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April 5, 2026
Easter Day
10:30 am



**Welcome to Christ Church Deer Park!
We are delighted you are here.**

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinabek, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples. This territory is part of the Dish with One Spoon Treaty, an agreement between the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee, and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. Today, Toronto is still home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and we seek to live in respect, peace, and right relations with them as we meet and worship on their territory. We are grateful for the resources we are using, and honour all the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people who have been living on this land since time immemorial.

Please note all hymn numbers are from *Common Praise*, the blue hymnal.

Trumpet Prelude Laudate Dominum

André Campra

Organ Prelude Chorale Prelude on “Good Christians, All Rejoice and Sing”

Healey Willan

Welcome & Gathering

Opening Hymn - Jesus Christ is Risen Today - CP #203

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

(please stand as you are able)

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!
unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, alleluia!
our salvation have procured; alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Text and Music: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.

Gathering

(please remain standing)

Presider: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Gloria “Coronation” Mass in C major, KV 317

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.

Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe.

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise
you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord
God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

*Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.
Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.*

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

Listening to God – First Reading

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God."
Jeremiah 31:1-6, NRSVA

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118

Melody: G. Black, based on a theme of M. Vulpius

The refrain is first sung by the cantor and then repeated by all.

Refrain:



On__ this day the Lord has act - ed; we will re - joice__ and be glad.

Cantor: Give thanks to the Lord,
 for he is good;
 his mercy endures for ever.
 Let Israel now proclaim,
 "His mercy endures for ever." **Refrain**

The Lord is my strength and my song,
 and he has become my salvation.
 There is a sound of exultation and victory
 in the tents of the righteous:
 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!
 the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
 the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!" **Refrain**

I shall not die, but live,
 and declare the works of the Lord.
 The Lord has punished me sorely,
 but he did not hand me over to death. **Refrain**

Open for me the gates of righteousness;
 I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
 "This is the gate of the Lord;
 he who is righteous may enter." **Refrain**

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
 and have become my salvation.
 The same stone which the builders rejected
 has become the chief cornerstone. **Refrain**

This is the Lord's doing,
 and it is marvellous in our eyes.
 On this day the Lord has acted;
 we will rejoice and be glad in it. **Refrain**

Listening to God – Second Reading

Reader: A reading from Acts.

Then Peter began to speak to the Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ - he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with 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."

Acts 10:34-43, NRSVA

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

(please remain seated)

Christ the Lord is Risen Today - 206, vv. 1-3

LLANFAIR

All: Christ the Lord is risen today, alleluia!
earth and heaven in chorus say, alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; alleluia!
sing, ye heavens and earth reply: alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, alleluia!
fought the fight, the battle won, alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley
Music: Robert Williams

The Holy Gospel

(please remain standing)

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

John 20:1-18, NRSVA

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sequence Hymn - Christ the Lord is Risen Today - 206, vv. 4-5

LLANFAIR

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 by both be given, alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, alleluia!
Hail the Resurrection, thou, alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley Music: Robert Williams

Homily

(please be seated)

Choral Music for Reflection - Alleluia

Fredrik Sixten

The Nicene Creed

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(please stand, kneel, or sit as you are able)

The Peace

(please remain standing)

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to remain standing for the offertory.

Sharing What We Have

Presider: We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.
Let us give away generously, in this offering,
to bless God's church, God's people, and God's creation. Amen.

Offertory Hymn - The Day of Resurrection

ELLACOMBE

- All:** The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness,
the passover of God!
- Upper voices:** From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.
- Lower voices:** Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
- Upper voices:** and, listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.
- All:** Now let the heavens be joyful,
let earth the song begin,
let the round world keep triumph,
and all that is therein.
Let all things seen and unseen
their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
our joy that hath no end.

Text: John of Damascus, tr. J. M. Neale; Music: *Gesangbuch*, Württemberg, 1784

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Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: Amen.

