

SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



EASTER DAY

SOLEMN MASS WITH PROCESSION

or visiting today, please know that we are so glad that you are new and that you are welcome in this community of faith. S. Stephen's is an Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Rhode Island and is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Located in the midst of Brown University, it serves the communities of Providence and beyond. S. Stephen's has stood within the Anglo-Catholic tradition since its founding, and so the Mass or the Eucharist is at the center of our common life, with ancient and timeless ceremonial used to draw attention to the Living God in our very midst. We strive to be a diverse community and come from many various backgrounds, while united in One Body through our Lord Jesus Christ.

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Saraband for the Morning of Easter

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 541

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Adagio, from Symphonie V

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Mass Setting: Missa Brevis in D, K. 194 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

¶ Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

AT THE PROCESSION

Deacon Let us go forth in peace.

People In the Name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN 175 ¶ Stanzas 1-5

SALVE FESTA DIES

STATION AT THE FONT

7. This is the day the Lord hath made, alleluia.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it, alleluia.

Let us pray.

God, who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection hast delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

HYMN 175 ¶ Stanzas 6-8

SALVE FESTA DIES

INTROIT Resurrexi

TONE VII

I am risen, and am still with thee, alleluia; thou hast laid thine hand upon me, alleluia: thy knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me: thou knowest my downsitting, and mine uprising. Glory be &c. I am risen &c.

OPENING ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu-ia. Christ is ris-en. The Lord is risen indeed. Al-le-lu-ia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON Jung by the choir.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ¶ Sung by the choir.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater Omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe; Dominus Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus; tu solus Dominus; tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum sancto Spiritu, ♣ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high \blacksquare in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death and opened unto 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 thy life-giving Spirit; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 10:34, 37-43

Peter opened his mouth and said: "You know the word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses to all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and made him manifest; not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that he is the one ordained by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that every one who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:14-17, 22-24 Confitemini Domino

Alan Gray (1902–1973)

The LORD is my strength, and my song: and is become my salvation. The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD bringeth mighty things to pass.

The right hand of the LORD hath the pre-eminence:

the right hand of the LORD bringeth mighty things to pass.

I shall not die, but live,:

and declare the works of the LORD.

The same stone which the builders refused,:

is become the head-stone in the corner.

This is the LORD'S doing,

and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the LORD hath made; : we will rejoice and be glad in it.

THE EPISTLE Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Intoned by the cantor, then sung by all



V. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

¶ The choir then sings

SEQUENCE Victima paschali laudes

MODE I

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer your thankful praises. A Lamb the sheep redeemeth: Christ, who only is sinless, reconcileth sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: The Prince of Life, who died, reigns immortal. Speak, Mary, declaring what thou sawest wayfaring? "The Tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus' resurrection: Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting. Yea, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you." Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:1-10

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

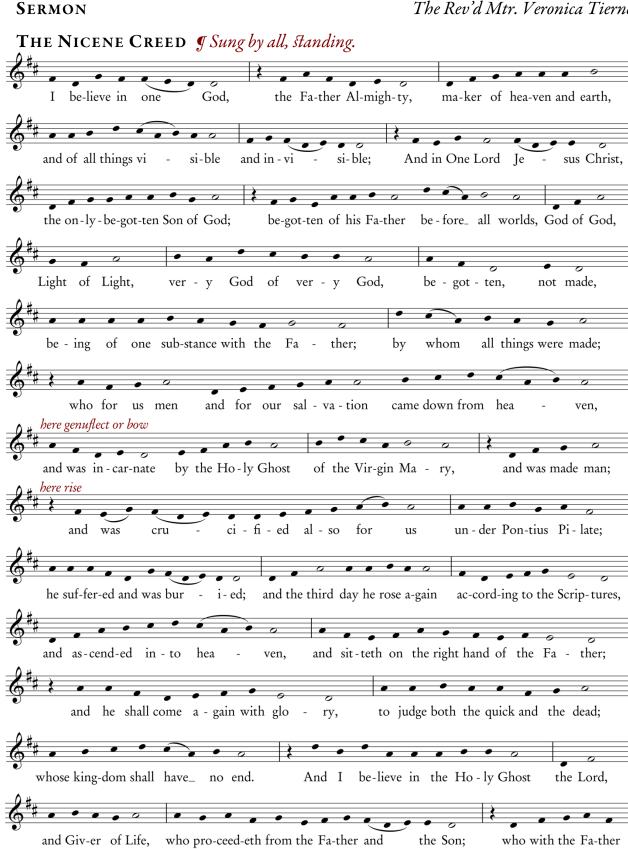
Deacon The Holy Gospel № of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

