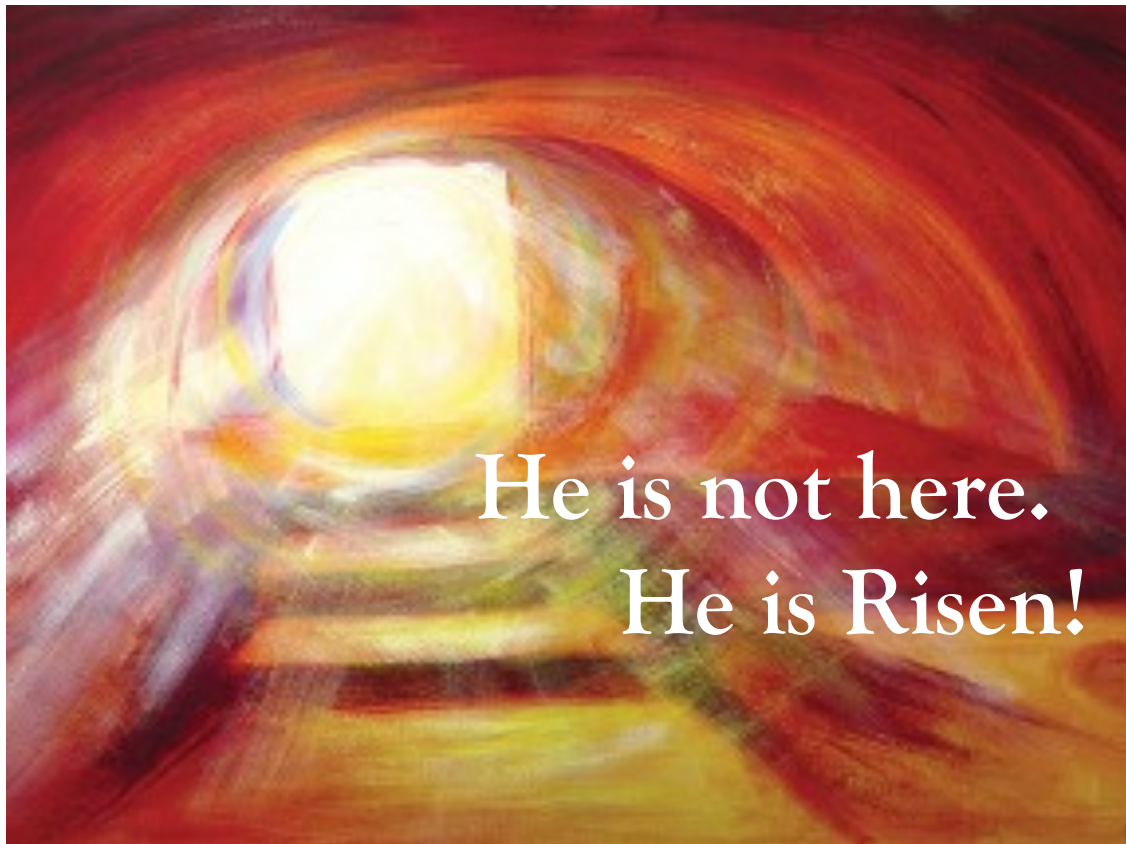


ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

EASTER DAY

The Feast of the Resurrection



10:30AM IN THE CHURCH

APRIL 17, 2022



Welcoming all in community;

*Joyfully doing God's work
in the world.*

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ST. MATTHEW'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church sits on the traditional homelands of the people of the Council of Three Fires: the Ojibwe, Potawatomi, and Odawa nations. This land was also a place of travel and trade to many other tribes, including the Menominee, Ho-Chunk, and Miami tribes. These Native Peoples were forced off their lands with the Second Treaty of Prairie du Chien in 1829. After a series of land transfers, St. Matthew's acquired its current site within this territory in 1906. Today, Cook County is home to tens of thousands of Native Americans from many tribes. We acknowledge and respect our Indigenous neighbors, as we strive to be good stewards of this Native land.

COVID GUIDELINES

As of April 1, our Covid protocols have eased. Please be attentive to the following:

- Vaccines are recommended when gathering with others.
- Please continue to mask to when in the building with others, especially during worship.
- Follow communion guidelines as given.
- Follow any additional instructions given by the Rector or those designated (ushers).
- If following these guidelines is difficult or uncomfortable for you, please join us from home using the livestream link at www.stmatthewsevanston.org.

Thank you for recognizing our need to continue to protect each other.

