

# St. Margaret's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Resurrected World

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## The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024 ☩ 10:30 a.m.

## Welcome to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

St. Margaret's is a warm place to renew faith in God, care for one another, and thrive in a diverse, LGBTQIA-affirming, and inclusive community. Visitors, please fill out a CONNECT card hanging on the backs of the pews.

## In Person or Online, There's a Place for You Here

St. Margaret's worship services are livestreamed for our online congregation. By participating in this service, you acknowledge that you may be visible on live or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please see an usher to be reseated in a more private area.

## About Eastertide

Easter is entirely about hope and joy: that nothing separates us from the love of God—not even our sins, not even suffering, and not even death itself. Easter is a season, not simply a day. The Great Fifty Days of Easter are an extended celebration of the Crucified and Resurrected One, the Incarnate Word of God we know in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. Those of us who identify as followers of Christ are baptized into his death and into the hope of Resurrection. What this mystery really means is the most important question of our faith journey—especially as we explore it together in this holiest season of the year.

## About Today's Biblical Texts

The readings used today are taken from *A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church, Year B*, by biblical scholar and Episcopal priest, the Rev. Dr. Wilda Gafney. This completely new set of lectionary texts is built from the ground up and includes new gender-expansive translations of texts selected to tell the Good News through the stories of women who are often on the margins of scripture. Building upon St. Margaret's trailblazing history as a parish that celebrates the leadership of women in our Church, we began use of this new, three-year lectionary in Advent 2022. In so doing, we hope the lectionary invites women, men, and nonbinary people alike to engage the scriptures in new ways and in that engagement, to find themselves and their questions represented.

# Leading Worship Today

April 28, 2024

10:30 a.m.

<b>CELEBRANT</b> <i>The ordained minister leading the service</i>	The Diana Gustafson
<b>PREACHER</b> <i>The minister (lay or ordained) who leads a reflection on how the appointed Scripture speaks to us today</i>	The Rev. Richard Weinberg
<b>DEACON</b> <i>The ordained minister who reads the Gospel and sets the table for Eucharist</i>	The Rev. Francisco Serrano
<b>MUSIC MINISTER</b> <i>The person leading the music</i>	Timothy Duhr
<b>VERGER</b> <i>The lay leader who serves as a kind of holy stage manager, ensuring the worship service goes smoothly</i>	Tracy Lush
<b>CRUCIFER</b> <i>The lay leader who carries the processional cross</i>	Ron Lorentzen
<b>LECTORS</b> <i>The lay ministers who read the Bible lessons appointed for the day</i>	Ann Yonemura Gene Batiste
<b>INTERCESSOR</b> <i>The lay minister who leads the Prayers of Our Community</i>	Jenny Carson
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b> <i>Those who care for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens of the parish; prepare the sanctuary for services; and clean up afterward</i>	Lou Rollinson Melissa Mullins
<b>TECH TEAM</b> <i>The lay leader who assists in filming our service and creating a welcoming virtual space</i>	Amy Ruberl
<b>VESTRY REPRESENTATIVES</b> <i>The lay leaders who serve on the Vestry and make announcements during the service</i>	Ron Lorentzen Gene Batiste
<b>BREAD BAKER</b> <i>The lay person who prepares the bread, which we take, bless, break, and share in the Eucharist</i>	James Daniel
<b>CHALICISTS</b> <i>The ministers (lay or ordained) who serves the Communion wine</i>	Linda Heaney Ron Lorentzen
<b>USHERS</b> <i>Those greeting the congregation and directing the distribution of Communion</i>	Jenny Carson Farar Elliott

# We Gather in God's Name

Opening Voluntary

Adagio (from *Organ Sonata III*)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