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

Presider People Presider People

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider People

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus Missa Pacem

L.R. Babin

All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and

10 earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the

19 high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name, who comes in the name of the

27 Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est!

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Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Priest

There-fore, Father, according to his com-mand,

All

we re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion, we a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

A - men, a - men, A - men. A - men, a - men, a - men.

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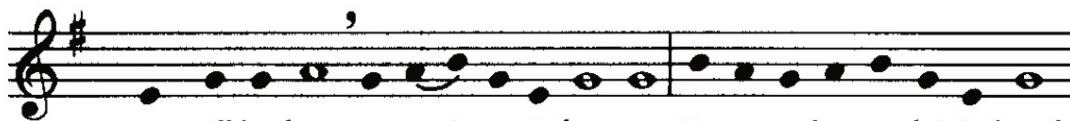
The Lord's Prayer

M. Robinson II

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:



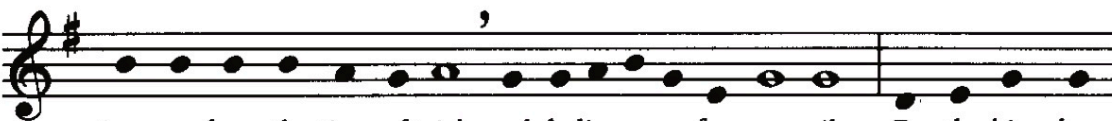
All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,



your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Presider: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Presider: **Live in us, that we may live in you.**

Presider: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia refrain is first sung by the choir, then repeated by all.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Choir: Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



there - fore let us keep the feast.



All: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

(please be seated)

A Note about Holy Communion

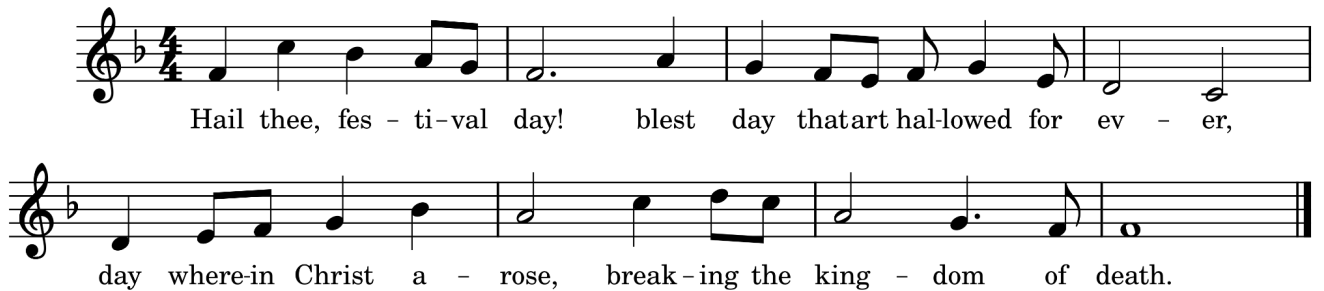
All are invited to receive communion with us. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the Bread in the Chalice). If you wish to abstain from receiving the Chalice, you may indicate this to the Chalice bearer by crossing your arms over your chest. If you prefer simply to receive a blessing, as you reach the priest with the bread, cross your arms over your chest. Return to your seat after receiving the blessing. The response to receiving bread, wine, or a blessing is "Amen."

Communion Hymn

Hail Thee, Festival Day

SALVE FESTA DIES

Refrain:



Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! blest day that art hal-lowed for ev - er,
day where-in Christ a - rose, break-ing the king - dom of death.

