



# St. Mary's Episcopal Church

March 31, 2024



Easter Sunday  
10am Service of Holy Eucharist

## EASTER LILIES IN THANKSGIVING AND REMEMBRANCE

**Bob and Jann Sherrill**

*In memory of Caroleena, Herb, Doris,  
and Dionna*

**Mary Alice Johnson**

*To the Glory of God*

**Rashmika Paton**

*In memory of my mother*

**Barbara Stek**

*In memory of my parents May and  
Ralph Wagner*

**Judy Brady**

*Dedicated to Al and Pat Fleetwood*

**Jill and Dave Rush**

*Dedicated to Nick and Helen Ebacher,  
David Rush Sr. and Eddie Rush*

**Bob and Karol Libbey**

*In loving memory of Bobby Libbey and  
in Thanksgiving for our Family*

**Nancy, Michael, Jesse, and Cassidy  
Burke**

*In Thanksgiving for the People of St.  
Mary's*

**Michael Burke**

*In Thanksgiving to God for our St.  
Mary's staff members*

**Lois Rockcastle**

*In Memory of my parents:  
Carolyn Rockcastle Nichols  
Glenn Rockcastle  
Howard Nichols*

**Cole Barker**

*In loving memory of Dora and Joe,  
whose kindness nurtured Jess into  
such  
an incredible human.*

**Lisa Scroggs**

*To the Glory of God*

**Becky Windt-Pearson**

*In memory of Mary Windt and Alex  
Arduser*

**Debbie Moderow**

*In thanksgiving for wonderful parents,  
Do and Lew Clarke*

**Mark Williams**

*In memory of Billie and Quin Williams*

**Jeri and Bill Anderson**

*In thanksgiving for our grandsons  
To the Glory of God*

**Gretchen Bersch**

*In thanksgiving for family, love and life*

*Delighting in This World*

Here. Now. As It Is. As You Are. As We Are.

*Working toward God's Dream*

For Everyone. For Everything. All the Time.

*St. Mary's is a community of delight and service, rooted in the love of God made known in the world around us and in the way of Jesus.*

*This place is open to all – no matter what questions you have, or where you find yourself on your spiritual journey. Our prayer is that we may be for you a place of healing, delight, meaningful community, and flourishing life.*

*Especially to those whose experience with religion has not been life-giving, please know that there is hope and life and laughter beyond the pain of the past. The healing power of God's grace and love gives new life to a world of promise and hope--a world worth delighting in. Here.*

*Now. As it is. As you are. As we are.*

*Blessings and peace to you this holy day.*

**ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

2222 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507

(907) 563-3341 [www.GodsView.org](http://www.GodsView.org)

## GROUPS CURRENTLY ACTIVE AT ST. MARY'S

*Call (907)563-3341 for more information*

Short Informal Service, followed by breakfast – *Wed. mornings 7:00 -7:20 am*

Men's Small Group Bible Study – *Thurs. mornings 7:00 - 8:00 am*

Women's Book Group

Christian dream work and reflection groups

Bible Workbench - *Exploring the intersections of faith, scripture, psychology, current events, and our daily lives*

Taizé-style worship – *Third Thursdays at 7pm in the Chapel (in the A-frame)*

Scouts, *for info call Brad Sewell, 346-4314*

Women's Knitting Circle

Bazaar Team (craft making, jams, jellies, fabric art). *Times vary throughout year*

Sunday Morning Adult Christian Formation, *11:30 am-12:30 pm, Waldron Hall*

Sr. High Youth Group activities, *trips and events, various times*

Jr. High Youth Group activities, *trips and events, various times*

Sunday School, *ages 4-19 Sundays 11:30 am-12:30 pm downstairs level*

Godly Play (*Montessori-based exploration of the stories of Jesus (ages 4 and up), Sundays, 10 am, downstairs level*)

Sanctuary Choir, *Rehearse Wednesdays 6:15 – 7:15 pm*

Praise Singers roots music group

Christians for Equality (Social Justice) *Meets monthly 563-3341 ext. 14 for info*

Anchorage Faith and Action – *Congregations Together. Community organizing.*

St. Mary's Creative Playschool events

Numerous events at The Thomas Center for Senior Leadership

*Various other retreats, workshops, presentations, outreach teams, & celebrations happen all year long. Looking for community, fellowship, and service? Come join us!*

*Learn more at [GodsView.org](http://GodsView.org)*

## MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

*The ministers of St. Mary's are all the people of St. Mary's.*

**PREACHER:** The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

**CELEBRANT:** The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gomez, Associate Rector

**READER:** Kristina Reza and Cole Barker

**THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE:** Charlene Davis

**PRAYERS:** Sherrie Simmonds

**MUSICIANS:** Luke Honeck, Rachel Morgan, and the St. Mary's Choir

**MEDIA SPECIALIST:** Seth Eggleston

**FLOWERS:** Mary-Alice Johnson, *to the Glory of God*

Jann and Bob Sherrill, *in memory of Caroleena, Herb, Doris, and Diana*

Rashmika, *in memory of my mother*

Barbara Stek, *in memory of my parents, May and Ralph Wagner*

**DONUTS:** Steve Kennedy

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| <h2>GATHERING IN THE NAME OF GOD</h2> |
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**PRELUDE** • Rachel Morgan, *organ*