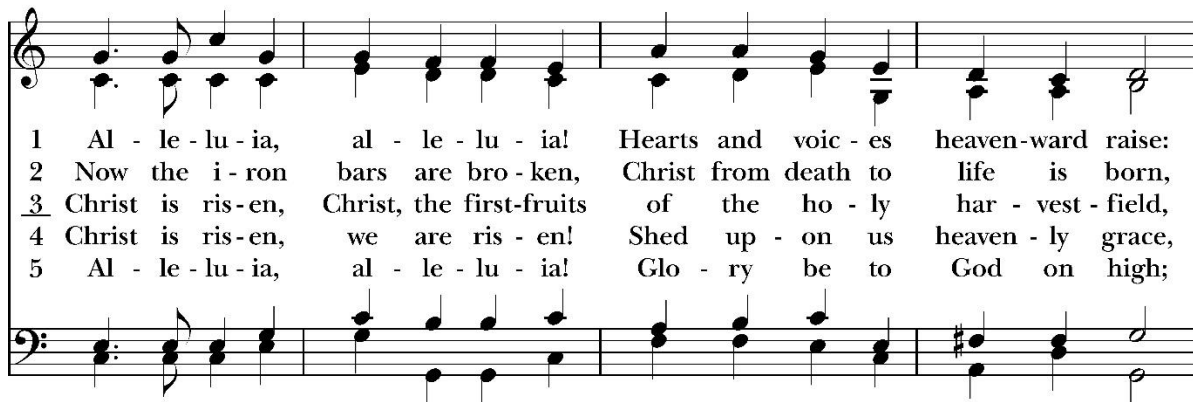
Welcome

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

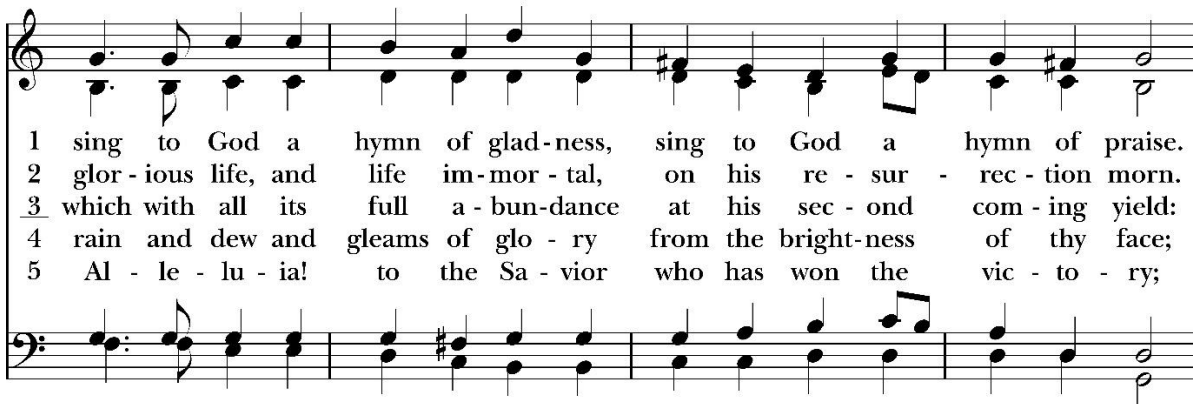
Hymn at the Procession

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Lux eoi*



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:  
2 Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,  
3 Christ is ris - en, Christ, the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest - field,  
4 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heaven - ly grace,  
5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;



1 sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.  
2 glor - ious life, and life im - mor - tal, on his re - sur - rec - tion morn.  
3 which with all its full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:  
4 rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright-ness of thy face;  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sa - vior who has won the vic - to - ry;



1 He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,  
 2 Christ has tri - umphed, and we con - quer by his might - y en - ter - prise:  
 3 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,  
 4 that, with hearts in hea - ven dwell - ing, we on earth may fruit - ful be,  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spi - rit, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty:

1 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.  
 2 we with him to life e - ter - nal by his re - sur - rec - tion rise.  
 3 ri - pened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.  
 4 and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with thee.  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt. Music: *Lux eoi*, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900).

## The Opening Acclamation

The People's responses are in **bold**.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## The Collect for Purity

The Collect (pronounced cah-lect) for Purity is a distinctively Anglican prayer for the start of worship and has been included in every Book of Common Prayer since its first publication in 1549. It is translated from an 11<sup>th</sup> century Latin prayer.

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 Savior. Amen.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

Mathias

Literally meaning, "Glory in the highest," this is a short hymn of praise to the Trinity. Its opening verse is based on the song of the angels to the shepherds at the time of Jesus' birth, as reported in Luke 2:14. It is known as the "Angelic Hymn." It is also known as the "Greater Doxology," distinguishing it from the Gloria Patri, the "Lesser Doxology." It dates from the fourth century, and was the canticle for the morning office in the Apostolic Constitutions. The Gloria in Excelsis is typically used in Episcopal parishes as part of the entrance rite during non-penitential seasons.



1. Glo-ry to God in the high - est and



peace to God's peo-ple on Earth. Lord God, heaven - ly One, al-



might - y God, cre - a - tor, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Child of our Mak - er, Lord God, Lamb of God,



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



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the High - est: re -



ceive our prayer.