Upcoming at St. Matthew's

April 17	8:00am	Easter Morning: Spoken Holy Eucharist (in person only)
	10:30am	Easter Morning: Festal Holy Eucharist with Choir (in person and livestreamed)
April 18	7:00pm	Vestry
April 19	7:30pm	Anti-Racism Team (Zoom)
April 20	7:30am	Lectio Divina with Charlie (Zoom)
	6:30pm	Eastertide Book Group: <i>The Church Cracked Open</i> (1 of 3)
April 21	7:30m	Choir Rehearsal
April 24	8:00am	The Second Sunday of Easter: Spoken Eucharist (in person only)
	8:15am	Sunday Bible Study (Zoom)
	10:30am	The Second Sunday of Easter: Holy Eucharist with Choir (in person and livestreamed)
April 26	7:00pm	RefugeeOne Cosponsorship All-Team Meeting (Zoom)
April 27	7:30am	Lectio Divina with Charlie (Zoom)
April 28	10:30am	St. Matthew's participates in the YWCA's Stand Against Racism, Ridge Avenue, Evanston
May 1	8:00am	The Third Sunday of Easter: Spoken Holy Eucharist (in person only)
	8:15am	Sunday Morning Bible Study (Zoom)
	10:30am	The Third Sunday of Easter: Holy Eucharist with Choir <i>Special Music Sunday</i> : Old Time Religion (in person and livestreamed)

WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith,
you are welcome at God's table to receive the bread made holy.

THE PRELUDE

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE OPENING HYMN 199 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

1 Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ hath burst his pri - son,
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,
4 Nei - ther might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,

God hath brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness:
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris - en;
with the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren - der;
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold thee as a mor - tal:

loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,
all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing
comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion
but to - day a - midst thine own thou didst stand, be - stow - ing



THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider 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 Lord.

People **Amen.**

The people may sit.

THE GLORIA

Missa Festiva

John Leavitt

Glory to God in the highest
and peace on earth to all men of good will
we praise you, we bless you
we adore you, we glorify you
we thank you, for your great glory
Lord God, king of the heavens
God almighty Father
Lord, begotten son, Jesus Christ
Lord God, lamb of God,
son of the father
take all sins from the world,
have mercy on us

take all sins from the world,
receive our invocation
you who are seated
at the right of the father,
have mercy on us
because only you are Holy,
only you are Lord,
only you are Highest
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father,
Amen.

The people stand.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray, saying together

People **God unlimited**

by mortal fear

or tomb's cold grip:

in the lingering dark

give us grace to know

your life triumphant

your love undimmed

in the face of Jesus Christ,

the firstborn of the dead.

Amen.

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (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."

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM ANTHEM

Alleluia

Fredrick Sixten

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (15:19-26).

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 188 Love's redeeming work is done

Savannah

All sing verses 1-2 before the Gospel, then verse 3 after.



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (20:1-18).

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my

Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

After a time of silent reflection, all are invited to stand and say together:

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying: Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed.

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Leader On this feast day which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, especially for the church in Palestine, for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Leader Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Leader For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; be with those whose names we bring before you both out loud and in our hearts:

Congregation may add their intercessions

Leader For all our brothers and sisters, that death may have no more power over us, for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Leader For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today God will wipe away every tear, for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Leader May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world, for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Leader We pray all your children here at St. Matthew's, that we may faithfully live into your mission in the world. May we be one in faith with all who have died in Christ, for our life is hid with Christ in God; for Christ is risen:

People **Christ is risen indeed.**

Presider God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet each other in the name of Christ.

The people sit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

All of us

Craig Hella Johnson

(From *Considering Matthew Shepherd*)

What could be the song? Where begin again?
Who could meet us there? Where might we begin?
From the shadows climb, Rise to sing again;
Where could be the joy? How do we begin?

Never our despair, Never the least of us,
Never turn away, Never hide our face;
Ordinary boy, Only all of us,
Free us from our fear, Only all of us.

Only in the Love, Love that lifts us up,
Clear from out the heart
From the mountain's side,
Come creation come, Strong as any stream;
How can we let go? How can we forgive?
How can we be dream?

Out of heaven, rain, Rain to wash us free;
Rivers flowing on, Ever to the sea;
Bind up every wound, Every cause to grieve;
Always to forgive, Only to believe.

Most noble Light, Creation's face,
How should we live but joined in you,
Remain within your saving grace
Through all we say and do

And know we are the Love that moves
The sun and all the stars?
O Love that dwells, O Love that burns
In every human heart.

(Only in the Love, Love that lifts us up!)

This evergreen, this heart, this soul,
Now moves us to remake our world,
Reminds us how we are to be
Your people born to dream;
How old this joy, how strong this call,
To sing your radiant care
With every voice, in cloudless hope
Of our belonging here.