**WELCOME** • The Rev. Michael Burke

**OPENING HYMN** • *That Easter Morn* • MHSO #99

*As able, all stand*

*(next page)*

[Antiphon]

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

1. That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, a faith - ful wo - man  
 2. When Ma - ry's heart was filled with gloom as she stood weep - ing  
 3. "Why do you weep?" his ques - tion came. "Whose is the bo - dy  
 4. No long - er weep - ing, an - guish - bent, but with re - joic - ing

went near her way to seek the tomb where  
 near the tomb, to a stran - er spoke, she  
 you would claim?" And then, at last, he  
 Ma - ry went, And by Christ, the first a -

Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial  
 knew not whom. Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial  
 spoke her name. Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial  
 pos - tle sent. Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial [Ant.]

## OPENING SENTENCES

*As able, all remain standing*

*Priest Alleluia, Christ is risen!*

*People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

*Priest* 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 • WLP 900

Glo-ry to God in the high- est, — and peace to peo-ple on earth. —

— Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God\_ and Father, — we

wor - ship you\_ we give you thanks, we praise you for\_ your glory. —

Lord Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa- ther, — Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way\_ the sin of the world: — have mer - cy on us;

you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther: 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 the Fa - ther. A - - men. —



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| SERVICE OF THE WORD |
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## THE COLLECT

*Priest* God be with you.

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

*Priest* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## FIRST READING • Isaiah 25:6-9

*Reader* A reading from the Acts of the Isaiah.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;  
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the Lord has spoken.

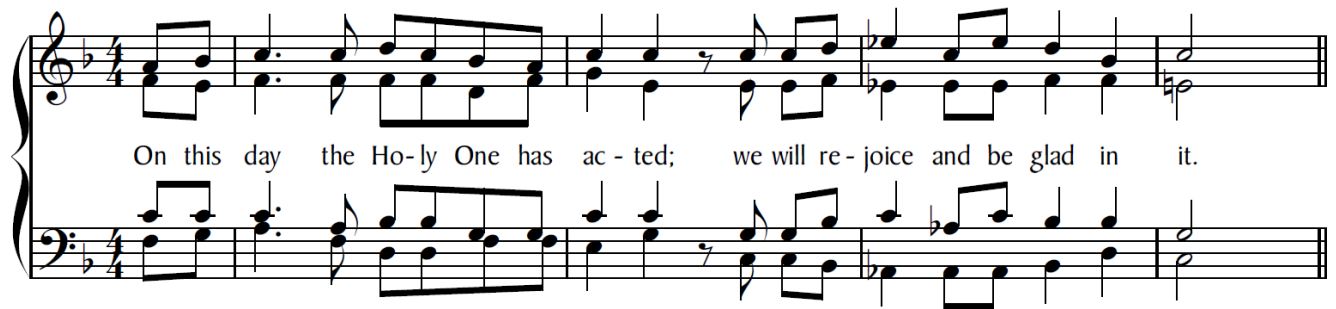
It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***



PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24 • Emilee Smith, *cantor***ANTIPHON**

Give thanks to God, who is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now proclaim:

"God's mercy endures for ever."

God is my strength and my song  
and has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory  
in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Most High has triumphed!

the right hand of the Most High is exalted!

the right hand of the Most High has triumphed!"

**ANTIPHON (all sing)**

I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of God.

God has punished me sorely,

but did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them;

I will offer thanks to God.

**ANTIPHON (all sing)**

"This is the gate of the Holy One;

Those who are righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected

Has become the chief cornerstone.

This is God's doing;

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**ANTIPHON (all sing)**

**SECOND READING • Acts 10:34-43**

*Reader* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then Peter began to speak to them: '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.'

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

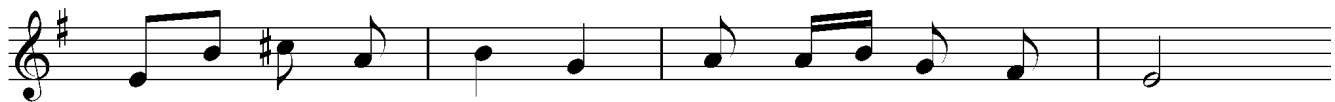
*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**GOSPEL HYMN • Now the Green Blade Riseth from the Buried Grain • Hymnal #204**

