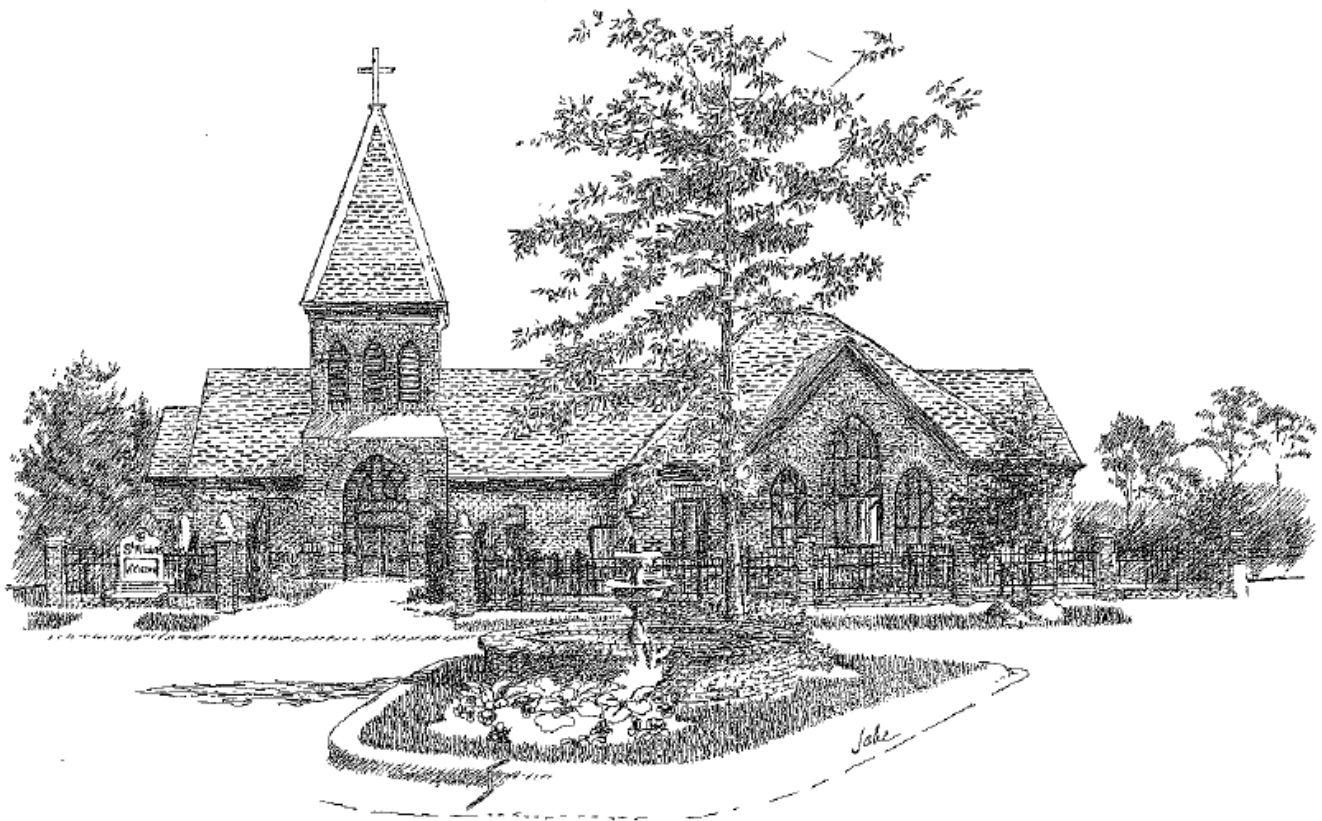


# St. Alban's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*welcomes you*



## **The Sunday of the Resurrection**

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

April 5, 2026

11:00 a.m.

# The Liturgy of the Word

Welcome to St. Alban's! Thank you for worshiping with us today. In order to allow for private prayer, we ask that you refrain from loud conversation upon entering the nave. If you choose to kneel for parts of the service, please use the kneeler beneath your own chair. Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. Crayons and a Bible story coloring page are available on the table just outside the doors to the nave. \*The congregation is invited to stand as able when indicated by an asterisk.