Only in the Love . . .

Only all of us . . .

(Heaven: Wash me . . .)

All of us, only all of us.

What could be the song?

Where do we begin?

Only in the Love,

Love that lifts us up. All.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN 210 The day of resurrection!

Ellacombe

Descant

3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,

1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,

the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;
 the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
 and, lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain
 let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,

for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 3 *[Enriching Our Worship]*

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

The people may sit for the Sanctus.

THE SANCTUS

Missa Festiva

John Leavitt

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.

The people stand or kneel, as able.

Presider Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, Jesus broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

All **Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in Glory!**

Presider Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Matthew and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

**Blessed are you now and for ever.
AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People **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

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The people are seated for the Agnus Dei

THE AGNUS DEI

Missa Festiva

John Leavitt

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God. Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table to receive the bread made holy.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 174 At the Lamb's high feast we sing

Salzburg

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
2 Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
3 Might - y vic - tim from on high, hell's fierce powers be - neath thee lie;
4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, these a - lone do sin de - stroy.

who hath washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
thou hast con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
From sin's power do thou set free souls new - born, O Lord, in thee.

praise we him, whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread;
now no more can death ap - pall, now no more the grave en - thrall;
Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise:

gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
thou hast o - pened par - a - dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
ris - en Lord, all praise to thee with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

After who wish to receive communion or a blessing have come forward, all stand.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father,**
you have graciously accepted us
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EASTER BLESSING

Presider May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children
through the resurrection of his Son our Lord,
bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

People **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism
has raised us from sin into newness of life,
make you holy and worthy
to be united with Christ for ever.

Amen.

May God, who has brought us
out of bondage to sin
into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer,
bring you to your eternal inheritance.

Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

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 heaven - 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 heaven - 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!

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE

Donations toward Easter Flowers are given by:



- By John and Dorrie Lloyd-Still in thanksgiving for Julian, Sofia, Anna, and Isabel.
- By David and Romana Frederickson in loving memory of Ramon LaRusso, Anna & Saro LaRusso, and Max & Virgie Hirsh.
- By David and Romana Frederickson in thanksgiving for Sam Frederickson and the Choir of St. Matthew's
- By Anne Branning, in loving memory of Tom Branning.
- By Charlie de Kay in loving memory of Chloe Padilla, the dog, and in thanksgiving for Christina, Norberto & Meagan, Daniel, Ghost, and Lenore, the cat.
- By Penelope Whiteside in thanksgiving for friends and family.

Donations toward our Easter Music are given by:

- By Stephen and Ginger Carr in honor of their family.
- By Nancy & Don Churchill in thanksgiving for Mark, James, and all the members of the St. Matthew's choir.
- By David and Romana Frederickson in loving memory of Ramon LaRusso, Anna & Saro LaRusso, and Max & Virgie Hirsh.
- By David and Romana Frederickson in thanksgiving for Sam Frederickson and the Choir of St. Matthew's.
- By Dorothy Wyandt and the Wyandt family in loving memory of John O. Wyandt.
- By Sandi McPhee in loving memory of John Sidley Strong and in thanksgiving for Daasabre, Barbara, Abena, Shaan, David, Linden, and Ruth.
- By Charlie de Kay in loving memory of George C. de Kay & Mary E de Kay and in thanksgiving for Manuel & Margaret Padilla.



Leading Our Worship This Morning

Presider: The Rev. Charles A. de Kay
Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey
Usher: Melissa Warden
Acolytes: Quincy Senechal, Xander Senechal
Lectors: Nancy Churchill, Stephen Carr

Prayers: Ginger Carr
Altar Guild: Kate Lauderbaugh, Sarah Muyres,
Kati Olsen
Green Team: Roberta Buchanan
Livestream: Diane Senechal

The St. Matthew's Choir:

Soprano

Monique Austin
Charlotte Bishop
Ginger Carr
Megan Cook*
Alice Dolan
Kari Sorenson**
Alannah Spencer*
Alicia Berneche
Andrea Bennett

Alto

Scott Bass*
Nancy Churchill
Allyn Rawling
Amy Shuldiner+
Angela Torres- Kutkuhn*
Claire Barber
Jess McCarthy
Joy Yelenosky
+Choral Assistant

Tenor

Francis Lynch
Karlos Piñero-Mercado*
Jonathan Weyant*
Michael Kirby
*Section Leader/Staff Singer

Bass

Nikolas Arden**
Terry Bucher*
Steve Carr
Jeremiah Strickler*
Nazarii Mykhailenko
Zachary Mendenhall
Joseph Bierzynski