*As able, all stand*



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|---|-------|-----|--------|-------|------------|--------------|------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | Now   | the | green  | blade | ris - eth  | from         | the  | bur - ied | grain, |
| 2 | In    | the | grave  | they  | laid him,  | Love         | whom | hate      | had    |
| 3 | Forth | he  | came   | at    | Eas - ter, | like         | the  | ris - en  | grain, |
| 4 | When  | our | hearts | are   | win - try, | griev - ing, | or   | in        | pain,  |



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|-------|-------|------|----------|-------|---------|------|-------|-------|
| wheat | that  | in   | dark     | earth | man - y | days | has   | lain; |
| think | - ing | that | nev - er | he    | would   | wake | a -   | gain, |
| he    | that  | for  | three    | days  | in      | the  | grave | had   |
| thy   | touch | can  | call     | us    | back    | to   | life  | a -   |



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|--------|-------|-----|--------|------|----------|------|--------|-------|-------|
| love   | lives | a - | gain,  | that | with     | the  | dead   | has   | been: |
| laid   | in    | the | earth  | like | grain    | that | sleeps | un -  | seen: |
| quick  | from  | the | dead   | my   | ris - en | Lord | is     | seen: |       |
| fields | of    | our | hearts | that | dead     | and  | bare   | have  | been: |



## THE GOSPEL • John 20:1-18

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

*Priest* 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 the Lord.

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

SERMON • The Rev. Michael Burke

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*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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.*

*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 and the Son.*

*With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.*

*He 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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;

***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;

***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop; and all bishops and ministers;

***For all who serve God in the Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The People may add their own thanksgivings, aloud or via chat boxes*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

*Silence may be kept.*

*A Priest says Together, praying,*

*Minister and People*

*Most merciful God,*

*we confess that we have sinned against you*

*in thought, word, and deed,*

*by what we have done,*

*and by what we have left undone.*

*We have not loved you with our whole heart;*

*we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.*

*We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.*

*For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,*

*have mercy on us and forgive us;*

*that we may delight in your will,*

*and walk in your ways,*

*to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*A Priest says*

*Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.*

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Priest The peace of Christ be always with you.*

*People And also with you.*

## **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

## **OFFERTORY SENTENCES**

*Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.*

*- Ephesians 5:2*

*Offerings toward the work and ministry of St. Mary's may be made by  
texting **StMarysAK** to 73256, at [GodsView.org](http://GodsView.org), or with the QR Code:*



**OFFERTORY ANTHEM • Fanfare for Easter •** by Jane Marshall

## **DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,*

*Praise God, all creatures here below,*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host,*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*As able, all stand or kneel*

*Priest* God be with you.

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

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

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

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

*The priest continues*

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God,  
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,  
the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation,  
who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God.  
With your whole created universe,  
we praise you for your unfailing gift of life.  
We thank you that you make us human  
and stay with us even when we turn away from you.  
Therefore with people of every nation, tribe and language,  
with the whole Church on earth and in heaven,  
joyfully we give you thanks and sing:

(next page)



## SANCTUS

Ho - - ly, ho - - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer 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.

All glory and honour to you, God of grace,  
 for you gave your only Son Jesus Christ  
 once for all on the cross  
 to be the one perfect sacrifice for the sin and brokenness of the world,  
 that all who believe in him might have eternal and abundant life.

The night before he died,  
 Jesus took bread, and when he had given you thanks,  
 he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;  
 do this to remember me. 🍷🍷🍷

After supper he took the cup,  
 and when he had given you thanks,  
 he gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you,  
 for this is my blood of the new covenant

which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this as often as you drink it, to remember me. 🛎️🛎️🛎️

Therefore, loving God,  
in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son,  
we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and proclaim the mystery of our faith:

*Celebrant and People*

*Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come in glory.*

Redeemer God, rich in mercy, infinite in goodness,  
we were far off until you brought us near  
and our hands are empty until you fill them.

As we eat this bread and drink this wine,  
through the power of your Holy Spirit  
feed us with your heavenly food,  
renew us in your service,  
unite us in Christ,  
and bring us to your everlasting kingdom.

O the depths and riches of your wisdom, O God;  
how unsearchable are your judgments and untraceable your ways.

*From you, and through you, and for you are all things.  
To you be the glory for ever. AMEN. 🛎️🛎️🛎️*

*Priest* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in the language of  
our own heart:

*(next page)*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant and People*

*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.*

Deg Xinag Version

*Dinaxito' ngi'ezre' yan' ngizrenh.  
Yitots'in' yoye dhedo.  
Yitots'in' ngutl'ogh xiye  
Tr'ididl'tth'e.  
Go dranh nighantl'itthin dinadhong  
he' on.  
Tr'ixet'ixdi xits'in' dinatighelalin.  
(Yitots'in) trixet'xdi xits'in  
Dinak'odz xudingilnek*