Choir: Lo, the fair beauty of earth,
from the death of the winter arising!
Every good gift of the year
now with its Saviour returns. **Refrain**

He who was nailed to the cross
is God and the ruler of all things;
all things created on earth
worship the maker of all. **Refrain**

Mourning they laid thee to rest,
who art author of life and creation;
treading the pathway of death,
life thou bestowedst on all. **Refrain**

God of all pity and power,
let thy word be assured to the doubting;
light on the third day returns:
rise, Son of God, from the tomb! **Refrain**

Text: Venantius Fortunatus, tr. M.F. Bell; Music: R. Vaughan Williams

Communion Anthem - Hallelujah

George Frideric Handel

Hallelujah! (*repeated*)
For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah!

The kingdom of this world;
is become the kingdom of our Lord,
and of His Christ.

And He shall reign forever and ever
King of kings forever and ever and Lord of lords forever and ever.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Lord Jesus, we have feasted on the bread of life. We have quenched our thirst with the wine of your new kingdom. In your risen power you have united us with all our loved ones in heaven and on earth. May that communion strengthen and renew us, bring us hope and joy, today and in the days to come. To you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, be glory here and everywhere, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

Presider: May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life. And may the blessing of God Almighty – Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifying Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, this day and always.

All: Amen.

Announcements

(please stand as you are able)

Closing Hymn - That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

That Easter day with joy was bright,
The sun shone out with fairer light,
Alleluia, alleluia!
When to their longing eyes restored,
The glad apostles saw their Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

His risen flesh with radiance glowed;
His wounded hands and feet he showed;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Those scars their solemn witness gave
That Christ was risen from the grave.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

O Jesus, in your gentleness,
With constant love our hearts possess;
Alleluia, alleluia!

To you our lips will ever raise
The tribute of our grateful praise.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Easter-tide;
Alleluia, alleluia!
From ev'ry weapon death can wield
Your own redeemed for ever shield.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

All praise to you, O risen Lord,
Now by both heav'n and earth adored;
Alleluia, alleluia!
To God the Father equal praise,
And Spirit blest our songs we raise.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

Clergy: Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude *Finale* from Symphonie No. 1

Louis Vierne

Happy Easter! Please join us after the service in Elliott Hall for refreshments.

Musical Note

Hallelujah! Alleluia! Glory to God in the Highest! These are just some of the words of praise that resound on Easter Sunday morning throughout our hymns and anthems. This Sunday's choral anthem, George Frideric Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah*, composed in 1741, is perhaps one of the most famous expressions of pascal joy in all of the choral repertoire. We will also feature another celebratory classic: the *Gloria* from W.A. Mozart's *Coronation Mass*. Alongside these exuberant choral works and hymns made resplendent by the Blundell Brass trio, the choir will offer Swedish composer Fredrik Sixten's *Alleluia*, written in 2014, a quieter expression of gladness—one that is full of awe, wonder, and amazement. May these varied musical offerings invite us to enter more deeply into the mysteries and the joy of the Resurrection.

Assisting with the Liturgy

Presider and Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Dr. Alison Falby

Assisting Clergy: The Rev'd Cathy Gibbs

Director of Music & Organist: Stefani Bedin

Choral Section Leads: Emily Ding, Maren Richardson, Kelsey Taylor (guest),
Julia Barber, Martin So, Peter Warren, Kieran Kane (guest)

Trumpeters: The Blundell Brass

Reader: Elsa Jones

Prayers for the People: Nigel Johnson

Livestream Technician: Zongfan Li

Verger: Rikk Scapillato

Warden on Duty: Katherine MacDonald

SidesPerson / Greeter : John Goodwin

Candle Floral Arrangement: Karen Lenk

Next Week's Worship Preview:

Second Sunday of Easter – April 12, 2026

Readings: Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Pet 1:3-9, John 20:19-31

Presider : Rev'd Alison Falby (8am, Presider and Preacher at 9:15am)

Preacher: Rev'd Cathy Gibbs (8am, 10:30am)

Hymns: Christ the Lord is Risen Again | O Sons & Daughters | We Walk By Faith | Thine Be The Glory

Choral anthem: This Joyful Eastertide (arr. P. Ledger)

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Participating in the Offertory

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