

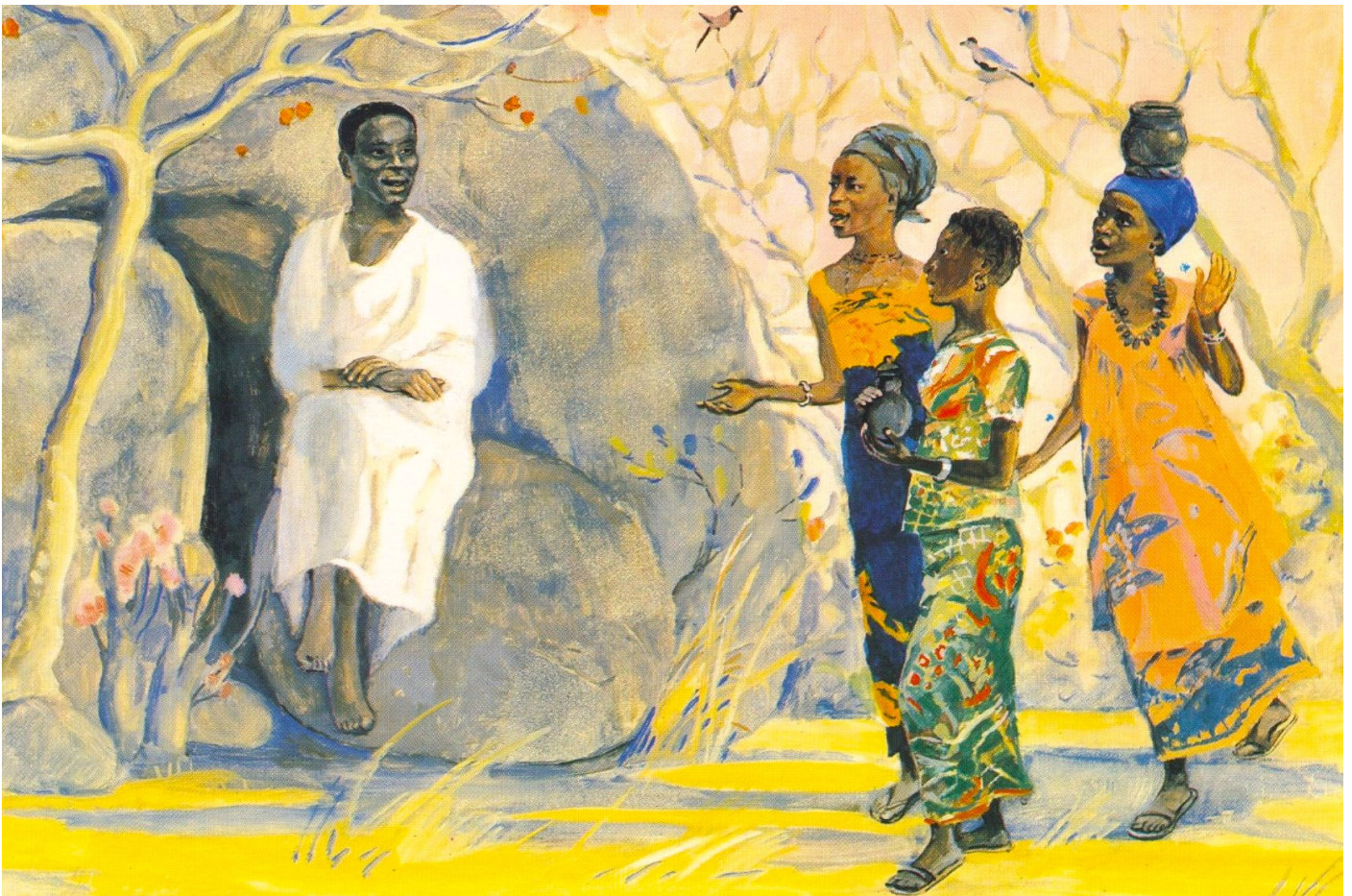
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH, GENEVA

Easter Day

Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, 10:30

Holy Eucharist, Baptism & Agape

(Gathered & Livestreamed)



*The Empty Tomb*  
Jesus Mafa (Cameroon)

# Prelude

## Hymn

### Hail thee, festival day!

H.175

*Refrain*

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for -

ev - er, day where - on Christ a - rose, break - ing the

king - dom of death. death.

