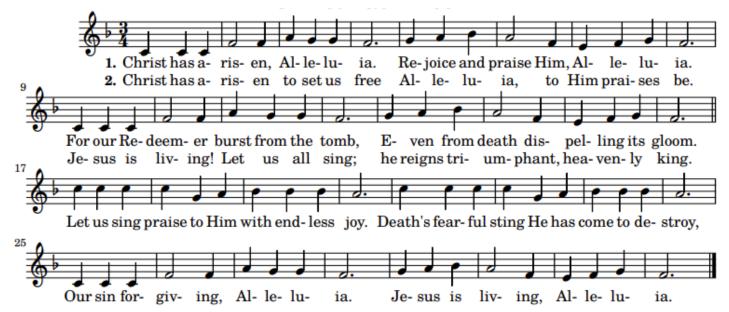
the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the 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.

Gospeller All The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HYMN Christ Has Arisen



THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Book of Common Prayer 292

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in

the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

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

Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

being?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water

and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his

grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Praying the Scriptures by The Rev. Jeremiah Williamson

Lector Jesus Christ is risen today, our triumphant holy day. Alleluia! So let us pray to our Lord, saying,

"To you we offer praise eternal; Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Lector Heavenly King, for us you endured the cross and the grave. When we were yet sinners, you

redeemed and saved us. May we sing your eternal praises everywhere we go.

Silence

Lector To you we offer praise eternal;

People Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lector Incarnate love, where hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, call forth new life by your touch.

Bring forth life in the barren places of this world.

Silence

Lector To you we offer praise eternal;

People Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lector Author of Life, you are the ruler of creation. All things created on earth sing to your glory. From

the death of the winter, raise the fair beauty of earth.

Silence

Lector To you we offer praise eternal;

People Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lector Living Savior, you hold the future. You bless and restore our families, our communities, our

world with babies and children. Though they face uncertain days, we trust them to the certainty

of your endless and eternal love.

Silence

Lector To you we offer praise eternal;

People Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lector Jesus the health of the world, pour out your balm on our souls and the souls of all in pain or sorrow.

Be the source of life for all people.

Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence.

Silence

Lector To you we offer praise eternal;

People Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lector Purify us, O Lord, from all evil that we may rightly see you in the eternal light of your

resurrection. By your victory, bring us from death to life eternal.

Silence

Lector To you we offer praise eternal;

People Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

Show us your goodness, O Lord, and hear our prayers. Look past our selfish desires and remember your own faithfulness. In your great compassion, consider our petitions and in your mercy do in our lives that which is truly good. We pray in the name of your Son, who with you and the Holy Spirit, reigns One God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

The congregation greets one another in the name of Christ.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & BLESSINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM A Song to the Lamb

Gerre Hancock

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION HYMN Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal - 380, st. 3

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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D SURSUM CORDA

Book of Common Prayer 372

Hymnal S-120



Celebrant

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

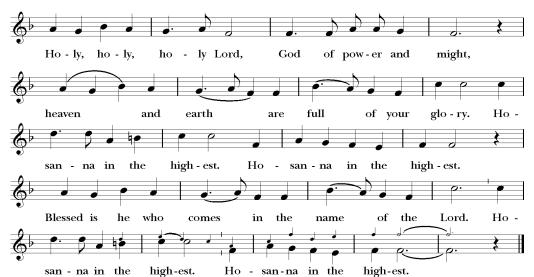
Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S-125

Richard Proulx



Celebrant

We acclaim you, holy Lord, 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.

Father, 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, he 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 he 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 him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him 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 he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his 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 pray to you, Lord our God.

Celebrant

Lord, 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 your Son 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.

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 for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant 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

Book of Common Prayer 364

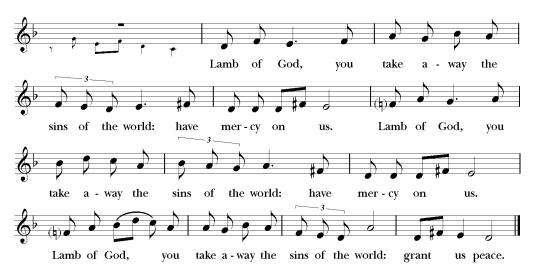
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM Lamb of God

Hymnal S-163

Robert Powell



THE INVITATION

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

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COMMUNION MUSIC Th

This Joyful Eastertide

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arr. Charles Evans

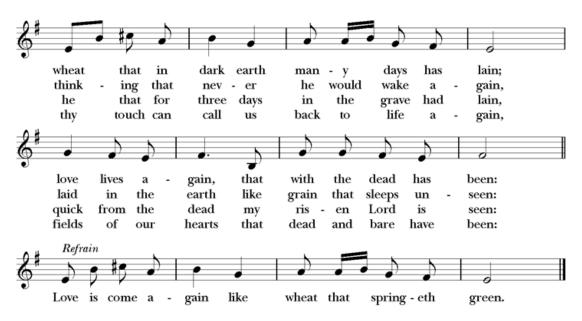
Jacobus Gallus

COMMUNION HYMN Now the Green Blade Riseth

Hymnal - 204

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PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of Thy Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer You praise and thanksgiving. I present to You my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to You. And since I can not now receive You sacramentally, I beseech You to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to You, and embrace You with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate You from me. May I live and die in Your love. **Amen.**

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people all stand as they are able

ΑII

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.