For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God, E - ter - nal. A - men.

## The Collect of the Day

*The collect is the prayer appointed for each day that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.*

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

SAVING GOD, who allows us to face adversity yet restores us daily to new life: Give our eyes the clarity to see Jesus in our midst, our hearts the courage to proclaim your righteousness, and our lips the faith to affirm our salvation; in the name of One God who creates, saves, and sustains. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

### The First Lesson

Acts 8:1-12

*This reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, a book in the New Testament written by the same author as the Gospel of Luke. Acts tells a dramatic story of the birth and expansion of the church from the time of the ascension of Jesus until the arrival of Paul in Rome.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>1</sup>Now Saul approved of the mob killing Stephen. There began that day a great persecution in the church in Jerusalem, and everyone was scattered throughout the countryside of Judea and Samaria except the apostles. <sup>2</sup>Devout men buried Stephen and made loud lamentation over him. <sup>3</sup>And Saul

was ravaging the church one house at a time, dragging off both women and men, and he handed them over to prison.

<sup>4</sup>Now the women and men who were scattered traveled proclaiming the word. <sup>5</sup>Philip went down to a Samaritan city and preached the Messiah to them. <sup>6</sup>The crowds of women and men listened eagerly with one accord to what was said by Philip with hearing and seeing the signs that he did. <sup>7</sup>For many had unclean spirits crying out with loud voices; they came out of many, and many others who were paralyzed or lame were cured. <sup>8</sup>So there was great joy in that city.

<sup>9</sup>Now there was a man named Simon who had previously practiced magic in the city and amazed the people of Samaria; he said that he was someone great. <sup>10</sup>They all paid attention to him, from the least to the greatest, saying, "This man is the one known as the Great Power of God." <sup>11</sup>Now they paid attention to him because, for a long time, he had amazed them with his magic. <sup>12</sup>But when they believed Philip, who was proclaiming the good news about the realm of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both women and men.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 71:15-23

*In te, Domine, speravi*

*Tone VIII.3*

*The psalms are poems from the Old Testament (or Hebrew Scriptures). They cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.*

*The Cantor sings*

<sup>15</sup>My mouth will recount your righteousness,  
all day long your salvation,  
though I cannot know their counting.

<sup>16</sup>I come with the mighty deeds of the Sovereign God,  
I recall your righteousness, yours alone.

<sup>17</sup>God, you have taught me from my youth,  
and even now I yet proclaim your wonders.

<sup>18</sup>And yes, even to old age and gray hair;  
God, do not forsake me until I proclaim your might  
to the generation to come and your power.

<sup>19</sup>Your righteousness, God, is as the highest.  
You who have done great things, God, who is like you?

<sup>20</sup>You who have let me see many troubles and adversities  
will restore me, bringing me to life;  
from the depths of the earth  
you will restore me bringing up.

<sup>21</sup>You will magnify my greatness,  
and turn and comfort me.

<sup>22</sup>I, even I, will praise you with the harp  
for your faithfulness, my God;  
I will sing praise to you with the lyre,



Holy One of Israel.

<sup>23</sup>My lips will shout for joy as I sing praise to you;  
even my soul which you have redeemed.

## The Second Lesson

Romans 10:9–15

*This reading, taken from the New Testament, is from a letter (epistle) to the early Church.*

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

<sup>9</sup>Now then, if you confess with your lips, "Jesus is Sovereign," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes to righteousness, and with the mouth one confesses to salvation. <sup>11</sup>The scripture says, "No one who believes in that one will be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Sovereign is Sovereign of all and is richly generous to all who call on the Sovereign. <sup>13</sup>For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Sovereign shall be saved."

<sup>14</sup>How then are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without one who preaches? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach without being sent? As it is written: *How beautiful are the feet of those who proclaim the good news!*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus.”

