

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

EASTER SUNDAY April 4, 2021

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

We ask everyone to abide by the following measures as recommended by the CDC and required by state regulations and our host facility:

STAY HOME IF SICK. Stay home if you or anyone in your home has been sick or had symptoms of illness in the last 24 hours.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING. Maintain physical distancing, six feet whenever possible, between yourself and everyone who does not live with you.

FACE COVERINGS. Everyone older than five is required to wear face covering. WASH HANDS. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Modifications to our Service:

CHILDREN. We love the presence of children in our worship! While we do not have childcare during this season, we will provide a Children's Liturgy and activity each week. Parents are welcome to get up and move around with their little ones as needed.

HOLY COMMUNION. The celebrant will drop a wafer in your hands without touching you. If you desire to also receive wine, you may bring a cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family). Receiving only the bread is an acceptable way of receiving full communion.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Congregational responses are indicated in boldface.

The Day of Resurrection

Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.; Music: Ellacombe; © Oxford University Press



THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Celebrant then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

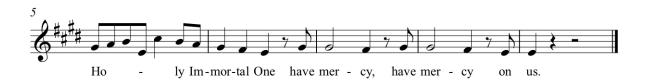
Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

THE TRISAGION

by Fernando Ortega





THE GLORIA

Glory to God: Gloria in Excelsis

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music-#277 Canticle 20



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

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, by your life-giving Spirit, be delivered from sin and raised from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

ISAIAH 25:6-9

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:14-17, 22-24

- ¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.
- ¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,
- ¹⁶ the right hand of the LORD exalts, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"
- ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

ACTS 10:34-43

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THE GOSPEL



MARK 16:1-8

All stand for the Gospel as the Priest reads, first saying

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE EXHORTATION AND PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Celebrant then addresses the Congregation, first inviting them to stand.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

The Congregation responds

We will.

The Celebrant then says

Let us join with *these Candidates* to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

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

Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by 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.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

I do. 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. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE CANDIDATES

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon *these* your *servants*. Wash and sanctify *them* through your Holy Spirit, that *they* may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, *they* may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

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 in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove.

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 made regenerate 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.

Here the Celebrant touches the water and says

Now, Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. May all who are baptized here be cleansed from sin, be born again, and continue for ever faithful 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

When all have been baptized and signed the Celebrant says

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *these* your *servants* the forgiveness of sin, received *them* as your own *children* by adoption, made *them members* of your holy Church, and raised *them* to the new life of grace. Sustain *them*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that *they* may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant says to the People

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people

THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

As a health precaution we are not passing an offering basket at this time. You may place an offering in the basket at the entrance, give online at holycrossva.org/give, text "Give" to 434-277-4975, or mail a check to PO Box 614, Crozet, VA 22932.

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

Text: Christ lag in Todes Banden, by Martin Luther, 1524; tr. Richard Massie, 1858 (alt'd); Tune: Medieval melody arranged by J. Walther, 1524



THE SURSUM CORDA

The Celebrant says to the People

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And with your spirit.

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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The Celebrant and the People say together

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The celebrant will, as always, wash and sanitize his hands before the service and again right before communion.

To receive communion, come forward as directed by the usher. Extend both of your hands, crossed together, and the priest will drop the bread into your hands without contact. Please maintain physical distance in the communion line.

If you desire to receive wine, please bring a chalice or cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family). After receiving the bread (and wine), return to your seats, and remove your face covering to consume the bread and wine.

If you do not desire to commune, you may come forward to receive a blessing or remain seated.

All baptized Christians who trust in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, seek to lead a new life by God's mercies, and strive to walk in love and charity with their neighbors are welcome at this table.

PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR USE DURING COMMUNION

For those who Desire to Commit to the Christian Faith

Lord Jesus Christ, I am broken by sin and unable to save myself. I believe that you died for me, bearing my punishment on the cross, and that you offer me forgiveness and new life in you. I turn from my sins and trust in you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

For those in Search of Truth

God, I am uncertain whether you exist and whether you are listening to me now. I want to know the truth, and I am willing to live according to it. If you are there, please reveal yourself to me and give me faith that leads to the abundant life promised by Jesus Christ. Amen.

For those who Desire a Deeper Faith

Almighty and eternal God, so draw my heart to you, so guide my mind, so fill my imagination, so control my will, that I may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use me according to your will, for your glory and the welfare of your people. Amen.

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem

Text: Fulbert of Chartres (?-1028); tr. Robert Campbell; Tune: Moore's Psalm Singer's Pocket Companion, 1756



That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.; Music: European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621



Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739; Music: Lyra Davidica, 1708, United Methodist Hymnal 302



THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, 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 into the world 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 forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (verses 4-6)

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739; Music: Lyra Davidica, 1708, United Methodist Hymnal 302

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia! Praise to thee both be given, Alleluia! Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia! Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!

King of glory, soul of bliss, Alleluia! Everlasting life is this, Alleluia! Thee to know, thy power to prove, Alleluia! Thus to sing, and thus to love, Alleluia!

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Cross Prayer Ministry A team of parishioners is available to pray daily for needs within the parish. Send prayer requests to Tom Harrison at thar65@gmail.com, and he will forward them to team members. All requests are held in strict confidence.

Evening Prayer Join us online via Zoom for Evening Prayer at 5 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays (holycrossva.org/morning-and-evening-prayer).

Men's Bible Study The Holy Cross Men's Bible Study is studying the Book of James on Wednesday mornings via Zoom. Informal chat at 6:30 AM, program at 6:45 AM, and done by 7:30 AM. Contact Mark House (mhouse@empoweringleaders.com) for questions/details.

Crozet Raised Volunteers are needed to support Crozet Raised, a new ministry formed to address food scarcity in our community. Each Saturday (12-2 PM), Legacieats, in partnership with Crozet Baptist Church and generous donors, prepare and distribute 200 hot, home-cooked meals. Kitchen help (packaging meals) and delivery help (to those who cannot pick up at the church) are needed. Questions? Visit Legacieats' Facebook page or contact Meg Clute at meg.clute@gmail.com.

Daily Prayer Booklets The prayer booklets include readings for Easter and Pentecost. Families with young children may appreciate the simplified version also available. Download these booklets through our website (holycrossva.org/common-prayer), or let Kate know if you'd like printed copies.

Charlottesville Church Plant In partnership with our Diocese, we are in the beginning stages of planting a parish in Charlottesville. If you are interested in learning more about this work, visit (holycrossva.org/charlottesville).

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