**The Prelude:** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing  
*Brass Ensemble & Organ*

S. Drummond Wolff

**\*The Processional Hymn: 207 Jesus Christ is risen today**

EASTER HYMN

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 Easter Acclamation**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## \*The Collect for Purity

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. **Amen.**

## \*The Gloria: S 278

### Glory to God in the highest

William Mathias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-  
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-  
ceive our prayer. 6. For  
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
7. 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.

## \*The Collect for Easter Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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.**

## The First Lesson

**Jeremiah 31:1-6**

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 *Read responsively by half verse.*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*

**his mercy endures for ever.**

Let Israel now proclaim, \*

**"His mercy endures for ever."**

The LORD is my strength and my song, \*

**and he has become my salvation.**

There is a sound of exultation and victory \*

**in the tents of the righteous:**

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*

**the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"**

I shall not die, but live, \*

**and declare the works of the LORD.**

The LORD has punished me sorely, \*

**but he did not hand me over to death.**

Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*

**I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.**

"This is the gate of the LORD; \*

**he who is righteous may enter."**

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*

**and have become my salvation.**

The same stone which the builders rejected \*

**has become the chief cornerstone.**

This is the LORD's doing, \*

**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

On this day the LORD has acted; \*

**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

## The Second Lesson

Colossians 3:1-4

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**\*The Gospel Acclamation:** Easter Fanfare (*sung by the Choir*)

E. E. Ferguson

**\*The Gospel**

**Matthew 28:1-10**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Carmen Germino

**\*The Nicene Creed**

*Celebrant and People*

**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**

*Please read together the names on our prayer list, when prompted.*

*Deacon*

Heavenly King, for us you endured the cross and the grave. When we were yet sinners, you redeemed and saved us. May we sing your eternal praises everywhere we go, saying Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Intercessor*

In this Easter season, may we commit ourselves to work for the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for our nation, and our world, and for its leaders and members of the armed forces, that your spirit of peace and renewal may overcome our differences, for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Comfort all who suffer, and surround them with your grace. Together, we pray for: **BJ, Bill, Bill, Judy, Bob, Bob, Bob, Brandy, Brian, Carrie, Christine, Christopher, Clark, Cynthia, David, Dreama, Eric, Gina, Jackson, Joan, Joe, Joyce, Linda, Linda, Linda, Mark, Matt, Noah, Riley, Shirley, Sujata, Susie, Tony, Wayne.** Are there others? May they know your healing love, for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Give rest to all who have died, especially Maria Collias, and help us to trust that their pain is no more, for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the women at the tomb. Make us your sign of new life in our world, for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant*

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. **Amen.**

**\*The Exchange of the Peace**

*The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

**The Greeting and Announcements**

**The Holy Communion**

**The Offertory Anthem:** He is Not Here!

Russell Nagy

*Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord. To utilize our text-to-give option, simply text "ALBANS" to 73256.*

**\*The Presentation of Gifts**

**\*The Festival Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People*

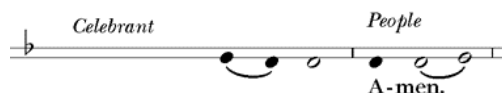
**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



*Celebrant*

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

*Celebrant and People*

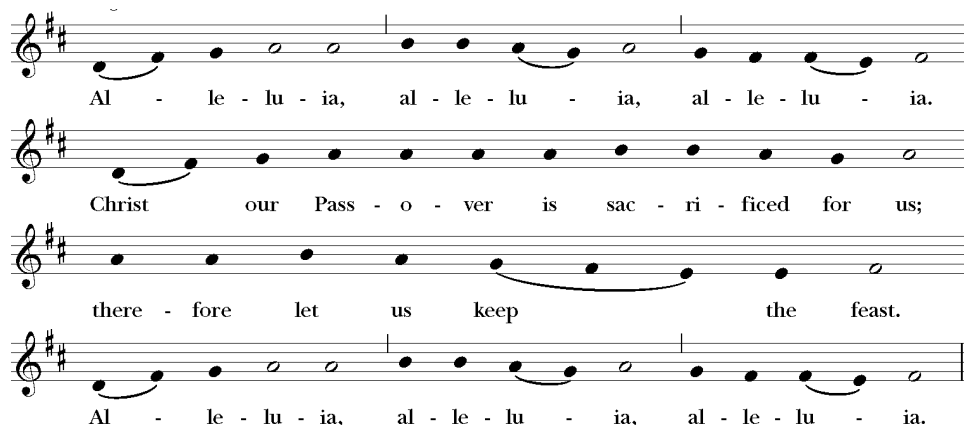
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### \*The Breaking of the Bread