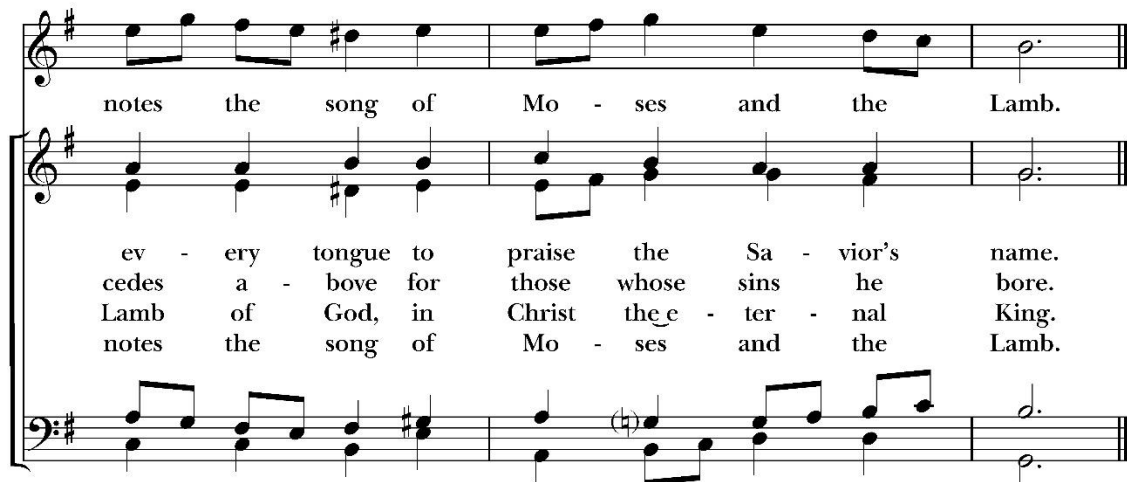
*Descant*

4 Soon shall each rap - tured tongue his

1 A - wake and sing the song of  
 2 Sing of his dy - ing love, his  
 3 You pil - grims on the road to  
 4 Soon shall each rap - tured tongue his

end - less praise pro - claim, and sing in sweet - er

Mo - ses and the Lamb; wake ev - ery heart and  
 re - sur - rec - tion power; sing how he in - ter -  
 Zi - on's ci - ty, sing, re - joic - ing in the  
 end - less praise pro - claim, and sing in sweet - er



notes the song of Mo - ses and the Lamb.  
 ev - ery tongue to praise the Sa - vior's name.  
 cedes a - bove for those whose sins he bore.  
 Lamb of God, in Christ the e - ter - nal King.  
 notes the song of Mo - ses and the Lamb.

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## The Gospel Lesson

John 4:24-29

*This reading is taken from one of the four gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Savior Jesus Christ. We stand as we are able for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.*

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

### **Glory to you, O Christ.**

<sup>24</sup>Jesus said to the woman at the well, "God is spirit, and those who worship God must worship in spirit and truth." <sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming, the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, "I AM, the one who is speaking to you."

<sup>27</sup>Now just then his disciples came and were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or "Why are you speaking with her?" <sup>28</sup>Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city and said to the people, <sup>29</sup>"Come and see a man who told me all I have ever done! Is this not the Messiah?"

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

### **Praise be to Christ, the Word.**

## The Sermon

The Rev. Richard Weinberg

*At the invitation of the preacher, please be seated. After the sermon, please stand in body or spirit.*

## The Affirmation of Faith

### A Celtic Creed

*This creed has been passed down from Iona Abbey on the Isle of Iona in Scotland. Founded by St. Columba in 563, since 1938 the Abbey has been cared for by the Iona Community, an international ecumenical order who continues the tradition of Iona Abbey as a place of worship.*

We believe in God above us,  
**maker and sustainer of all life,  
of sun and moon, of water and earth,  
of male and female, and in between.**

**We believe in God beside us,  
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,  
born of a woman, servant of the poor,  
tortured and nailed to a tree.  
A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.  
He descended into the earth to the place of death.  
On the third day he rose from the tomb.  
He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present,  
and his kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us,  
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,  
life-giving breath of the Church,  
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,  
source of resurrection and of eternal life.  
Amen.**

*Please kneel or sit.*

## The Prayers of Our Community

*The intercessor gives voice to the prayer requests submitted online by members of our community worshipping in person or on Zoom. To submit your own prayer request, please use the QR code in the back of this bulletin.*

Jesus Christ is risen today, our triumphant holy day. Alleluia! So let us pray to our Lord, saying, "Risen Christ, to you we give undying praise."

Heavenly One, for us you endured the cross and the grave. When we were yet sinners, you redeemed and saved us. May we sing your eternal praises everywhere we go.

*Silence*

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

Incarnate Love, where hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, call forth new life by your touch. Bring forth life in the barren places of your world.

*Silence*

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

Resurrected One, bring our neighbors from sadness into joy. Where they live in darkness, brighten their lives with a day of splendor and give to all that peace that passes human knowing.

