



*Alleluia!*

*The Lord is risen*

**EASTER DAY**

*The Sunday of Resurrection*

FESTIVAL HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

April 9, 2023, 10AM

Prelude

Festive Prelude on "Noel Nouvelet"

Aurelio Porfir

Processional Hymn 175, Hail thee, festival day!

SALVE FESTA DIES

*Refrain*

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for -

ev - er, day where - on Christ a - rose, break - ing the

king - dom of death. death.

1 Lo, the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the  
 3 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the  
 5 God the cre - a - tor, the Lord, who rul - est the  
 7 Spi - rit of life and of power, now flow in us,

win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good  
 glo - ry of blos - som; hea - ven her  
 earth and the hea - vens, guard us from  
 fount of our be - ing, light that dost

gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:  
 gates un - bars, fling - ing her in - crease of light:  
 harm with - out, cleanse us from e - vil with - in:  
 light - en all, life that in all dost a - bid:

2 He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and the  
 4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art au - thor of  
 6 Je - sus the health of the world, en - light - en our  
 8 Praise to the Giv - er of good! Thou Love who art

ru - ler of na - ture; all things cre - a - ted on  
 life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of  
 minds, thou Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -  
 au - thor of con - cord, pour out thy balm on our

earth sing to the glo - ry of God:  
 death, life thou be - stow - est on all:  
 preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God:  
 souls, or - der our ways in thy peace:

# THE WORD OF GOD

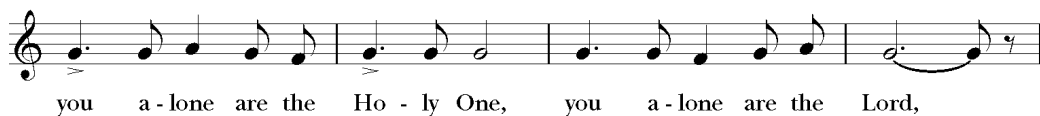
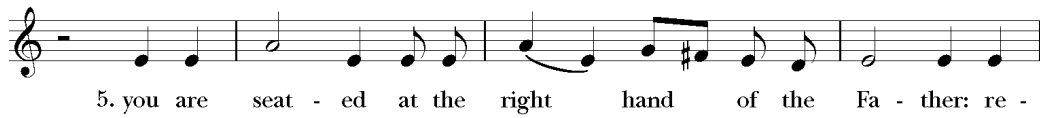
*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

*Presider* 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.**

## Gloria S-278

William Mathias



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* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* 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

### A reading from the Book of Acts.

ACTS 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "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** *read by all antiphonally*

- 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.

**A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.**

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Sequence Hymn 208, *The strife is o'er*

VICTORY

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Ped.*

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -  
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their  
 \*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es  
 4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from  
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph  
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly  
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our  
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his  
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Antiphon (at the end)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*The congregation stands and turns to face the Gospel procession.*

## The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

MATTHEW 28:1-10

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Nicene Creed**

**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 worshipped 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.**



## The Prayers of the People

*The Leader and the People pray responsively*

*LEM* Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered his people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, Let us lift our voices and pray,

*LEM* Risen Lord,  
*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

*LEM* Let us give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings he showers upon us: For our lives and for those whom we love, For the beauty of this home God has created for us, For our families and our friendships, Let us give thanks to the God of Life.

*Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.*

*LEM* Risen Lord,  
*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

*LEM* Let us pray for the Church, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God: For our clergy and our bishops, For the many lay people who serve the church, And serve the world through the church. For those gather here in worship and prayer.

*Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.*

*LEM* Risen Lord,  
*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

*LEM* Let us pray for the newly baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith.

*Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.*

*LEM* Risen Lord,  
*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

*LEM* Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, And that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up.

*Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.*

*LEM* Risen Lord,  
*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

*LEM* Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, those who struggle: and who have died: That the hope born of Easter give them peace, acceptance and renewal, And that through their struggles they may come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores.

*Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.*

*LEM* Risen Lord,  
*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

*Presider* O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*All stand.*

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Welcome & Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem

*Hallelujah* from *Messiah*

G. F. Handel

All Saints' Choir, Julian Cartwright, violin

### The Doxology, Hymn 380, vs. 3

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

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.

### The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing. The Presider faces them and sings:*

#### Sursum Corda S-120

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. 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.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds:*

It is right, and 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 S-128**

Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven 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. Then 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:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider 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.

## **The Great Amen S-146**

McNeil Robinson II (1943-2015)



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

*Presider and People*

**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.*

*Presider* Let us pray.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation:*

So come to this table  
You who have much faith  
And you who would like to have more.

You who have been to this Sacrament often,  
And you who have not been for a long time.

You who have followed Jesus.  
And you who have failed. Come.

It is Christ who invites you to meet him here.  
Wherever you are in your journey of faith,  
You are welcome here at the Lord's table.

