

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Welcome

We are delighted you are here. Whoever you are and wherever you might be on your spiritual journey, we hope your experience here will encourage and strengthen you. We are sure that your presence here today strengthens and encourages others.

Every weekend we offer several different services of worship (Saturday at 5:30 p.m., and Sunday at 8, 9 and 11:15 a.m., and 5:30 and 8 p.m.), each with its own character. At 9 a.m. Sunday, there are two services happening simultaneously—one in the Fellowship Hall, and the other in the smaller brick chapel known as “Palmer Hall.”

The service in Palmer Hall involves conversational instruction about the worship experience in a more intimate space. The service in the Fellowship Hall is intended to be equally welcoming, without conversational instruction, and the setting feels to some more transcendent. Both of these services have important roles for children, and people of all ages are most welcome at any of our services. You might enjoy experimenting, in order to find the service that is most helpful to you.

All are welcome to receive Communion. There are instructions about receiving the bread and wine on page 9, but please do not worry about “doing it right.” The important thing is simply that you know that God welcomes you, and there is no telling how God might reach you in Communion. Just be open.

You are always welcome here.

Gary D. Jones, *Rector*

Easter Day ☩ April 1, 2018

Holy Eucharist: Rite One ☩ 7:30 A.M.

In order to allow for private prayer, please observe silence upon entering the church.

Organ Prelude *Fanfare*

John Cook

Processional Hymn 179 (verses 1, 4 & 5) Welcome, happy morning! *Sung by all, standing.* *Fortunatus*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation *Please stand.* The Book of Common Prayer, page 323

The Collect for Purity Prayer Book, page 323

The Summary of the Law Prayer Book, page 324

Gloria in excelsis *Said by all.* Prayer Book, page 324

The Collect of the Day Prayer Book, page 170

Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 *Please sit.*

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

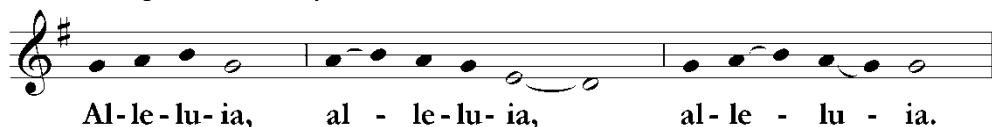
I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse*Please stand.**The Cantor sings first, followed by all. The Cantor sings a verse. Then all sing 'Alleluia.'**Cantor* "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever."**The Holy Gospel** John 20:1-18*Please remain standing and face the reader of the Gospel.**Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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 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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.***The Cantor sings, then all repeat.***The Sermon** The Rev. Gary D. Jones*Please sit.***The Nicene Creed***Please stand.*

Prayer Book, page 326

The Prayers of the People*Please kneel.*

Prayer Book, page 328

The Peace*Please stand.*

Prayer Book, page 332

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.
After exchanging the Peace, please be seated.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Organ Voluntary *Deck Thyself with Joy and Gladness*

Flor Peeters

At the Presentation

Sung by all, standing.

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia!

Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. O praise him; O praise him; Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving

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Please kneel after the Sanctus.

The Lord's Prayer

Said by all.

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The Breaking of the Bread

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The Prayer of Humble Access

Said by all.

Prayer Book, page 337

Please come forward to receive the Sacrament at the main altar or Good Shepherd Chapel.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Please kneel.

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The Blessing

Prayer Book, page 339

Hymn 207 (verses 1, 2 & 4) Jesus Christ is risen today *Sung by all, standing.*

Easter Hymn

The Dismissal

Prayer Book, page 339

Organ Postlude *Toccata* (from Symphony No. 5)

Charles Marie Widor



Celebrant: Claudia W. Merritt; **Deacon:** Stephen Y. McGehee; **Subdeacon:** Synthia Waymack; **Lay Reader:** Tony Anthony; **Preacher:** Gary D. Jones; **Assisting Priest:** William L. Sachs; **Intercessor:** Diann Hawks; **Chalice Bearers:** Tony Anthony, Barbara Massey, Pamela O'Berry; **Acolytes/Intinction Cup:** Quinn Bundy, Christian Carlow, Arden Locher, Hunter Locher; **Organist:** Greg Vick; **Ushers:** Sam Derieux, Mary Parsley, Bob Chewing, Robert Dilday; **April Altar Guild:** Anne Pinion, *leader*, Carol Dickinson, Elizabeth Greene, Marnie Huger, Molly Johnson, Anne Peck, Elizabeth Spell, Becky Trader, Anne Turnbull; **April Flower Guild:** Molly Hood, *leader*, Becky Anthony, Kathryn Angus, Anne Martin, Tina Milner, Jessica Tongel, Lena Scott

The Parish Prayer List

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