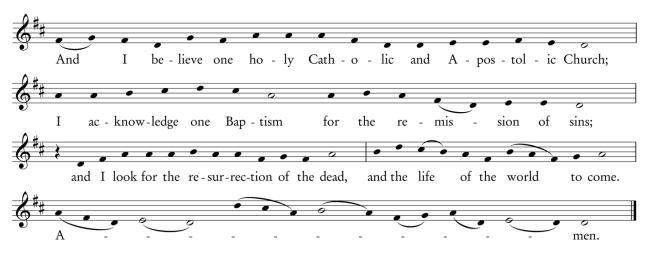
Jesus from Galilee went to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Mag'dalene and Jo-an'na and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.



and the Son to-geth-er is wor-ship-ped and glo-ri-fi - ed; who spake by the Pro -



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

¶ The Deacon bids the people to prayer, saying

In joy and hope let us pray to the Lord.

That our risen Savior may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection, we pray to the Lord.

[™] Lord, hear our prayer.

That God may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, we pray to the Lord.

🏋 Lord, hear our prayer.

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them, we pray to the Lord.

🏋 Lord, hear our prayer.

That, according to his promises, all who have died № in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day, we pray to the Lord.

🏋 Lord, hear our prayer.

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection,

🏋 Lord, hear our prayer.

¶ Celebrant

God, the living God, who has given unto us a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead: Grant that we, being risen with him, may seek the things which are above, and be made partakers of the life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

¶ The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of scripture after which the people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

¶ At the Offertory, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give. To make an electronic gift today, please either visit sstephens.org/give or scan the QR code below.



OFFERTORY ANTIPHON Terra tremuit

TONE II

The earth trembled and was still: when God arose to judgement, alleluia.

AT THE OFFERTORY

Edward Cuthbert Bairstow (1874–1946)

Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously. Pharoah's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea. Mighty victim from the sky, Hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light. Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall, thou hast opened Paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise. Alleluia, Amen.

¶ All stand for the hymn as the offering is brought forward and the gifts, altar, & people are censed.

HYMN 210 ELLACOMBE

ORATE, FRATRES

Celebrant Pray, brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, to glorify thee, O Father, and to give thanks unto thee, for thou alone art God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before all time and for ever.

Fountain of life and Source of all goodness, thou hast made all things and didst fill them with thy blessing, creating them to rejoice in the splendor of thy radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before thee to serve thee night and day; and, beholding the glory of thy presence, they offer thee unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we praise thee, and glorify thy Name, saying,

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS ¶ Sung by the choir.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Domine Deus Sabaoth: Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus ♥ qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed * is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER ¶ All kneel.

E ACCLAIM THEE, HOLY LORD, glorious in power, whose mighty works reveal thy wisdom and love. Thou hast formed us in thine own image, giving the whole world into our care, that in obedience unto thee, our Maker, we might rule and serve all thy creatures. When our disobedience took us far from thee, thou didst not abandon us to the power of death, but in thy mercy thou didst come to our help, that in seeking thee we might find thee. Again and again thou didst call us into covenant with thee, and through the prophets thou didst teach us to hope for salvation.

Thou didst so love the world, O Father, that in the fullness of time thou didst send thine only-begotten Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. That thy purpose might be fulfilled, he gave himself up unto death; and rising from the grave he destroyed death and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, bringing to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by thee, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: At supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks unto thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this:

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, for the remembrance of me. "

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And now, O Father, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to thy right hand, awaiting his coming in glory, and offering unto thee, from the gifts which thou hast given us, this bread and this cup, we praise thee and we bless thee.

¶ Celebrant and People

We praise thee, we bless thee we give thanks to thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

We beseech thee, O Lord, that in thy goodness and mercy thy Holy Spirit may descend upon us and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and revealing them as holy gifts for thy holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of thy Name. Remember, O Lord, thy one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the Blood of thy Christ. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with blessed Stephen our patron, and with all the saints who have found favor with thee in ages past. We praise thee in union with them and give thee glory through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ all honor and glory be unto thee, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. **AMEN.**

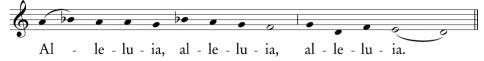
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



THE BREAKING OF BREAD

¶ Intoned by the Celebrant and repeated by all.



Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE INVITATION: ECCE AGNUS DEI

Celebrant Behold № the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please come forward to the altar rail and then return to your pew via the passageway on the right. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

AGNUS DEI ¶ Sung by the choir.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Dona nobis pacem. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Pascha nostrum

MODE VI

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, alleluia: therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

AT THE COMMUNION

Surrexit Christus hodie. Alleluia! Humano pro solamine. Alleluia! In hoc Panchali gaudio. Alleluia! Benedicamus Domino. Alleluia! Mortem qui passus pridie. Alleuia! Miserrimo pro homine. Alleuia! Laudetur sancta Trinitas. Alleluia! Deo dicamus gratias. Alleluia!

HYMN 174 ¶ Sung by all.

Samuel Scheidt (1587–1654)

isen today Alleluia! For the

Christ is risen today Alleluia! For the comfort of all people. Alleluia! Rejoice in this Easter Day. Alleluia! Let us give thanks to God. Alleluia! He suffered death the day before. Alleluia! He suffered for us all. Alleluia! Praise the Holy Trinity. Alleluia! Give thanks to God. Alleluia!

SALZBURG

THE CLOSING RITE

¶ All kneel.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy Spirit.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, ★ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

¶ Please stand.

DISMISSAL

Deacon

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.





HYMN 207 ¶ Sung by all.

EASTER HYMN

VOLUNTARY

Toccata, from Symphonie V

Charles-Marie Widor

¶ A reception follows Mass in the Guild House. All are welcome.

¶ A contribution to the music of the Mass today has been made by a parishioner to the Glory of God and in loving memory of his wife, Sheila Ann McNeill.

EASTER FLOWERS

have been given to the greater glory of Almighty God by

Deborah Abel & Mark Barr in memory of Elaine Abel, Ina Abel, John Abel, Robert Abel, Dr. T. Carey Barr, Elynore Barr, Melissa Wei-Tsing Inouye, Dennis Johnson, Ina Faye Johnson, Christy Parry, David Yalovich, John Yalovich, and Phyllis Yalovich

Rollin & Sandra Bartlett *in memory of* George & Sylvia Bartlett, Joseph & Dorothy Farwell

Tom & Cathy Bledsoe in memory of Jo Cowperthwaite, William Justice Cowperthwaite, Shirley Bledsoe, and Truman C. Bledsoe III

Betsy Dake in memory of Ann Dake

Becket DeShaw in memory of Zeno & Mark Traucchi

Greg & Jen Depardo in memory of the S. Stephen's Faithful Departed

Kimberly Edwards

Peter Gibson in memory of Fred H. & Clair P. Gibson, and Earle M. & Mildred M. Richard

Katy Gilchrist

The Gingrich & Anderson Family in memory of Ty Gingrich

Gregory Goins in memory of Phyllis Newman & Jack Goins

Paul Greene & Les Christoffer

Tayo Heuser

Leana Hooks & Family in memory of Edward Hooks

Muriel Jobbers in memory of Florence T. & Armando L. Bustamante

Ruth Oliver Jolliffe in memory of Ruth and Andrew Oliver and Michael Jolliffe

Fr. Locke in memory of Albert & Ruth Hierman, Elliot Cooke, Clarence & Joan Locke, and Ruth Vogel

Gerard F. Plasse in memory of Gerard & Evelyn Plasse and Juliette Pichette

Barbara Pyle in loving memory of Norman Pyle, Mary Pyle, and Nicholas Dean Nadalin

Brad Ripley & Family *in memory of* Katherine Ripley, Elihor & Everett Ripley, Hollis Farnum, Dottie Farnum, Edith Farnum, Pat & Heinz Falenski, Hugh McNamar, Alfred & Margret Shaw, Mary & Robert Easton, and Alison Tierney

George D. Ryan in memory of Marran S. Ryan

Graham & Sara Schultz *in thanksgiving for* the S. Stephen's Schola Cantorum and *in memory of* Denise Rae Ramsfield, Eric Wade Snowden, and Joshua Michael Snowden

Julia Steiny *in memory of* Conrad Johnson, Nancy & Homer Steiny, Florence Thorp, Florence Olerich, and Maybell Olerich Steiny



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