*Silence*

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

Risen Christ, you have opened heaven's gate. You have freed us from the power of sin and death. Through your resurrection, you give us the promise of resurrection to a holier state. Bless the dying and the dead.

*Silence*

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

And continuing with prayers submitted by members of our community...

*Silence*

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

*The Celebrant adds this concluding collect*

Sun of Righteousness, so gloriously risen, shine in our hearts as we celebrate our redemption, that we may see your way to our eternal home, where you reign, one holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

*The People stand to share signs of peace with one another and then are seated.*

## **The Offertory**

*Having gathered, listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Eucharist. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.*

*Don't have cash for the collection plate? Text MAGGIE and your donation amount to [73256](tel:73256) to give to St. Margaret's using your text messaging (e.g., MAGGIE \$50). As a first-time giver, it will take you approximately 2 minutes to set up your payment method. Once your first text gift is processed, the payment method is saved for future gifts and allows for a faster and more convenient giving experience. Standard text message rates do apply.*

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

Text: Romans 5:15-16

## We Make Eucharist Together

### The Great Thanksgiving

The word Eucharist comes from the Greek for "thanksgiving." In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving—or Eucharistic Prayer—is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the *Sursum Corda*, meaning "Lift up your hearts" in Latin.

Please stand in body or spirit.

God is with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Holy One.**

Let us give thanks to the Most High our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Only Begotten, Jesus Christ our Savior; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### Sanctus & Benedictus

Mathias

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est Bless -ed is the One who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*We recall God's acts of salvation history. The celebrant says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of time. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.*

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."**

Therefore, according to his command, O God: **We remember Christ's death, we proclaim Christ's resurrection, we await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 Blessed Margaret and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in our own language,

**Our Father/Mother/Creator Padre nuestro... Vater unser... Ama namin... Baba Yetu...  
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 in silence.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## The Invitation

These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Please be seated.*

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

- *Please come forward as directed by the ushers and kneel (or stand in front of the kneelers, as you are able). Those who wish to have Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.*
- *The bread is freshly baked by a member of our community. Gluten-free wafers are also available; please make your need known to the minister.*
- *Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Respond to receiving the bread by saying, "Amen."*
- *To receive the wine, sip from the chalice, which will be guided gently to your lips by the minister. Please note that intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) is not permitted. Respond to receiving the wine by saying, "Amen."*
- *We all make a full communion and receive Christ's body and blood whether receiving in either or both the bread and wine.*
- *If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of communion, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.*

- *For members of our community who primarily worship online, we are happy to mail consecrated, gluten-free wafers for you to commune yourself. To make your request, please email Jane Quenk ([jquenk@aol.com](mailto:jquenk@aol.com)), chair of the Altar Guild.*

## The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*Those who are watching online and will not receive may wish to pray this prayer.*

My Jesus,  
 I believe that you are truly present  
 in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.  
 I love you above all things,  
 and long for you in my soul.  
 Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,  
 come spiritually into my heart.  
 Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace;  
 let me never be separated from you.  
 May I live in you, and you in me,  
 in this life and the life to come. Amen.

## Solo at the Communion

Behold the Lamb

arr. Andy Albritton

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
 Slain for us – and we remember  
 The promise made that all who come in faith  
 Find forgiveness at the cross.  
 So we share in this bread of life,  
 And we drink of His sacrifice  
 As a sign of our bonds of peace  
 Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
 Torn for you – eat and remember  
 The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
 Paid the price to make us one.  
 So we share in this bread of life,  
 And we drink of His sacrifice  
 As a sign of our bonds of love  
 Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
 Shed for you – drink and remember  
 He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
 To receive the life of God.  
 So we share in this bread of life,  
 And we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond, – and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King.

William Edwards, baritone

*A period of reverent silence may follow the music during The Communion. We invite you to pray in the quiet of your heart.*

*The People stand in body or spirit.*

### **Prayer after the Communion**

God of Life,  
**who for our redemption gave your only-begotten One  
to the death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
has delivered us from the power of our enemy:  
grant us so to die daily to sin,  
that we may evermore live with Christ in the joy of the risen life;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **Announcements**

*Clergy and lay leaders greet the congregation and invite people to connect with our parish community, learn about the faith, or to volunteer in service. Please see the weekly bulletin insert for more information.*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

### **The Blessing**

God the Creator, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Incarnate One, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Christ, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, Source of all Being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit, be with you all and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## We Go Forth in the Name of Christ