1 Lo, the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the  
 3 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the  
 5 God the cre - a - tor, the Lord, who — rul - est the  
 7 Spi - rit of life and of power, now — flow in us,

win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good  
 glo - ry of blos - som; hea - ven her  
 earth and the hea - vens, guard us from  
 fount of our be - ing, light that dost

*Repeat Refrain*

gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:  
 gates un - bars, fling - ing her in - crease of light:  
 harm with - out, cleanse us from e - vil with - in:  
 light - en — all, life that in all dost a - bide:

2 He who was nailed to the cross is — Lord and the  
 4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art au - thor of  
 6 Je - sus the health of the world, en - light - en our  
 8 Praise to the Giv - er of good! Thou — Love who art

ru - ler of na - ture; all things cre - a - ted on  
 life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of  
 minds, thou Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -  
 au - thor of con - cord, pour out thy balm on our

*Repeat Refrain*

earth sing to the glo - ry of God:  
 death, thou be - stow - est on all:  
 preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God:  
 souls, or - der our ways in thy peace:

*The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.*

## The Word of God

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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 Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

### The Collect

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 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. **Amen.**

### The Epistle

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other 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."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymns** *during which you are invited forward to flower the cross.*

This joyful Eastertide

H.192

*Unison or harmony*

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the  
3 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son

sor - row! My Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath  
riv - er: Lord of all life, from ill my  
slum - ber, till trump from east to west shall

*Refrain*

sprung to life this mor - row.  
pass - ing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was  
wake the dead in num - ber.

slain, ne'er burst his three-day pri - son, our faith had been in

vain; but now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

ris - en, a - ris - en.

Love's redeeming work is done

H.189



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the  
 2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is  
 3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex -



bat - tle won. Death in vain for - bids him rise;  
 now thy sting? Once he died our souls to save,  
 alt - ed Head; made like him, like him we rise,



Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al - le - lu - ia!



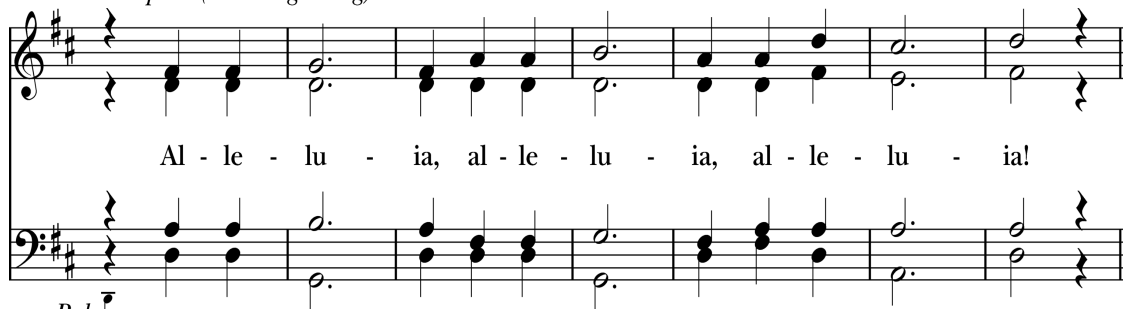
al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_  
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The strife is o'er

H.208

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*



*Ped.*



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -  
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their  
 \*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es  
 4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from  
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread



1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph  
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly  
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our  
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his  
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

**The Gospel**

**Mark 16:1-8**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Michael Rusk

# Holy Baptism

## Presentation of the Candidates

*The Celebrant says*

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Parents and Godparents*

I present ... to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*

I will, with God's help.

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents*

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer **I do.**

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer **I do.**

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer **I do.**

*The Celebrant then says these or similar words*

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.



*Baptism of Jesus, Jesus Mafa*

## The Baptismal Covenant

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## Prayers for the Candidates

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*A Person appointed leads the following petitions*

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**



*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

*The African Singing Group will sing as the procession makes its way to the font.*

Nyame'a bodze wu ra'a etse'a se daa nyinaa,  
Womba nyinaa dze ehursi beka de Nyame'e  
wonkoara.

Wonkoara, wonkoara, wonkoara -a-  
Nyame e wonkoara

Daa nyinaa mosore a, meka de wonkoara, Nyame e  
wonkoara.

Se yebanya edzi'a Okatakyie e yen wura Jesus  
Wonkoara, Nyame e wonkoara.

Ayaresa a Nyame n'odze ma, yebeka de wonkoara,  
Nyame e wonkoara.

Yen wura Jesus, aseda se wo yedze bema  
Wonkoara, Nyame e wonkoara.

Eternal God of all Creation

All beings joyfully proclaim that You alone are God.

You alone, you alone, you alone, Lord,  
You alone are God.

As I rise each morning, I shall proclaim that You  
alone are God.

Mighty Lord, you provide our daily bread. Lord  
Jesus, You alone are God.

