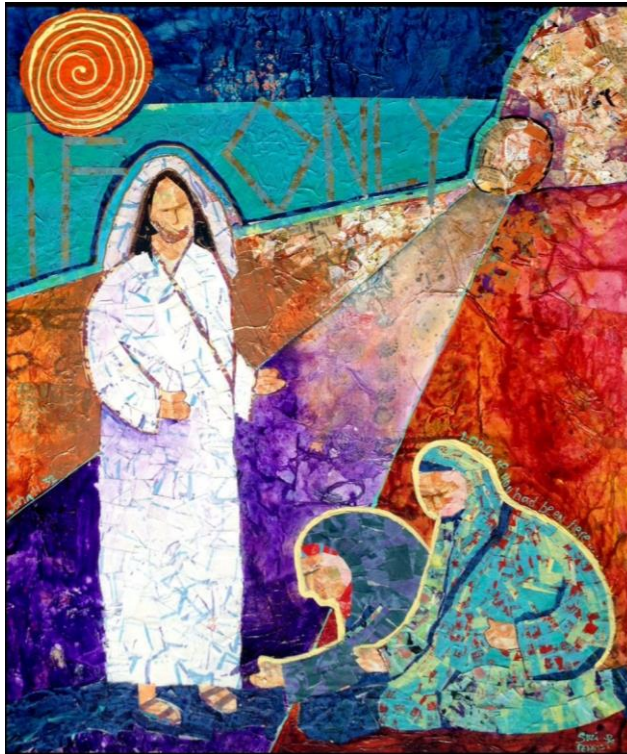


**EASTER DAY**  
**HOLY BAPTISM WITH HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**  
**APRIL 9, 2023 AT 11:00 A.M.**



**SPECIAL MUSIC BY BRAVURA BRASS**

*Basler Processional*  
*Land of Rest*  
*All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*  
*My Heart Ever Faithful*  
*Hymn of Resurrection*  
*Crown Him With Many Crowns*  
*All Creatures of our God and King*  
*To God be the Glory*  
*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*



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.

*People*            *Thanks be to God.*

### **PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24**

- 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.

## THE SECOND LESSON: 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.

*People Thanks be to God.*

## THE SEQUENCE HYMN

*He is risen, he is risen!*

**HYMNAL 180**

*vs. 1-2 before the Gospel reading; vs. 3-4 after the Gospel reading*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 28:1-10 (*please remain standing*)

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

*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.

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

## SERMON

THE REV. AMANDA KNOUSE

*Celebrant* The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.  
*Presenters* *I present Grant Qualls and Nathan Qualls to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

*Celebrant* Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?  
*Presenters* *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant* Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?  
*Presenters* *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?  
*Answer* *I renounce them.*

*Celebrant* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?  
*Answer* *I renounce them.*

*Celebrant* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?  
*Answer* *I renounce them.*

*Celebrant* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?  
*Answer* *I do.*

*Celebrant* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?  
*Answer* *I do.*

*Celebrant* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?  
*Answer* *I do.*

*The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

*Celebrant* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?  
*People* *We will.*

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

BCP 304

*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.*

### **PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE**

**BCP 305**

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

## **THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER**

**BCP 306**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **THE BAPTISM**

**BCP 307**

I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*





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,

**THE SANCTUS**      *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.*      **HYMNAL S-129**

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.

*We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

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.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMNAL S-149**

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

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

## **THE INVITATION**

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.

## ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*The Episcopal Church invites all who seek God to our Lord's table. If you wish to receive, please come forward to the altar rail when the usher indicates. Hold out your hands to receive the bread. If you do not wish to receive the wine, cross your arms over your chest when the wine passes. If you desire a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are also available.*

### COMMUNION MUSIC

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Bravura Brass

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**BCP 365**

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.

**THE BLESSING** *adapted from the The Rev. William Sloane Coffin*

May God give you grace not to sell yourselves short,  
Grace to risk something big for something good,  
Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth,  
and too small for anything but love.

May God take your minds and think through them.

May God take your lips and speak through them.

May God take your hands and work through them.

May God take your hearts and set them on fire.”

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
be upon you and remain with you always. Amen!

### CLOSING HYMN

*Christ is alive! Let Christians sing*

**HYMNAL 182**

### THE DISMISSAL

**BCP 366**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

### POSTLUDE

*Toccata*

Charles M. Widor

from Symphony No. 5 in F minor, Op. 42, No. 1



## THANK YOU

Thank you to our choir, altar guild, worship leaders, and staff for all the behind the scenes work allowing us to celebrate Easter in such holy and joyous ways!

A special thank you to the Bravura Brass Quintet for the inspiring music in today's service. Bravura Brass Quintet was founded in 1992 in the central Pennsylvania area. The original five musicians wanted an opportunity to continue playing with other professional players while teaching young musicians during the day. Over the years, Bravura has played throughout the region at numerous churches, community events and concert series. Bravura has played for groups such as the National Christian Choir, Table Singers, Cloister Choir and the Lancaster Summer Arts Festival. Some notable venues include Codorus State Park, Eicher Arts Center and Kitchen Kettle Village. No matter where Bravura performs, they strive to entertain audiences with quality brass music.

Current group members include trumpet players, Curtis Palmer and Jason Blome; French hornist Jill Graybill; trombonist Tony Deininger; and tubist Steve Holgate.

## AN INVITATION

Our Easter season continues for the next fifty days, so please join us for worship on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. or 10:15 a.m. or on Wednesdays at noon! You are welcome at St. John's!

**THE EASTER FLOWERS DECORATING THE CHURCH WERE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY:**

*Toni Ehrhart*

*In loving memory of Edward Ehrhart and Edward Ehrhart, Jr.*

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*In thanksgiving for Bill Moyer*

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*Michael & Sandy Patrone*

*In loving memory of our parents*

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*The Kilp Family & Mary Swisher*

*In loving memory of Lamar Swisher, Geraldine & Joe Kilp,  
Drucilla Rust & Hellen Farrell*

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Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by filling out a pew card and placing it in the offertory plate.

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