** Staff Singer

REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE

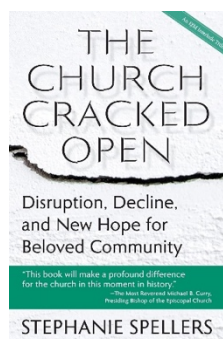
Our refugee project is important Easter work

As you reflect on the Easter miracle, also remember that we are helping a refugee family find a similar sense of hope, renewal, and the resurrection of a new life. In a recent podcast

(<https://episcopalmigrationministries.org/hometown-season6episode3-partners-in-community-sponsorship-2/>), members of our refugee team

reminded us that, as Christians, we are called to help refugees and others in need. Rev. Terri Morrissey reflected that part of our baptismal

covenant is to seek and serve Christ in all persons, and to respect the dignity of every human being. Ngozi Osuji from St. Andrew's Pentecost remarked that God teaches about kindness to the stranger, that although Jesus is no longer in the world, we can be his hands and feet. If you want to hear more about this work, contact Cynthia Doucet at cdoucet32@gmail.com.



St. Matthew's Book Group, Eastertide

Begins Wednesday, April 20th @ 6:30pm (CST)

"This book will make a profound difference for the church in this moment in history."

— The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry

Sometimes it takes disruption and loss to break us open and call us home to God. It's not surprising that a global pandemic and once-in-a-generation reckoning with white supremacy—on top of decades of systemic decline—have spurred Christians everywhere to ask who we are, why God placed us here and what difference that makes

to the world.

In this critical yet loving book, the author explores the American story and the Episcopal story in order to find out how communities steeped in racism, establishment, and privilege can at last fall in love with Jesus, walk humbly with the most vulnerable and embody beloved community in our own broken but beautiful way. *The Church Cracked Open* invites us to surrender privilege and redefine church, not just for the sake of others, but for our own salvation and liberation.

The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers is an Episcopal priest, author and speaker who serves as a Canon to The Episcopal Church's Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry. She spearheads Episcopal efforts to follow Jesus' Way of Love and to grow loving, liberating, life-giving relationships with God, each other and the earth.

The author of *Radical Welcome: Embracing God, The Other and the Spirit of Transformation* – as well as *The Episcopal Way*– she has worked for years at the intersection of practice and reflection, renewal and justice. Prior to taking her current post, she directed mission and evangelism work at General Theological Seminary in New York City, served as a canon in the Diocese of Long Island, and founded The Crossing, a ground-breaking church within St. Paul's Cathedral in Boston.

For April 20th read the introduction and chapters 1-3.

LEARNING TO BE ANTI-RACIST

Diverse reading and viewing

The wealth of resources on race and racism can be overwhelming. For lists vetted by librarians and arranged in an easy-to-use manner, check out the online lists from Skokie Public Library (<https://skokielinearly.info/lists/>). You can find recommended adult and children's books, audiobooks, and movies on Social Justice, Black Lives Matter, LGBTQ+, and many other subjects. You don't have to live in Skokie to access the site.

Green Team Update

St. Matthew's Green Team recently entered into an informal partnership with like-minded souls at St. Luke's and St. Mark's. St. Luke's celebrates the earth in various creative ways on Cross Quarter Days - the seasonal midpoints between the solstices and the equinoxes. In modern times, these are often called Groundhog Day (February 2), May Day (May 1), Lammas (August 1), and Halloween (October 31).



All are invited to attend the May Day celebration on **Sunday, May 1, 4:00pm - 5:00pm at Clark Street Beach** in Evanston. Join us as we rejoice in Spring and pray for the earth. We'll begin with a walk around the lagoon (scavenger hunt for young people and walking meditation for adults) and end with a short liturgy on the beach. Barbara Mahany, (author, journalist, Celtic Spirituality guide) will open our gathering with a brief meditation on Water and also the Celtic celebration of Beltane and give us clues to seeing the face of God in the watery nature all around us. Lauren Janus will explain the scavenger hunt for anyone wanting to gather things from nature. Contact Martha Meyer mmeyerii@gmail.com or Christina Padilla ctpadilla75@yahoo.com for more information - or just show up.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are encouraged to include these names in your daily prayers.

During Sunday worship, you are encouraged to offer silently or aloud your prayers to God.

If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, email julie@stmatthewsevanston.org.

Names are listed for 4 weeks.

The Prayer List is prayed for weekly by the St. Matthew's Prayer Group and daily by the Rector.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of Pakistan (United),

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Congregations in the Elgin Deanery, especially Redeemer in Elgin; St. Hugh of Lincoln in Elgin; St. Nicholas in Elk Grove Village; and St. Columba of Iona in Hanover Park.