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

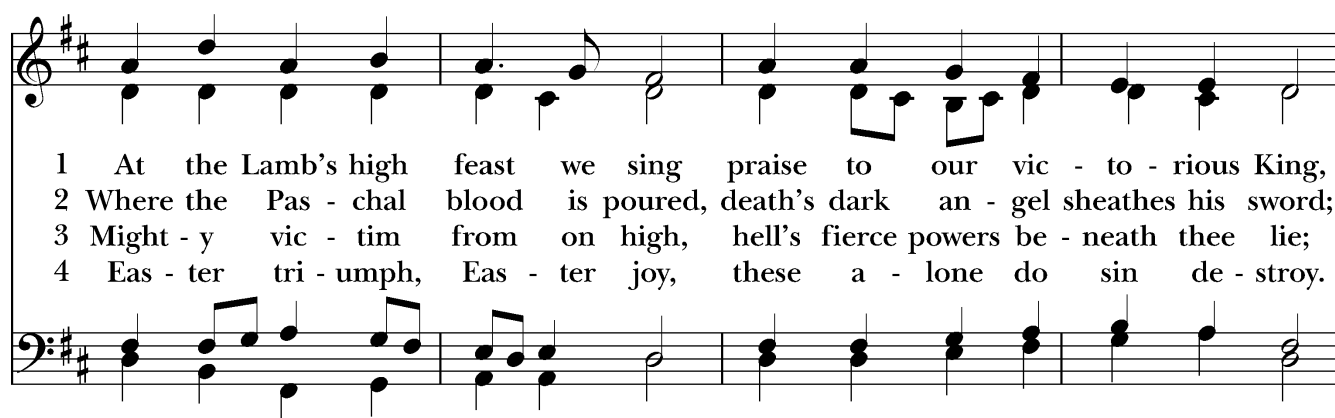
*Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

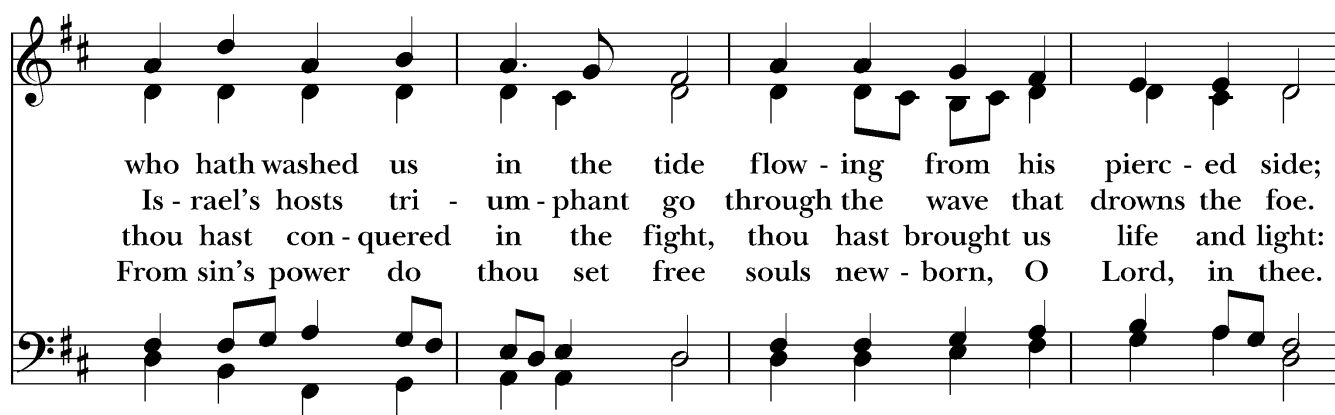
### ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's Banquet.  
It is made ready for those who love God,  
and for those who want to love God more.  
So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little,  
you who have been here often, and you who have not been here  
long, you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed.  
Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

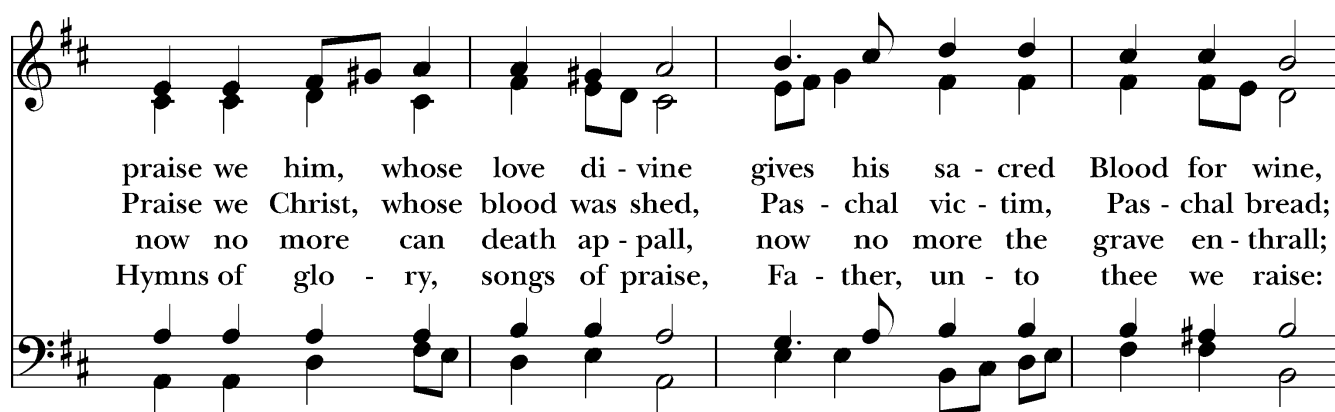
## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN • *At the Lamb's High Feast* • Hymnal #174


