

# EASTER SUNDAY

20<sup>th</sup> of April in the Year of our Lord, 2025  
06:00am – “The Sunrise Service”

*“Renewing **You**. Renewing **The City**.  
Renewing **The World**.”*



Welcome!

We are so glad that you've chosen to worship with us in this special season. If you are new or visiting, and would like to receive our parish newsletter and other communications, please visit our website at [www.galileechurch.net](http://www.galileechurch.net) and click on Resources.

We look forward to getting to know you and sharing about the many opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship at Galilee Church. We hope and pray that you will find a warm, welcoming church-home among us.

Grace + peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrew Buchanan".

Celebrant: The Rev'd Ben Randall

## The Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*All* - **The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!**

My friends: 'Do not be astonished at this; for the hour is coming when all who are in their graves will hear His voice [and will come out]'.  
*(Jn.5:28.)*

- So let us sing that He might hear ours:

**Song:**     *"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"*

- 1    Jesus Christ is risen today,  
      our triumphant holy day,  
      who did once upon the cross,  
      suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2    Hymns of praise then let us sing,  
      unto Christ, our heavenly King,  
      who endured the cross and grave,  
      sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3    But the pains which he endured,  
      our salvation have procured;  
      now above the sky he's King,  
      where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4    Sing we to our God above  
      praise eternal as his love;  
      praise him, all ye heavenly host,  
      Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## The Collect for the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

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 our 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 Word of God

A lesson from *Corinthians*:

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup> for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup> But each in His own order: Christ the first fruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after He has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

*(1 Cor. 15:19-26)*

The Word of the Lord.

*All* - **Thanks be to God.**

Hear the holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Luke*:

*All* - **Glory to you, O Lord.**

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup> Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered His words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

*(Luke 24:1-12)*

Alleluia – this is the Gospel of the Lord!

*All* - **Praise to you, O Christ. Alleluia!**

A Homily

*The Rev'd Ben Randall*

The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church:

*All* - **that we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you:

*All* - **that your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons:

*All* - **that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world:

*All* - **that there may be justice and peace on the Earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake:

*All* - **that our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble:

*All* - **that they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest:

*All* - **let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy!

*All* - **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom, amen.**

## Confessing our Sins

Let us confess our sins against God and neighbor:

*All* - **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name, amen.**

*The minister reminds the people of God's promised forgiveness for the sincerely penitent, saying:*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life,

*All* - **amen.**

## The Peace

My friends – brothers and sisters in Christ: the peace of the Lord be always with you!

*All* - **And also with you.**

*(All exchange a sign of peace.)*

## Holy Communion or “The Lord’s Supper”

The Lord be with you.

*All* - **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

*All* - **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* - **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

*All* - **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty –  
early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty;  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*All* - **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

*All* - **amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

And so 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.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever, amen.**

### Communion of the People

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All* - **Therefore, let us keep the feast: alleluia!**

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:

*(Please form an orderly line.)*

**Song:**      *“Once Again” by Matt Redman*      *“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”*

1      Jesus Christ  
I think upon Your sacrifice  
You became nothing  
Poured out to death  
Many times I've wondered  
At Your gift of life  
And I'm in that place once again  
I'm in that place once again

C      Once again  
I look upon the cross  
Where You died  
I'm humbled by Your mercy  
And I'm broken inside  
Once again I thank You  
Once again I pour out my life

2      Now You are  
Exalted to the highest place  
King of the heavens  
Where one day I'll bow  
But for now  
I marvel at this saving grace  
And I'm full of praise once again  
I'm full of praise once again

(Bridge)  
Thank You for the cross  
Thank You for the cross  
Thank You for the cross my Friend

1      Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

2      'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear  
And Grace my fears re – lieved  
How precious did that Grace appear  
The hour I first believed

C      My chains are gone,  
I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love, Amazing Grace

3      The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

4      The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

### The Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray:

*All -* **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 Blessing & Dismissal

May God the Father, by whose power Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with Him in His risen life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always,

*All* - amen.

**Song:** *“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”*

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:  
    join the great throng,  
    psaltery, organ, and song,  
    sounding in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth:  
borne as on eagle-wings, safely his saints he sustaineth.  
    Hast thou not seen  
    how all thou needest hath been  
    granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee;  
    ponder anew  
    what the Almighty can do,  
    who with his love doth befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!  
    Let the amen  
    sound from his people again;  
    gladly for ever adore him.

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*All* - **Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**