For our Companion Dioceses: We pray for St. Mark in Yucatán in our Companion Dioceses of Southeast Mexico and St. Luke in Khor Adaar in the Diocese of Renk, South Sudan.

For the congregation at St. Matthew's as we embrace our new mission to be welcoming all in community; joyfully doing God's work in the world: welcoming our neighbors near and far.

We give thanks and pray for those celebrating birthdays in the month of April: Edith Fay, Debbie Burns, Connie Conley, Ramona Frederickson, Avery MacKay, Betty Stafford, Cate Bruner, Jillian Zidek, Nancy Trimble, Calvin Pennisi, Matthew Davies, Tim Patenode, Jim Kelly, Kati Olsen, Allyn Rawling, Monique Austin, Bobby McSweeney Maribeth Allen, Kassiana Fusselman, Robert Woodring, Walker Pennsi, Quincy Senechal

We give thanks and pray for those celebrating anniversaries in the month of April: Kristin Jacobsen and Allan Shampine.

We pray for equal opportunity and equal treatment under the law for all people; that we may be agents of God's kingdom, dismantling systems of injustice wherever and whenever we can, and for the will to enact common sense gun control laws.

We pray for those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf: Jeremy Garrett, Aaron Grant, Thomas Greenwich, Lee Henderson, Tyler Howland, Peter Marks, Ian McGuffin, Jeremy and Molly Robinson, Joseph Sanford, Daniel Seckinger, Emma Seckinger, Dan Teska, Thomas Garbee, and the members of our city's fire and police departments, and for their families.

We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit or who have asked for our prayers: Terry Ling, Clemence, Brigitte, Nancy Ferguson, Maurine Bohne, Sid Simpson, Jessica Mueller, Betty Stafford, Roy Gobin, Mark Austin, Steve Cropper, Maeve Shampine, Fame Brooks, Emily Dyer, Juli Magness, Mike Wagner, Cathy Fiala, the Rev. Canon Paula Clark, Maggie Walker, Corky Siegfriedt, Mark Jacobsen, Zachary Nichols (Wyoming Service Corps), Dorothy Piasecki, and Richard Searles.

We pray for all in need: those struggling with the Coronavirus, all victims of this pandemic, organ donors and those awaiting transplant, the lonely and isolated, our nation, especially those oppressed by our current systems, those protesting racial injustice, all elected officials seeking to lead communities in this challenging time, the unemployed and under-employed.

We pray for those suffering from warfare and acts of violence, natural disasters, and their aftermaths, especially those in Ukraine.

We pray for all who have died, and for all who mourn their passing.

ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

While the shape and format of our service is from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* (Revisions authorized by the Episcopal Church, March 17, 2020), St. Matthew's strives to offer worship that is relevant, inclusive, and hospitable: worship which is in keeping with our mission to be "welcoming all in community; joyfully doing God's work in the world."

Therefore, we draw upon a variety of authorized sources, adapting them as necessary.

In today's service, the Opening Acclamation, The Confession and Absolution, and the Nicene Creed come from *Enriching Our Worship I*. The Collect of the Day is taken from *Prayers for an Inclusive Church* by Steven Shakespeare. Scripture readings are taken from the *New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible. The Blessing is adapted from *The Book of Occasional Services* 2003.

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Notes



*Welcoming all in community;
joyfully doing God's work in
the world.*

St. Matthew's lay leaders duly elected and appointed at
The 146th Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 30, 2022

St. Matthew's Vestry

Melissa Warden, *Senior Warden*

Damon Doucet, *Junior Warden*

Penelope Boardman, Karen LaBranche, Molly Purse, Steve Steiber (2023)

William Siegfriedt, Penelope Whiteside (2024)

Curtis Nilsson, William Widmer, Deborah Williams (2025)

Virginia Voedisch, *Clerk of the Vestry* (2023)

Christopher Motogawa & Allison Zidek, *Co-Treasurers* (2023)

Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment

Tim Patenode (2023) Damon Doucet (2024) Stephen Carr (2025)

St. Matthew's Lay Delegation to the 185th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago November 18-19, 2022

Delegates

Sandra McPhee

Damon Doucet

Virginia Voedisch

Alternates

Christopher Motogawa

Sally Craige Christensen

Kristin Jacobsen

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, *27th Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church*

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Chicago, *The Ecclesial Authority. Episcopal Diocese of Chicago*
(until the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Canon. Paula E. Clark, Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Chicago)

The Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen, *Assisting Bishop of the Diocese of Chicago*

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