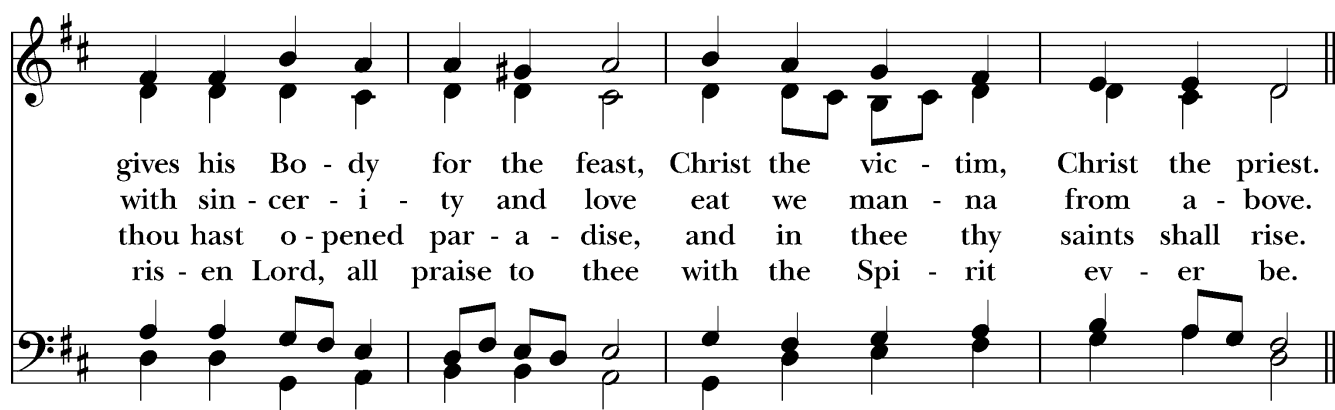
1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,  
 2 Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;  
 3 Might - y vic - tim from on high, hell's fierce powers be - neath thee lie;  
 4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, these a - lone do sin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

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*After Communion, a priest says*

*Let us pray.*

*Celebrant and people*

*God of abundance,*

*you have fed us with the bread of life*

*and cup of salvation;*

*you have united us with Christ and one another;*

*and you have made us one with all your people*

*in heaven and on earth.*

*Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,*

*that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world*

*and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

## BLESSING

*A priest blesses the people*

## SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Celebrant: (Name), in the name of this congregation, we send you to share our Eucharist with \_\_\_\_\_. May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the sacrament of Christ's presence.*

*All: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup!*

*Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BIRTHDAYS

*Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### ANNIVERSARIES

*Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.*

## SOBRIETY

*Bless, O God, your servant in their work or recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.*

## WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT

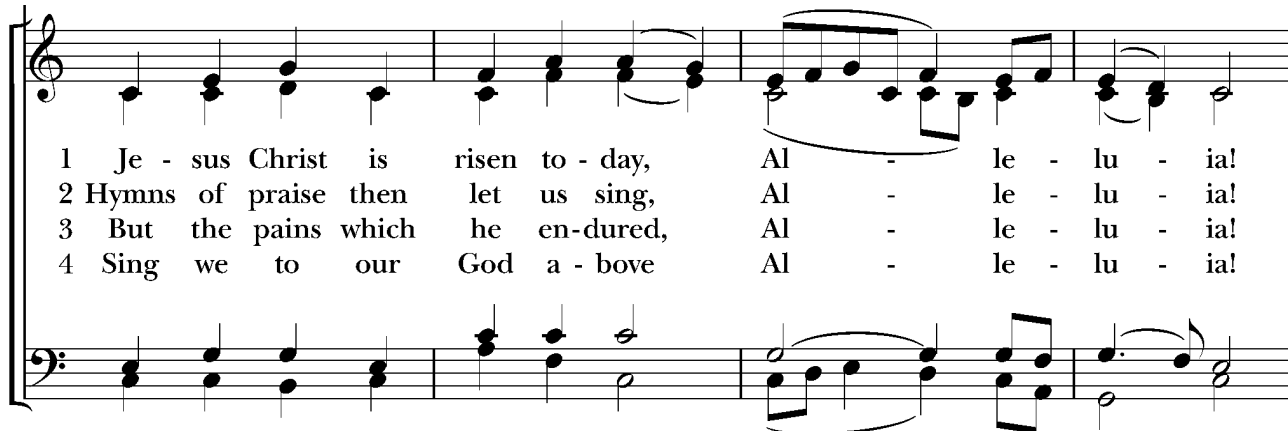
*Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant who has enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family; now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