God of healing, we proclaim and glorify Your name  
for You alone are God.

Lord Jesus, we give you thanks. You alone are  
worthy to be praised, for You alone are God.

## **Thanksgiving over the Water**

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

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.

## **The Baptism**

*Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water upon the candidate, saying*  
..., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*When this action has been completed, the Celebrant, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over the candidates, saying:*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

*Then the Celebrant places a hand on each child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying*

..., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

*The Celebrant says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## Lighting & Presentation of Baptism Candles

*Celebrant* God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

*People* **Shine as a light to the world to the glory of God the Father.**

## The Peace

Alleluia! Christ has been raised from the dead.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

We all exchange a sign of peace.

## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Sentence

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name.

### Offertory Anthem

*He is Risen!*

Cecil Cope

Words: Cecil Francis Alexander

He is risen, he is risen,  
Tell it with a cheerful voice:  
He hath burst his three day's prison,  
Let the whole wide earth rejoice!  
Death is conquered, we are free,  
Christ has won the victory.

Come ye sad and fearful hearted,  
With glad smile and radiant brow!  
Lent's long shadows have departed,  
All his woes are over now;  
And the passion that he bore,  
Sin and pain can vex no more.

Come with high and holy hymning,  
Chant our Lord's triumphant day;  
Not one darksome cloud is dimming  
Yonder glorious morning ray,  
Breaking o'er the purple east,  
Brighter for our Easter feast!

### The Agape Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You create the fruit of the vine and bring forth food from the earth; bless this wine, bread, and fruit that we now share in our homes and gather your Church in every place into the kingdom of your Son. To you be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be 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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where 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:

*Celebrant and People*

S.130

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human life, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night before he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your everlasting kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.*

*Silence*

*The Deacon prays for the sick and then leads the congregation in the Lord's Prayer.*

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

**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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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.

## **Communion Music**

*You are invited forward by the ushers to receive Communion; you can choose to receive wine from the chalice or take a small glass of red wine or white non-alcoholic wine which can be found today in both trays on the tables.*

During this time, organ music will be played. Towards the end of Communion, the choir will sing H. 178, Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

When everyone has received, the Celebrant will invite everyone to sing H.335, I am the bread of life, with the choir and congregation standing for the last verse.

1 I am the bread of life;  
they who come to me shall not hunger;  
they who believe in me shall not thirst.

No one can come to me  
unless the Father draw them.

*And I will raise them up,  
and I will raise them up on the  
last day.*

2 The Bread that I will give  
is my Flesh for the life of the world,  
and they who eat of this bread,  
they shall live for ever.

*Refrain*

3 Unless you eat  
of the Flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his Blood,  
you shall not have life within you.

*Refrain*

4 I am the resurrection,  
I am the life.  
They who believe in me,  
even if they die,  
they shall live for ever.

*Refrain*

5 Yes, Lord, we believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God  
who has come into the world.

*Refrain*

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*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**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 Announcements**

## The Blessing

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. Amen.

## Recessional Hymn

*Jesus Christ is risen today*

H.207 – See next page

## Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Postlude

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## Today's Ministers:

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. Michael Rusk	<b>Gospeller</b>	The Rev. Deacon Richard Cole
<b>Organist</b>	Romain Mayor	<b>Reader</b>	John Vanore
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Harriete Ndagire	<b>Ushers</b>	HunJu Sohn &
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Yunise Korir	<b>Welcomer</b>	Marie Dumas
		<b>Livestreamer</b>	Innocent Urassa

### Candidates for Holy Baptism

Samuel Ato Kwamena Otchere

Liyah Célestin

Edmond Louis Baldessin

**Prayer List:** This week, we are praying for Alice, Alphonse, Anne, Barbara Chong, Bob, Brad and Marietta, Erik, Eva, Griffiths, Julien, Ki-Soo, Kristina, Marguerite and Don, Mary, Mary and her family, Milki, Patricia, Philip, Rose, Rosemary and her family, Safi and his mother, Sohair, Terry, Tim, Yan and Jacqueline, and Zéli.

**In our Convocation Prayer Cycle,** this week, we pray for St Boniface, Organized Mission, Augsburg; the Rev. Lutz Ackermann, Vicar; the Rev. Frauke Ackermann, Assisting Priest. For St James the Less, Mission, Nuremberg and St Michael's Church, Mission, Thuringia; the Rev. Scott Moore, Vicar.

**The flowers today are generously given by Rosemary Odier and the Rector** with joy for friends and family and thanksgiving for the Risen Christ's presence among us at Emmanuel.

Descant

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ, our hea - ven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all ye hea - ven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

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