THE CHOIR ANTHEM Hallelujah!

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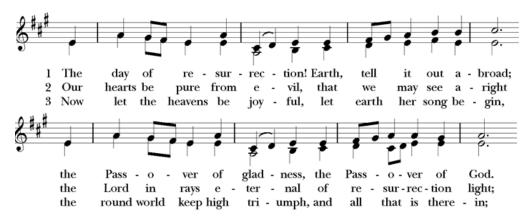
George Frederick Handel

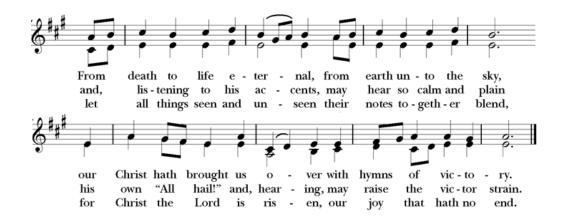
THE RECESSIONAL HYMN The Day of Resurrection

Hymnal - 210

Ellacomb

arr. Charles W. Schramm, Jr.





THE EASTER BLESSING

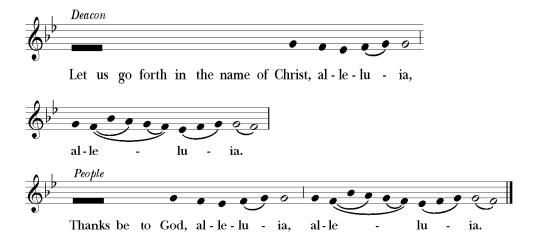
May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

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

THE EASTER DISMISSAL



POSTLUDE Toccata

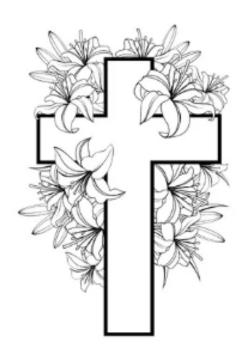
Charles-Marie Widor



EASTER BRASS

Special thanks to the musicians who have added their talent to today's celebration:

Luke Whorten and Adam Hershberger, trumpet Jacob Sizer, euphonium, and Karen Plosch, trombone





WE PRAY FOR those who have requested prayer this month:

T.J. Leo, Allen DeMarks, Kim Daniels, Vickey, Ginger Elliott, Carmela, Adam Sullivan, Doug Hotchkiss, Charles Rumberg, Twila, Carol, Wally, Ron Robertson, Gaynell Harris, Olivia, Carlos & Julianna Caguiat, Heather Foley, Denise Lancaster, Donna Wynn, Tim Ruane, Kristen Hamilton, Brian Sullivan, Mary Snyder, Brown / Daff Family as well as the entire Springfield / New Middletown community, Pat Rogers, Karen Kelly, Austin Muldowney, Susan Paczak, Bob, Jason, Sandra G, Joe Edwards, Eleanor Congdon, Bill Bonte.

Easter flowers given to the Glory of God in Loving Memory of

Connie & Barney Rumberg; Jennifer Van Scoter by Sue Flasco

Bill Elliott, Keith Elliott, May Howard, Mary Sossong by The Elliott Family

Theodore Wynn, Helen Webb, Mary Halfacre by Donna Wynn

In memory of my beloved son, John George Sladen; In thanksgiving for my children, Susan Petras, Mark R. Sladen, & David R. Sladen by Joann Sladen

> Gary Kirkland, Helen Kirkland, Ray Kirkland, Germaine DeMarks by Allen DeMarks

> > Jeff Eckenrode

by Sally Oberman

Sauni Cianciola by Jeff & Elizabeth Cianciola

Quaranta & Malone Families by Mary Jane Quaranta

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TODAY'S AUMBRY CANDLE is given to the honor and glory of God and in memory of Helen Webb by Donna Wynn.

We welcome you to St. John's.

If you are visiting with us, we ask that you fill out a Connection Card and place it in the offering plate, or sign the guest register located in the hallway.

DIOCESAN MISSION IMMERSION WEEK - April 27 - May 4 Canon Audra Abt will spend the week in your Mission Area visiting each faith community to become immersed in your mission and ministry. She wants to celebrate your strengths, gather meaningful stories, and explore challenges and opportunities that we, as a diocese, can address together.

St. John's, Youngstown Visit: Thursday, May 1 from 3-7:30pm

3:00-4:30 Neighborhood walk and mission mapping exercise, leaving from Red Doors

5:00-7:30 Open conversation about joys, challenges, and hopes for mission and ministry

The week will culminate in the **Big Southeast Mission Area Gathering**, where we hope to have 5 or more folks from each congregation come together with your mission area dean to worship, fellowship, learn from one another, and explore opportunities for collaboration. Cost is free; we just ask that you register to help us plan for lunch and snacks.

The Big Southeast Mission Area Gathering Saturday, May 3, 2025 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

At St. James Episcopal Church, Boardman (7640 Glenwood Ave, Boardman, OH 44512)

Please RSVP here [https://form.jotform.com/250915109302044] Questions? Email The Rev. Audra Abt, Canon for Innovation and Congregational Development, at aabt@dohio.org.