*As the celebration ends, we are charged to reach out beyond our own church to the world around us.*

Stanzas 1, & 3-5

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the  
 \*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that  
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -  
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:  
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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## The Dismissal

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

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Closing Voluntary

Allegro e maestoso (from *Organ Sonata II*)

Felix Mendelssohn

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## WORSHIP

- ✝ **Weekly Sunday Eucharist Service** at 10:30 a.m. Join us in person or online!
- ✝ **Weekly Virtual Sunday Compline Service** at 8:00 p.m. Join us via Zoom! Find the link at [stmargaretsdc.org/worship](http://stmargaretsdc.org/worship).
- ✝ **Seabury Celebration of Service:** Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., at Washington National Cathedral. Long-time St. Margaret's parishioner, Linda Heaney, has been selected for honor at this year's service. This is a joint celebration between Seabury Resources for Aging, the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, and the United Church of Christ Potomac Association. As part of the worship service, Linda will receive a certificate from the Bishop of Washington, The Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde, or the Conference Minister of the UCC Central Atlantic Conference, The Rev. Freeman Palmer.

## CONNECT

- ✝ **Pride Concert:** In the Nave on Thursday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m., featuring a new work by Eric Thomas and Buck McDaniel. Inspired by Benjamin Britten's eponymous work setting texts of Edith Sitwell, *The Heart of the Matter* is neither concert nor play, but a meditation on LGBTQIA+ Pride past, present, and future. The work pairs original texts narrated by Queer theological scholar Dr. Eric Thomas and music composed by Buck McDaniel in varying combinations of solo organ, offstage horn (Van Parker), and tenor (Matthew Jones). Along with scholar Dr. Carla Roland-Guzmán, Thomas and McDaniel previously collaborated on a 4-week festival of Queer experimental liturgies at The General Theological Seminary in New York City. McDaniel's other projects have included performances with Sam Smith on NBC's *Saturday Night Live*, Oliver Hermanus's film *The History of Sound*, and the nationally syndicated radio program *The Moth*.

St. Margaret's Faith in Action Committee is sponsoring the relocation of an LGBTQ+ refugee through Welcome Corps and Rainbow Railroad. While there is no admission charge for this concert, free will offering will be collected to offset costs related to the committee's endeavor.

- ✝ **Maggie's Cabaret Returns!** After a hiatus, we are excited to restart our popular Maggie's Cabaret series with a Friday, May 10 show by BroadwayWorld's Best Cabaret Solo Performance Artist in DC 2023, singer Susan Derry, with the wonderful Howard Breitbart as musical director and accompanist. Maggie's Cabaret is a fundraising event for St. Margaret's. With a suggested donation of \$20 attendees receive a beverage and nibbles as they prepare to enjoy an hour of high quality talent, using material from the Great American Songbook, Broadway, and other sources to deliver a memorable experience in the intimacy of our Parish Hall. No advance ticket sales; the doors open at 7:15 pm and the performance starts at 8:00. Bring a friend and enjoy a night out as we savor our spring weather!
- ✝ **Lunch in Our Neighborhood: 12:15 p.m., on May 5, at Thai Chef Street Kitchen, 1712 Connecticut Ave., NW.** Find the link to RSVP at [stmargaretsdc.org/connect](http://stmargaretsdc.org/connect). For more information, contact Daniel Sherman ([dss16a@acu.edu](mailto:dss16a@acu.edu)) or JD Mancini ([john.d.mancini622@gmail.com](mailto:john.d.mancini622@gmail.com)).
- ✝ **Pastoral Care.** If you or a loved one is in need of prayer or assistance, our clergy would love to provide pastoral care. Those who are sick, in the hospital, recovering from surgery, grieving, or dealing with an unexpected crisis or challenge may be visited by clergy or by trained members of the parish.

Sometimes telephone calls or virtual meetings are preferred. Please let us know by calling the Parish Office at 202-232-2995 or by emailing the Rector, the Rev. Richard Weinberg at [richard@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:richard@stmargaretsdc.org), or the Associate Rector, the Rev. Diana Gustafson at [diana@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:diana@stmargaretsdc.org) to request a visit, meeting, or phone call. Some parish volunteers are also licensed to take Communion to parishioners who are in the hospital or are homebound. Arrangements can be made by contacting clergy directly or through the church office. **If you're a member in an emergency or crisis**, or if you suspect the death of a loved one is near and wish to have a priest administer Last Rites, it is best to call the Rector directly on his mobile: 202-489-8727.

