

# **St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**April 5, 2026**

**The Rev. David J. Malek – Rector**  
**The Rev. Susan Naylor - Deacon**

# THE WORD OF GOD

## Prelude

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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## Opening Hymn #207 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Celebrant: 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 - (See next page for music)*

Canticle 20  
Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

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1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4. you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

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.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, siblings in Christ, God is with you.  
People: *And also, with you.*  
Celebrant: Let us pray.

## The Lessons

### **The First Reading – *See Insert***

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

### **Psalm Response – *See Insert* Said in unison**

### **The Second Reading - *See Insert***

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

*Please Stand*

### **Sequence Hymn #210 The Day of Resurrection (vs. 1-3)**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to \_\_\_\_\_.

People: ***Glory to you, O Christ.***

### **The Holy Gospel – *See Insert***

Deacon: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

### **Sequence Hymn #210 The Day of Resurrection (vs. 4-5)**

### **The Sermon**

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant: Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

Deacon Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People ***I do.***

Deacon Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Deacon 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.***

Deacon 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.***

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

Celebrant God is with you.  
People ***And also with you.***  
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant  
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.

### **Sprinkling Rite**

Celebrant: May this water be a reminder of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit which enlightens us with Holy Wisdom: that it may renew in us our call to ministry and strengthen us for loving service, that we may proclaim and live the Good News of Christ.

### **The Prayers of the People**

Deacon: We come with anticipation on this first day of the week to become witnesses, sharing in the resurrection life of Jesus, as we pray; Alleluia Christ is risen. *He is risen indeed, Alleluia!*

Worship Leader:

God of love, we rejoice with angels, and all the host of heaven, as we celebrate the Resurrection of your Son. Bless today's joyful celebration and turn our hearts to you with new delight and commitment.

*We praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!*

God of mercy, bring your church to new life. Awaken in us a faithfulness that manifests itself in joy, in dedication to the work of reconciliation in the world, in care for your creation, and in awe of your glory.

*We praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!*

God of wholeness, bring those who suffer to new life. We pray for those who bear the burden of pain and anxiety, whose relationships are shattered, whose lives are full of despair. Lead us to find ways to be present with them and reflect your love for them.

*We praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!*

God of light, bring those in authority to new life in the ways that they lead their nations. Show them the path of integrity and truth that their people may live in peace and, that all may have plenty.

***We praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!***

God of eternity, we give thanks for those who have gone before us and have entered into new and everlasting life in your presence.

***We praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!***

**We pray for our Parishioners:**

**For our friends and relatives:**

**We also pray for the ministry of:**

**In the Diocesan Cycle of prayer:**

Celebrant: You have anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, O Eternal One, and raised him from death on the cross into resurrection life; Feed us with his life as we eat and drink with him in our Easter Eucharist, that we may be his witnesses, sharing in the Spirit's work of reconciliation and peace, through the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Savior.

People: ***Amen.***

**The Peace**

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

**Announcements**

Celebrant: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem: Sing a Joyous Alleluia – Linda Spevacek

*Please stand as the gifts are brought forward to the altar.*

#### PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

OLD HUNDREDTH

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow'. The music is written in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: 'Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all'. The second staff contains: 'crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye'. The third staff contains: 'heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.' The music ends with a double bar line.

Text: LM; verses 1, 4, Thomas Ken, 1637–1711; verses 2, 3, Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510–1561, alt.

- Celebrant: God is with you.  
People: ***And also, with you.***  
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.  
People: ***We lift them to the Lord.***  
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.  
People: ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Celebrant: It is right, and a 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*

The Holy Eucharist II

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Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

Ho · ly, ho · ly, ho · ly Lord, God of pow · er and might, heav · en 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.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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,

Celebrant and People:

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

The Celebrant continues:

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 St. Barnabas and 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. **AMEN.**

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

Celebrant 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**

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

*Agnus Dei*

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The Holy Eucharist II

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

**Celebrant:** These are the gifts of God for the People of God.

**Deacon:** The table of Christ's body and blood is now made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus. It is the table of sharing with the poor and lowly of the world, with whom Jesus identified.

**Celebrant:** So come to this table you who have much faith or you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time. Come. It is Christ who invites you to meet him here.

**People:** *Amen. As the bread and wine we now eat are transformed, may we be changed into the likeness of Christ; bone of his bone, flesh of his flesh, loving and caring for the world.*

*All are welcome to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come up for a blessing.*

**Communion Hymn # 305 Come Risen Lord**

**Post Communion prayer:**

*God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**Easter Blessing:**

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon us the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

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 forever. *Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

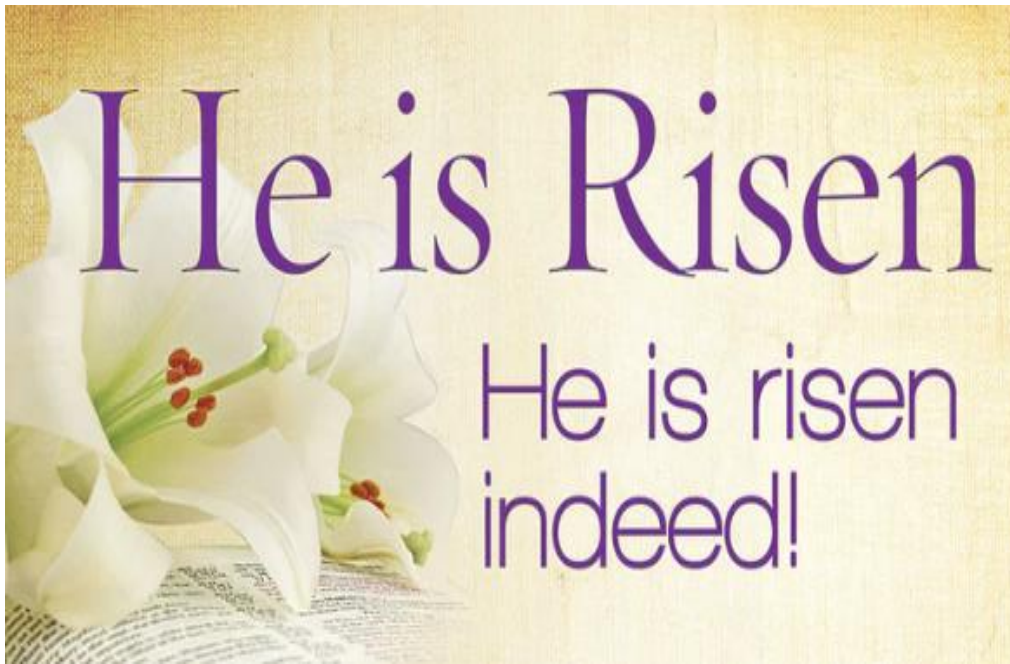
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. *Amen.*

**Closing Hymn #182 – Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing!**

**The Dismissal**

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

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



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