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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD SUNDAY, APRIL 4th, 2021

CHORAL MATINS: 11:00 A.M.

Theme: Christ's resurrection is the seal of God on the authenticity of our faith."

The Resurrection of our Lord: Easter Day YEAR B

11:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins with Communion

President: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 7) Directive, 2021

The following protocols will be enforced: No more than (75) persons shall be present for the conduct or streaming of religious services; Temperature Checks upon arrival; Wearing of Masks, Designated Seating; the Use of an Offering Box; Physical Distancing - Six (6) feet apart; No physical exchange of the Greeting of Peace; Sanitization of Hands before entering the Cathedral and before Communion.

Organ Prelude

All stand as the Cathedral Choir & Clergy enter the Cathedral

Opening Hymn ~ 171

Good Christian men, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of Life is risen for ay! bring flowers of song to strew his way; let all mankind rejoice and say: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory hat Love, that Life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Words: Cyril Argentine Alington (1872-1955)

Versicles and Responses

- V. O Lord open thou our lips.
- R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

- V. O God make speed to save us.
- R. O Lord make haste to help us.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.
- V. Praise ye the Lord.
- R. The Lord's Name be praised.

Easter Anthem ~ "Christ our Passover"

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast;

Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin: alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ is risen from the dead; and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end Amen.

Psalm 118:1-2,14-24

- 1. O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: because his mercy endureth for ever.
- 2. Let Israel now confess that he is gracious: and that his mercy endureth for ever.
- 14. The Lord is my strength, and my song: and is become my salvation.
- 15. The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.
- 16. The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.
- 17.I shall not die, but live: and declare the works of the Lord.
- 18. The Lord hath chastened and corrected me: but he hath not given me over unto death.
- 19. Open me the gates of righteousness: that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

- 20. This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter into it.
- 21.I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me: and art become my salvation.
- 22. The same stone which the builders refused: is become the head-stone in the corner.
- 23. This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24. This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:

and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen

All sit

The First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Lector: Mr. Darwin Clarke

All stand for the singing of the Te Deum Laudamus

Te Deum Laudamus

We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting. To Thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens and all the powers therein.

To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy Glory. The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee. The godly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee.

The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee;

The Father of an infinite Majesty;

Thine honourable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man: Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.

We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Thy people: and bless Thine heritage.

Govern them and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify Thee; and we worship Thy Name, ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in Thee.

O Lord, in Thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end Amen.

All sit

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Lector: Mr. Darwin Clarke

All stand

Jubilate Deo

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:

serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:

it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise:

be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen**

V. The Lord be with you

R. And with thy spirit

All kneel

- V. Let us pray
- R. Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name; your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

- V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
- R. And grant us thy salvation.
- V. O Lord, save the Queen.
- R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
- V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
- R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
- V. O Lord, save thy people
- R. And bless thine inheritance.
- V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
- R. Because there is none that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
- V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
- R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect, Easter Day

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection 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 Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Second Collect, for Peace.

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Third Collect, for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who has safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- V. Let us bless the Lord.
- R. Thanks be to God
- V. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.
- R. Amen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn ~ 180

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God;
from death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our God hath brought us over
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection-light; and, listening to his accents, may hear so calm and plain his own 'All hail,' and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful, and earth her song begin, the round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein; let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend, for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

Words: John of Damascus (c696-c754)from translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

THE SERMON: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Offertory Hymn ~ 175

Jesus lives! Thy terrors now can no more, O death, appal us; Jesus lives! By this we know Thou, O grave, canst not enthral us.

Alleluia!

Jesus lives! Henceforth is death but the gate of life immortal: this shall calm our trembling breath, when we pass its gloomy portal.

Alleluia!

Jesus lives! For us he died; then, alone to Jesus living, pure in heart may we abide, glory to our Saviour giving. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! Our hearts know well naught from us our love shall sever; life nor death nor powers of hell tear us from his keeping ever.

Alleluia!

Jesus lives! To him the throne over all the world is given: may we go where he is gone, rest and reign with him in heaven.

Alleluia!

Words: Christian Füchtegott Gellert (1715-1769), from Jesus lebt, mit ihm auch ich, German; translation: Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), with others

Holy Communion is administered from Reserved Sacrament

Closing Hymn ~ 172

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

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

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

Words: Lyra Davidica, London, 1708 Supplement, 1816

Closing Prayers and Blessing

Please stand as the choir and clergy depart.

Organ Postlude

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: During the period of lockdown, members were unable to make their regular financial contributions to the church in the usual manner. However, several persons made use of the options which were provided, and we are grateful for their contributions. For the convenience of all, online payments may be made to St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606.