## BLESSING SONG

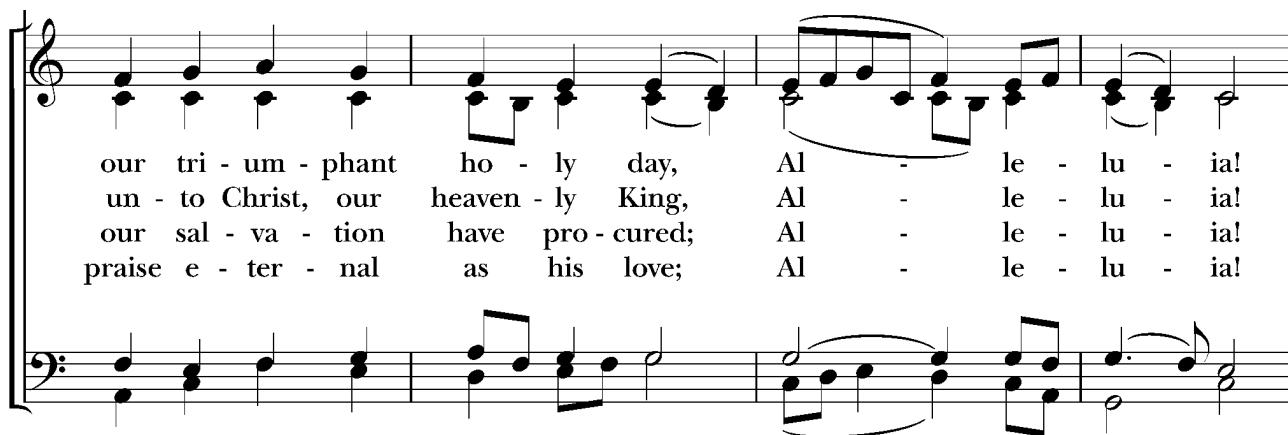
*May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son. And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love\*, be with you all your days.*

*\*Spirit of Peace [second verse]*

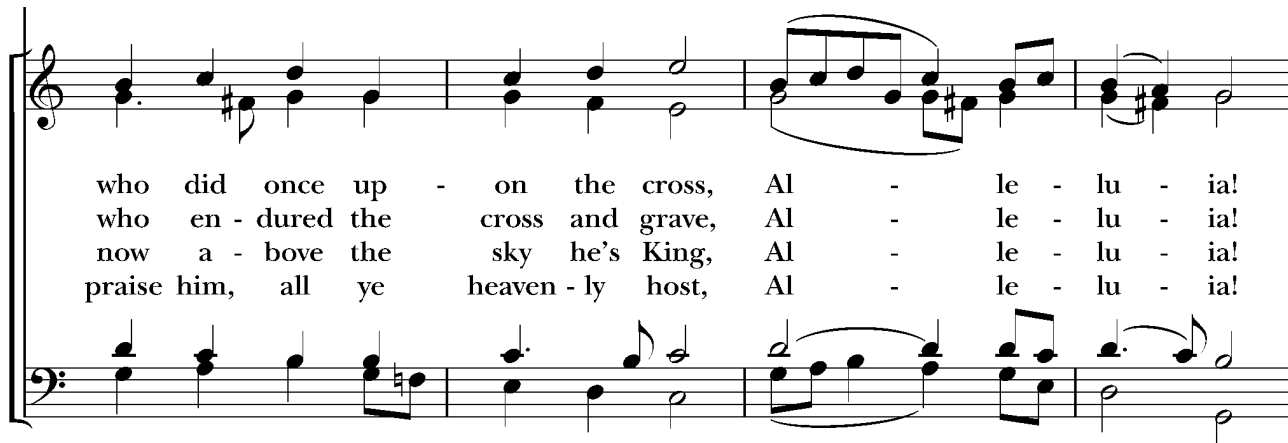
*(Recessional hymn on next page)*

RECESSIONAL HYMN • *Jesus Christ is Risen Today!* • Hymnal #207*As able, all stand.*