### \*The Fraction Anthem: S 154

### Christ our Passover

David Hurd



### The Ministration of Communion

*All are welcome to gather at the Lord's table. At the appropriate time, you may come forward to one of the two communion stations in front of the altar. If anyone is seated in the Parish Hall, they will be guided to the nave by an usher and will proceed to the front first. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the clergy. Wine is available either by sipping from the common cup (silver chalice) or by intinction (dipping the wafer into the pottery chalice). Please take utmost care to keep your fingers from touching the wine as you dip. You may choose to receive only the bread or the wine, as either one alone is a full Communion. Please tell an usher if you need Communion brought to you. In the Episcopal Church, it is customary that those receiving Communion have been baptized in any Christian tradition, and no one who comes to the altar in faith is turned away. If you would like to learn more about Baptism at St. Alban's, please be in touch with the clergy. If you are not receiving Communion, we hope you will come forward and cross your arms over your chest, so that we might share a blessing with you.*

*Descant*  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

*Refrain*  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

*1-4* *Final Ending*  
Praise to his Name. Name.  
Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.  
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.  
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

*Repeat Refrain*  
He is the King of cre - a - tion.  
Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -  
Now we shall live for ev - er.  
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

# The Communion 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;  
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.  
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,

## \*The Post Communion Prayer

*The congregation is invited to kneel or stand as able.*

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and 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

*Celebrant*

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 grace, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

## \*The Recessional Hymn: 175 Hail thee, festival day, *stanças 1, 2, 7, 8*

SALVE FESTA DIES

*Refrain*

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for -  
 ev - er, day where - on Christ a - rose, break - ing the

*First time only* | 2

king - dom of death. death.

1 Lo, the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the  
 3 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the  
 5 God the cre - a - tor, the Lord, who rul - est the  
 7 Spi - rit of life and of power, now flow in us,

win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good  
 glo - ry of blos - som; hea - ven her  
 earth and the hea - vens, guard us from  
 fount of our be - ing, light that dost

*Repeat Refrain*

gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:  
 gates un - bars, fling - ing her in - crease of light:  
 harm with - out, cleanse us from e - vil with - in:  
 light - en all, life that in all dost a - bide:

2 He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and the  
 4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art au - thor of  
 6 Je - sus the health of the world, en - light - en our  
 8 Praise to the Giv - er of good! Thou Love who art

ru - ler of na - ture; all things cre - a - ted on  
 life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of  
 minds, thou Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -  
 au - thor of con - cord, pour out thy balm on our

*Repeat Refrain*

earth sing to the glo - ry of God:  
 death, life thou be - stow - est on all:  
 preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God:  
 souls, or - der our ways in thy peace:

## \*The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**The Postlude: Welcome, Happy Morning**  
*Brass Ensemble & Organ*

Arthur Sullivan, arr. Randy Adams



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Daniel and Chantal Vinson, in loving memory of The Very Reverend Donald K. Vinson and Roger Rochon

Linda Vinson, in memory of The Very Reverend Donald Vinson

## Guest Musicians

Welcome and thank you to our guest musicians for today's service.

Don Angel, *trumpet*

Ben Mitchell, *trumpet*

Charles Emerich, *trombone*

Randell Hastings, *trombone*

Thank you to Lois Buesser, who is serving as our interim organist and choir director during our time of staff transition.

Thank you to the members of the St. Alban's Altar Guild and Flower Guild for their tireless efforts beautifying the church and enriching our worship experience.

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Together We...*Gather to Worship, Scatter to Serve, Love Like Jesus*



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