## LEARN

- ✚ **Undesign the Redline:** Free, public events held in connection with the Undesign the Redline exhibit will explore the racial history of upper Northwest DC and create opportunities for community-building and further discussion about how we can take action to repair the breach. Visit <https://www.undesigndc.org/projects> for more information. A limited number of hardcopies listing these programs are available in the rear of the Nave.
- ✚ **May Forum: What is Asian and Asian American Feminist Theology?** May 19, 12 noon - 1 :30 p.m. Anti-Asian racism in the US has grown since COVID-19. Join us in recognition of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month as Dr. Kwok Pui Lan explains how Asian and Asian American feminist theologians have responded to racism and other oppression and articulated a theology of solidarity, reconciliation, and hope. Dr. Kwok is the Dean's Professor of Systematic Theology at Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta. She is a past president of the American Academy of Religion and is the author of *The Anglican Tradition from a Postcolonial Perspective* and coeditor of *Anglican Women on Church and Mission*. We will gather at St. Margaret's to meet Professor Kwok on Zoom using the link from 10:30 worship. Email the Rev. Diana Gustafson at [Diana@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:Diana@stmargaretsdc.org) with questions.
- ✚ **St. Margaret's Is Hiring!** We are delighted to share that the Vestry has given the green light for the creation of an Audiovisual Technician role at St. Margaret's to support the work of our amazing Tech Team. This part-time position will oversee audio/visual production and live-streaming for our Sunday services and special events. If someone you know possesses the desired skills and is interested in joining our team, please invite them to send a cover letter and resume to the Parish Office ([office@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:office@stmargaretsdc.org)). Your support in spreading the word is greatly appreciated as we seek to enhance our worship experiences and community engagement.
- ✚ **On-the-Way Book & Bible Study:** Every other Monday at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Everyone is welcome but advance registration is required. Find the class on the website calendar to register at [www.stmargaretsdc.org/calendar](http://www.stmargaretsdc.org/calendar). The next meeting of On-the-Way will take place on May 20, when we will continue discussion of the book *The Physics of Angels: Exploring the Realm Where Science and Spirit Meet* by Matthew Fox and Rupert Sheldrake.
- ✚ **Charlie's Place Bible Study and Prayer Group:** Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. You are invited to join this weekly gathering where individuals of diverse backgrounds and lived experiences come together to study God's word and experience the power of prayer in community. For details email Reggie Cox at [rcox@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:rcox@stmargaretsdc.org).

## SERVE

- ✝ **The Welcoming Committee** is seeking volunteers to greet worshipers at the Welcome Table located near the church's front door before church. This would require arriving at church about 10:10, setting up the table, and welcoming folks as they enter. Become an important part of our welcoming congregation! Please email Jenny Carson ([jcarson@mica.edu](mailto:jcarson@mica.edu)) or Tim Green ([tg465@georgetown.edu](mailto:tg465@georgetown.edu)) if you are interested.
- ✝ **Prayer Shawls and Baptismal Blankets:** We are excited to announce a new knitting ministry at St. Margaret's. Everyone is invited to participate in St. Margaret's Prayer Shawl Ministry by making a shawl, lap robe, baby blanket, or baptism stroller blanket. If you know someone who is recently ill or would like a prayer shawl that is blessed by one of our clergy, please let us know. To donate a handmade item or recommend a recipient, please contact the Rev. Diana V. Gustafson at [diana@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:diana@stmargaretsdc.org). Contact Kathleen Scholl at [KKScholl@aol.com](mailto:KKScholl@aol.com) with any questions regarding the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Find more information at [stmargaretsdc.org/volunteer](http://stmargaretsdc.org/volunteer).
- ✝ **Calling All Vocalists!** Do you like to sing? The St. Margaret's Choir is looking for you. The Choir sings a range of styles of choral music, both traditional and contemporary. Although sightreading skills are not necessary, some choral experience is desirable, as well as the ability to match pitch and read music. To indicate your interest, email Tim Duhr at [tduhr@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:tduhr@stmargaretsdc.org).
- ✝ **Worship Volunteers:** The richness of our worship together depends upon all of us playing a role, as called and as possible. We have serving opportunities for every personality, skill set, season, and schedule. Volunteers serve by welcoming visitors, tending the altar, reading during the service, supporting the clergy, or working on our Tech Team. If you are looking for ways to connect with parish members and to share your gifts with the community, please email [office@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:office@stmargaretsdc.org).
- ✝ **Mustard Seed Charlie's Place Street Outreach:** Join our deacon, the Rev. Francisco Serrano, for weekly street outreach to our neighbors experiencing homelessness in Dupont Circle. Volunteers will meet at St. Margaret's and then bring beverages, snacks, and other gestures of love to Dupont Circle to deepen relationships with our community. Questions? Email Francisco at [serranofrancisco388@gmail.com](mailto:serranofrancisco388@gmail.com). To help fund this ministry, please give to the Rector's Discretionary Fund by check or online at [stmargaretsdc.org/give](http://stmargaretsdc.org/give). Be sure to select "Rector's Discretionary Fund" in the dropdown menu.