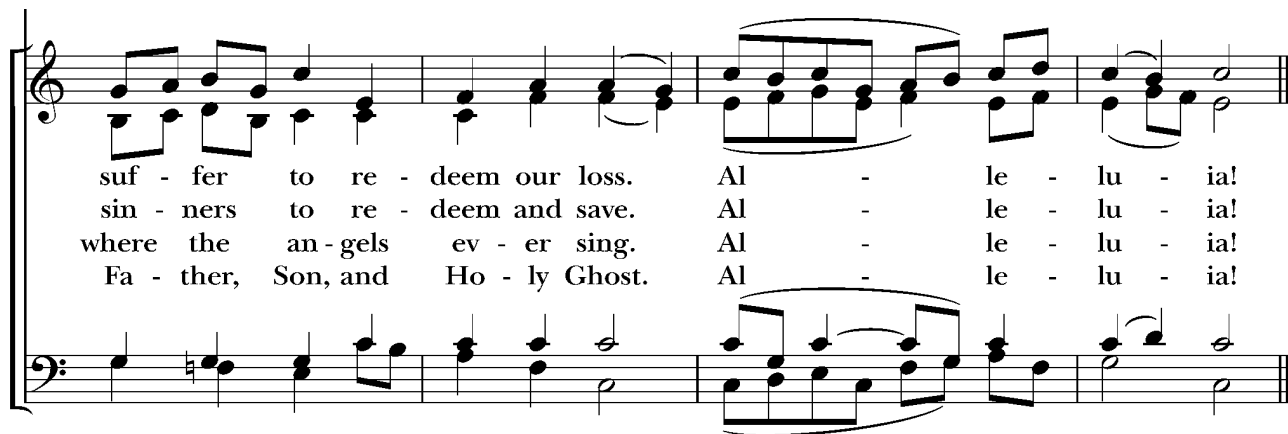
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!



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!



## DISMISSAL

*A priest says* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

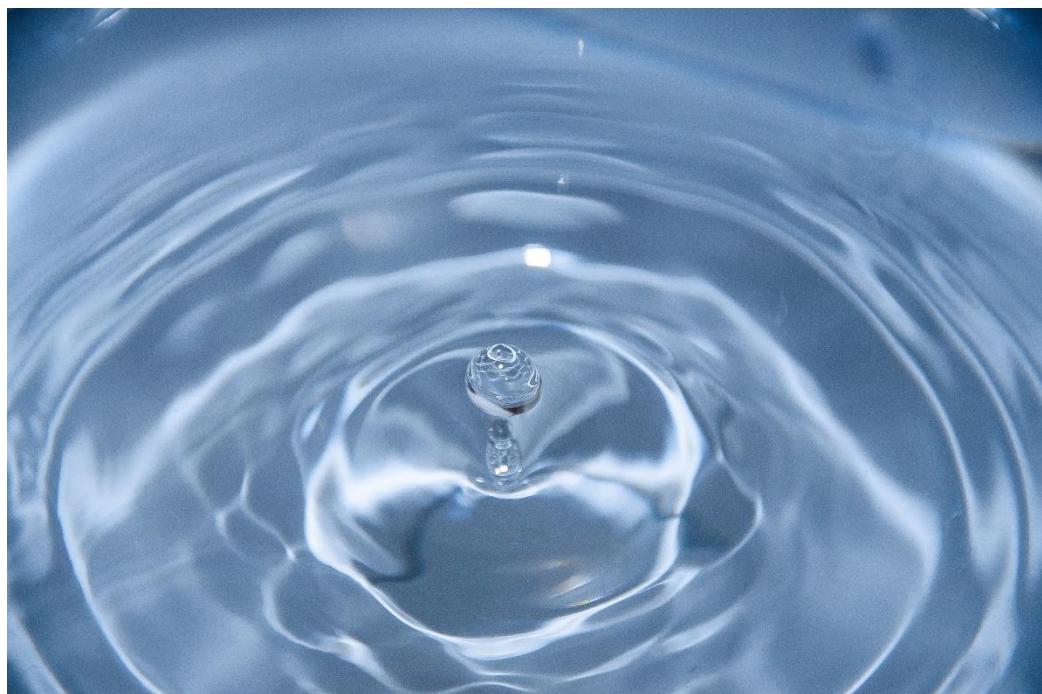
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

*Those using Zoom are invited to join breakout rooms for conversation and fellowship. Those on campus are invited to Waldron Hall or refreshments and conversation.*



## HOLY BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, OR ADULTS

We have rejoiced in celebrating a number of baptisms recently, and we are planning more in the near future. Email [Israel@GodsView.org](mailto:Israel@GodsView.org) to discuss scheduling, or to find out if baptism is right for you!



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**PARTNERS in SERVICE:** In 2023-2024, St. Mary's has partnered with over seventy-five groups and organizations through a combination of joint programming, provision of services, building use, or pastoral care services or funding.

Abused Women's Aid in Crisis  
(AWAIC)

Alaskans for Better Choices /  
Volunteers of America (DUI re-  
education / victim impact panels)

Alaska Coalition to End  
Homelessness

Best Beginnings (early childhood  
education)

Standing Together Against Rape

Partners in Homeless Education

United Thank Offering (UTO)

Malawi Children's Village

Children's Lunchbox – Hunger  
Program

The Episcopal Diocese of AK

Episcopal Native Ministries

Faith Into Tomorrow

Diocesan Investment Committee

Commission on Ministry

South Central Deanery

Episcopal Prison Ministry

Fellowship In Serving Humanity

Helping Hand Bags

P.L.U.M.E. Ecumenical Ministry

Anchorage Interfaith Council

Anchorage Faith In Action -  
Congregations Together  
(AFACT)