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion which will be offered as both bread and wine. If you receive only the bread **or** the wine, all the spiritual benefits of the Sacrament are fully conveyed.*

- Come forward at the invitation of the ushers and kneel or stand at the altar rail.
- The Host will be placed in your hand. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest.
- **To receive the wine** sip from the Chalice; the rim will be thoroughly wiped by the LEM before the next communicant. **OR** hold the Host in your open palm and the minister will dip it in the Chalice for you and place it back on your palm.  
*Individual communicants may not dip their Host in the wine themselves.*
- If you are not receiving today, please come forward for a blessing.

**Communion Hymn 204, *Now the green blade riseth***

NOËL 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.

## **The Post-Communion Prayer**

*Presider and People*

**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 Easter Blessing**

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

Closing Hymn 207, *Jesus Christ is risen today*

EASTER HYMN

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 Dismissal**

*The Presider dismisses the people with these words:*

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of Christ's resurrection.

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Postlude

*Fanfare*

Kenneth Leighton

*Thanks for coming today. Your presence here made  
our worship of God fuller and more joyous.  
You are invited to come again next week, or whenever you can.  
You are always welcome here.*

# All Saints' Announcements

*Easter lasts fifty days, until Pentecost. Keep celebrating!*

***Continue the Joy! Festive Coffee Hour & Easter Egg Hunt***

*Come for a Coffee Hour/Reception in the Parish Hall after service.*

*Kids in Grade 4 and younger are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt on the Parish House Lawn.*

## New to All Saints'?

Welcome, we're glad you are here. Please sign the guest book by the front door with your name, address and email address. Browse our website [www.allsaintsmillington.org](http://www.allsaintsmillington.org). And sign up for our weekly e-letter, Saints Alive!, through the portal on our website homepage..

## helping hands

**Twelve Baskets Food Pantry** is our shared outreach with First Presbyterian Church of Stirling, Meyersville Presbyterian Church, and Long Hill Township Community Resources/CERT. Twice a month we distribute both fresh and non-perishable foods, personal hygiene and cleaning products to neighbors in need in the Long Hill area. In-kind contributions and monetary donations are always welcome. Check the Twelve Baskets Facebook page or the parish website for more information. The pantry is open on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of every month from 10am-11:30am in the Parish House. The next distribution day is Saturday, April 15.

- **If you have fresh produce to donate**, drop off at the Parish House by 9:30am on open days.
- **Non-perishables** should be dropped off in the barrels at the side entrance of the Church at any time. Please don't bring them on a pantry day; the staff needs to focus on serving the clients who are shopping. *Thanks for all your support!*

## fun & fundraising

**Looking ahead to Rummage!** The Rummage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 30! We have passed the mid-year point and are now moving closer to it! In the meantime, if you have plastic zippered pouches that sheets and comforters come in, we can use them for Rummage. And start setting aside items for donation – first collection day is Sunday, August 6!

**Fish & Chips Dinner** – this is a tasty fundraiser—dinner by Argyles of Kearny!  
Save the date of Thursday, May 25 !!

## worship

**Choirs at All Saints'** – we have musical ensembles: a handbell choir and vocal choir for adults and children. We also welcome parishioners and friends to offer their musical talents through instrumental music. We'd love to have you participate!

*If you want to know more, speak with Director of Music Alison Siener Brown.*

**Compline** is prayed daily at 9:30 pm on Facebook Live. This is a short 15-minute 'bed-time' service of prayers, psalms, and calm. You may offer prayer requests and thanksgivings in the chat on this service. Please join us in prayer any night.

## formation

**Bible Study/Adult Christian Ed** meets weekly at 10:15am on Zoom. All are welcome – those new to Bible reading and those with long-time experience. We're not meeting this week, but we'll start again on April 19. Send an email to [allstsmill@hotmail.com](mailto:allstsmill@hotmail.com) for the link. Hope to see you there!

**Bedtime Prayers** on Facebook: Each evening at 9:30pm a volunteer from All Saints' leads the short service of Compline - the bedtime prayers of the Church. You are able to offer prayer requests or thanksgivings in real time. It's a peaceful way to end each day.  
[www.facebook.com/allsaintsmillington](http://www.facebook.com/allsaintsmillington)

## communications

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**Parish Office Closed** Monday-Wednesday this week, April 10-12, for the staff's Easter holiday. The office will be open on Thursday, April 13, from 9am-5pm.

Clergy, Vestry and Staff	
<b>Rector:</b> The Rev. Victoria Geer McGrath <b>Wardens:</b> Wendy Clarkson & Janet Gibbs <b>Vestry:</b> Stewart Cunningham, Matt Dalmedo, Steve Kowalik, Melissa Pagliaro, Betsy Wallace, Waring Webb	<b>Clerk:</b> Janet Gibbs <b>Treasurer:</b> Bob Jackson <b>Music Director:</b> Alison Siener Brown <b>Administrator:</b> Susie Harris

Happy Easter!

We are glad you are here today.

All Saints' is a church where all people are invited into a relationship with God that gives us wholeness, energy, meaning and purpose as followers of Jesus. We then offer that wholeness for the benefit of our wider community—love, blessing, care and companionship. We welcome you to come explore and enrich your spiritual life in the midst of this Christian community.

Blessings to you and those you love in this season of resurrection and renewal,

*Vicki +*

The Rev. Vicki McGrath+



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