## GIVE

- ✝ **Donate to our "Loving our Neighbors through Medical Debt Relief" Campaign.** Medical debt affects many and is particularly problematic for people of color and vulnerable populations. Working with Undue Medical Debt (formerly RIP Medical Debt), St. M's is seeking to raise at least \$10,000, to eliminate \$1 million or more in medical debt for our neighbors in DC, Montgomery County and Prince George's County. Up to \$2500 in total donations will be matched through May 21! To donate, please scan the QR Code or visit: <https://www.unduemedicaldebt.org/campaign/st-margarets-episcopal-church-of-washington-dc-campaign/> Thank you!



✦ **Opportunity for parishioners to order Altar flowers in honor of birthdays, anniversaries, or as a memorial.** The Flower Guild has been hearing from parishioners that the Altar flowers on Easter, St. Margaret's Day and Christmas Eve are greatly appreciated. Some have expressed interest in having Altar flowers more often. The Flower Guild plans to order flowers for additional holiday Sundays such as Pentecost and All Saints Day, when the Flower Fund has a sufficient balance.

The Flower Guild has also developed a plan to increase the opportunity for parishioners of the Church to order flowers for the Church services for additional Sundays, especially for dates such as family birthdays, anniversaries, or memorial dates significant to you, except during Lent.

The process to order flowers will be to send an email to both John Payne ([jpaynecp@gmail.com](mailto:jpaynecp@gmail.com)) and Timothy Duhr ([tduhr@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:tduhr@stmargaretsdc.org)) at least three weeks before the Sunday for which you wish to provide for flowers. At the same time, either make the designated contribution on Realm or send a check to the church office specifying that it is for Altar flowers. In your email be sure to include any statement of honor or memorial for the Church bulletin, and any desired flower colors or flower preferences. Please understand that although the florist will try to match your flower preferences that they will substitute if necessary.

We have an agreement with the Tastaca family that they will deliver Altar flowers to the church for \$150 for an arrangement for the Main Altar or for \$275 for flowers for both the Main Altar and the Altar behind the Choir. The Tastaca family is a Bolivian family (father, mother, son and daughter) that owns and operates Super Value Flowers in Langley Park, MD. They have been providing the flowers for St. Margaret's major holidays for several years after consistently under-bidding other minority-owned florists, while providing excellent floral displays for the Church.

✦ **Pantry Wish List for Charlie's Place:** Charlie's Place needs the following pantry items: canned vegetables, canned fruit, breakfast cereal, peanut butter, jelly, ketchup, mayonnaise, maple syrup, soup, canned tuna, snack bars, noodles, seasonings, and pancake mix. **Ceramic coffee mugs are also needed.** Deliver from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Email Reggie Cox with questions at [rcox@stmargaretsdc.org](mailto:rcox@stmargaretsdc.org).

✦ **1894 Society:** St. Margaret's 1894 Society recognizes those who have graciously named our beloved parish as the beneficiary of a planned gift. These donors' lasting and thoughtful contributions will help ensure St. Margaret's can fulfill her mission as a warm place to renew faith in God, care for one another, and help build a diverse, LGBTQIA-affirming, and inclusive community. To learn more about planned giving, making a long-term and special financial commitment to the church, and joining the 1894 Society, please talk to our Rector. The 1894 Society brochure and Intended Giving Card can be found at [stmargaretsdc.org/give](http://stmargaretsdc.org/give).

✦ **Donate:** If you would like to make a donation to St. Margaret's, visit [stmargaretsdc.org/give](http://stmargaretsdc.org/give), text MAGGIE and your donation amount to [73256](tel:73256), or mail a check to the Parish Office.



## Prayer Requests

Scan the QR code below to submit your prayer requests so that the intercessor may read them aloud during today's service.



## St. Margaret's Leadership

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