Dancing in the Spirit Ministries  
Numerous 12-Step recovery  
groups:

St. Mary's Creative Playschool

Alaska Native Medical Center  
pastoral care department

Brother Francis Shelter

Beans Café

99+ 1 (Homelessness)

First Christian Church After School  
Program

Nasenga Primary School (Malawi)

The Anchorage Gospel Rescue  
Mission

Anchorage Coalition to End  
Homelessness

Heifer Project International

Nets for Life (Malaria Prevention)

Episcopal Relief and Development

Older Persons Action Group

Christians For Equality

Homeward Bound / Karluk Manor

Hope Community Resources

Sand Lake parishes- Malawi, Africa  
Identity, Inc. – civil rights  
The Alaska Christian Conference  
Thomas Center for Senior  
    Leadership  
Red Cross - Disaster Relief  
New Chance Ministries Ukrainian  
    Refugee Relief  
The Lullaby Project at Hiland  
    Mountain  
Bread for the World  
Open Arms Orphan Nursery  
    (Malawi)  
Choosing Our Roots (COR)  
Arciniega Productions Youth  
    Program  
Covenant House Alaska  
Hope Community Resources  
Henning, Inc. (Homelessness)  
AK Cubs Closet (kids and families)  
St. Mary's Rapid Rehousing Fund  
The Queen's Guard

Knitters of the North  
Community Yoga for Elders  
Girdwood Chapel  
Hospice of Anchorage  
I-Act Little Ripples Program  
PILA Global (kids at the border)  
AK Correctional Ministries  
Assist Ukraine (refugees)  
Underground Pride  
Water.org (safe water – developing  
    world)  
Magic Yarn Project (kids w/cancer)  
Newborns in Need – AK Chapter  
The Listening Post  
Cafecito Bonito  
Anchor Gardens  
Facing Foster Care  
Cub Scouts / Scouting  
Tudor Elementary School  
The Alaska Conference of the  
United Methodist Church  
King Career Center

A close-up photograph of a wooden cutting board with several round, golden-brown bread rolls. One roll in the foreground is partially broken, revealing a soft, white interior. The background is slightly blurred, showing more rolls and a white cloth.

## Easter Brunch

Waldron Hall

After the service, join us in Waldron Hall  
as we celebrate with a delicious brunch!

A photograph of a white woven basket filled with numerous colorful Easter eggs. The eggs are in various colors including red, blue, green, yellow, and pink. Some eggs are partially covered by others, and green grass is visible at the bottom of the basket.

## Easter Egg Hunts

After the service, children and youth  
are invited to join in Easter Egg hunts!

Toddlers & Preschoolers – Waldron Hall  
Kindergarten-Sixth Grade – Sanctuary  
Middle & High School – Chapel



# St. Mary's Talent Show

Saturday, April 6

3 pm (performers check in at 12 pm)

St. Mary's Sanctuary

Share your talents and applaud others at this fun collaboration between the Youth Group and Alaska Theatre of Youth! See your newsletter for details.

# First Sunday Breakfast

Sunday, April 7

9 am in Waldron Hall

Get your week off to a delicious start  
by sharing breakfast with friends!

For even more fun, come at 8 am and help cook!



## THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

March 31-April 7, 2024

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to sign up for our newsletter

### Sunday, March 31 – Easter Sunday

- 10 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#)  
Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877
- 11:20 am Easter Egg Hunts  
Waldron Hall, Sanctuary, Chapel
- 11:20 am Easter Brunch  
Waldron Hall

### Monday, April 1

*No scheduled events*

### Tuesday, April 2

- 5:30 pm [Dreaming Our Future Team](#)  
Cay's Room and Online;  
ID 844 4476 7936

### Wednesday, April 3

- 7 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#)  
Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088
- 8 am [Caring Ministries Team](#)  
Cay's Room & online;  
ID 823 7969 4537
- 6:15 pm Choir Rehearsal  
Sanctuary
- 7:30 pm Praise Singers Rehearsal  
Sanctuary

### Thursday, April 4

- 7 am Men's Group  
Waldron Hall
- 6:30 pm Colombian Preparation Meeting  
Waldron Hall
- 7 pm [Bible Workbench](#)  
Online; ID 821 8564 8348

### Friday, April 5

*No scheduled events*

### Saturday, April 6

- 3 pm St. Mary's Talent Show  
Sanctuary and Narthex

### Sunday, April 7

- 8 am Service of Holy Eucharist  
Chapel
- 9 am First Sunday Breakfast  
Waldron Hall
- 10 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#)  
Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877
- 10 am Godly Play & Sunday School  
Downstairs classrooms
- 10 am Children's Chapel  
Chapel
- 11:20 am Fellowship Hour  
Waldron Hall
- 11:20 am Sermon Circle  
Cay's Room
- 4 pm Evening Prayer  
Sanctuary

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