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today Sunday, April 4th, 2021 Resurrection of the Lord: Easter Day

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

11:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins with Communion 6:00 P.M. ~ UpLift Concert by The Nicholas Brancker

Band and Guest Artists.

https://youtube.com/channel/UCjkSSEBdpVjDVEeFGNtC VmA



Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Next Sunday, April 11th, 2021 The Second Sunday of Easter 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



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THE BISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER EASTER 2021 (To be shared in all Churches on Easter Day, 4th April, 2021)

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

This Sunday, as we observe the Queen of all Feasts that commemorates our Lord's resurrection, commonly called Easter Sunday, I greet you in the wonderful name of our Risen Lord and trust that you are in a good place physically, emotionally, and spiritually - in spite of an unusual year since last Easter. Today is the most joyous feast day for us as Christians as we celebrate Christ's victory over death and the good news that we too, like Him, will experience such victory and share a place in God's eternal kingdom. So, it is a day to rejoice; a day to be thankful; a day to once again sing our loud Alleluias! It is a day to appreciate the blessings God has given us. Even in these times, whether we are able to join with our Church Family for in-person worship or with our families at home for virtual worship, we can still be joyful. Whether we are permitted to entertain the extended family in our homes for fellowship and an Easter spread or restrained to that of simply having a meal with our household because of the pandemic, we can still be thankful. Irrespective of our current situation, we are called on such a day and season like Easter not to allow anything or anyone to steal our joy of celebrating the love and intervening power of God so fully revealed through the act of raising His Son, Jesus Christ on that first Easter morn. On that day, He demonstrated that He is our God who forever loves us and has the power to raise us out of any tomb, out of any gloomy circumstance, so that we may experience life and joy once again as His children. That is the message, the hope, the promise of Easter; and we are to ever hold fast to that good news notwithstanding the signs of the times and circumstances in which now live. That good news of Easter, reminds us that God works all things for good to those who love Him and live according to His purpose. It reinforces within our hearts, minds, and souls that no matter what humanity, the world or the devil may throw our way to cause us to fail, God is able and willing to intervene and transform any situation, to use it for a greater good, and to bring about a newness of life. The good news of Easter is that in spite of the challenges we face, we can overcome them with God's help. The good news of Easter is that good will ultimately triumph over evil, life will conquer death, selflessness will win over selfishness, love will overcome hatred, kindness will outweigh greed, and joy will take the place of sorrow. The resurrection of Jesus at Easter gives us that hope; not the hope of wishful thinking or our desire or longing for something which we are not sure will ever happen or be accomplished in the future but the sure and certain hope that God will never ever let us down but will inevitably make right what is wrong in our lives and in our world. The resurrection of Jesus gives us the hope of which Peter speaks, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you..." (1 Peter 1:3-4). It is a hope that is promised, and which is based on an event that has already taken place. It is a hope that is based on the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thus, the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus is a reminder that ultimately everything is going to be alright. Regardless of whatever we may go through in this life - whether it is illness, the loss of a loved one or a job, the failure of a relationship or a bad decision we have made, the inability to financially support our families at present – whatever it is, remember that God is ever present in our lives and He is even now making a way. He is available and always willing to guide us and to bring us through times of suffering when we are experiencing the "valley" moments in our lives to the "mountain tops" of life again. He is there to strengthen us to climb every mountain, and take us through all the changing and challenging scenes of life. We have the good news that He will never leave us nor let us down; but rather, He will raise us up to experience a newness of life, a new and different life. This new life to which God desires to raise and empower us is experienced only through the gift and presence of His Holy Spirit in our lives. He wants to raise and enable us to be always resilient, to always stand strong - fervent in our faith, enthusiastic in our lives, and committed in our relationships with Him and each other. At the same time, God wishes us to bounce forward, as His people, as witnesses of His presence in our lives, especially when we face the trials and changes in life that will inevitably come our way within this broken and sinful

world. His desire is for us, as the resilient people He has called us to be, to live victoriously, love deeply and laugh cheerfully come what may; and to set that example of wholesome living for others to emulate. By living faithfully, people will see the love and joy of Jesus in us and desire such a life for themselves. As we today celebrate the foundation of our faith in our God who has the power to save, raise and bring newness of life, as fully revealed through His mighty act of raising our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, let us hold fast to that faith and know that He will continue to raise us to new life - a more faithful. wholesome, and spiritual life, so that we may live life and live it more abundantly. I wish to thank you again for your love, prayers, words of condolence and support for my family and me as we grieve the death of my beloved wife, Dawn. It is because of your expressions of love in varying ways, and the grace and mercy of God, that we have been upheld through this time of bereavement. We ask that you continue to remember us in your thoughts and prayers, as I will continue to pray for you and your families. I wish you a blessed and joyous Easter.

Your friend and bishop,

+Michael Barbados.

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