Happy Easter, Reconcilers! Join us for Coffee Hour after the 10:30 service!



10:30

March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday

WELCOME to all visitors and guests this morning. We are happy you are here to worship with us. If you want to know more about the Church of Reconciliation, please email info@cor-satx.org to receive our weekly e-mail.

- Assisted listening devices and large-print bulletins are available in the church narthexes.
- All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.
- If you would prefer to receive Communion at your seat instead of at the rail, please let an usher know.
- Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

The Easter Egg Hunt!!

TODAY after the 10:30 service kids through 4th grade are invited to bring their Easter baskets and join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! This is a time for LOTS of fun and CANDY as well as giving back to our community.

Here is how it works: Children 4th grade and younger will meet outside and gather eggs which have a coin in them. After they have collected their eggs, they will bring them to the Giving Table and can choose which charity they want to donate their coins to. After that, they will receive an Easter basket filled with a toy and candy. There are two groups of children (4 and under; 5 through 4th grade). Parents, please accompany your children.

IMPORTANT:

- 4 years old and under: Meet outside the south Narthex after the 10:30 service. Bring your own baskets for gathering eggs.
- **5 years old through 4**th **grade:** Meet on the Labyrinth after the 10:30 service. Bring your own baskets for gathering eggs.

For our older kids, please join us in the Rec Room for our traditional CANDY BUFFET!

ABODE Art Show and Sale

Join us in Brown Hall for two events:

- Opening Reception with Silent Auction, 5-8 pm – Saturday, April 6
- Brunch Show with Silent Auction Finale, 10am-1 pm – Sunday, April 7

More details at abodehome.org/art.

Featured Reconcilers include Cynthia Murray for Roy Murray, Edwin Sasek, Patsy Sasek, and E. Gordon West.

Catering by Frankie Boone with wines from Scout & Cellar. Please RSVP to info@abodehome.org – to help ABODE with their catering numbers.

<u>Next Dinner Dames:</u> Join us on 26 April from 6-8 pm at Stone Werks in Lincoln Heights, 999 E Basse Rd. RSVP using the Wed. email or email Jude at <u>jude@corsatx.org</u>.

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00am - Holy Eucharist (no music)
10:30am - Holy Eucharist (livestreamed, with music)

Church Office Closure

Our church office will be closed from April 1-5. We will have Sunday services as usual. Please contact a staff member if you have a pastoral emergency.

Campus Care Day - Saturday, April 6, 2024 9:00am-12:00pm

Please come and enjoy the fellowship while helping to spruce up our campus, courtyard, and grounds. Bring your yard and garden equipment.

We need lots of volunteers! We also need "food" providers (sandwiches, chips, veggies, cookies, drinks, etc.) to "feed the troops." If you have any questions, call Bill Swann at the office: (210) 655-2731.

Please RSVP if you plan to come, to help us know how much food and drinks we need!

Bring A Can or Two For the Pantry!

Our little free pantry has been a blessing for those who are food insecure in our neighborhood and beyond. We thank our pantry partners who faithfully stock the pantry once a month on their assigned day. The pantry is often quickly emptied. If all Reconcilers could look into their own pantries and bring just one non-perishable food item, book, or personal care item, we could keep it stocked for even longer! Please consider doing so. You may drop off your donations directly to the pantry, or to the box in Brown Hall.

This year's Easter flowers and music are given by:

Bob Buchanan: In loving memory of my wife, Sally Buchanan, Dr. Jack Matthews, and Sara M. Matthews.

Priscilla Coppock: In thanksgiving for the lives of Robert Woody, Margo Swann, and Ron Williams.

Eddie Cox: To the glory of God.

India Forrester

Patrick Gahan+: The Easter flowers are Given to the Glory of God and in Memory of Robert Woody, a friend and an exemplary priest. The Easter Music is Given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for my wife Kay and our forty-eight wonderful years of marriage.

Rodney Gray: In memory of Jean Henry Gray.

Bobby and Christine Hausser: For all of God's creatures.

Mark and Kay Mangus: In thanksgiving for God's blessings upon our family and for Kimberly's celebration of 42 years of life against all odds.

Marise Melson: In thanks for Cindy Sanchez.

Roxie Montesano: In memory of my husband, George Beddingfield, and my first partner, Barry Smith.

Luis and Sue Navarro: In thanksgiving for the community of Church of Reconciliation.

Ed and Sally Reischling: We wish all our fellow Reconcilers a joyous Easter celebration.

Parker and Suzanne Scott: To the glory of the early disciples for spreading the good news of Jesus Christ.

Joe Smith and Thad Robertson: In thanksgiving for our Reconciliation community.

Aileen Valle: In loving memory of my husband, John Ruelas.

Joan and Gordon West: In thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren, and our wonderful church family.

Julie, Seth, and Sam Woody: In loving memory of Robert Woody with gratitude for all the love he poured out on his family, the Reconciliation community, and the world.

THE OPENING MEDITATION

THE PROCESSION AND OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ is Risen Today Hymnal #207

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant: 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray. O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of

the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Lector: A Reading from Isaiah.

Isaiah 25:6-9 Read by Laureen Cate

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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's mercy endures forever; Let the house of Israel say: "God's mercy endures forever. *Refrain*

The hand of the Lord has struck with power; God's right hand is exalted, I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord. *Refrain*

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, the Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes. *Refrain*

THE EPISTLE *Lector*: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Read by Sidney Burnette

I would ramind you brothers and sisters, of the good naws that I proclaimed

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.

Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Bells.

Cantor: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Bells.

Congregation: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL John 20:1-18

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

BRIEF MEDITATION (sung)

SERMON Fr. Phil Mason

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith together.

All: 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

Read by Priscilla Coppock

Intercessor:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, David our Bishop, Phil, our priest, Jennifer, our seminarian, and all other ministers of the church; Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for creation. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, so that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray especially for wisdom and discernment for our rector search committee.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those from our parish family: Kimberly, Garnet, Kes, John, Carolyn, Kevin, Tiffany, Jeffrey, Marilyn, Suzanne, Art, Kathy, Hall, Pat, Daniel, Joel, Lori, Linda, Jill, Cathleen, Bette, Audie, Bob, Emmet, Fernanda, David, Roger, Pat, Greg, and Michael, and those we name either silently or aloud (silence is then kept for a time); give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially those we name either silently or aloud (silence is then kept for a time); that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant reads the concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence
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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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.**

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

(The people exchange greetings)

THE GATHERING HYMN

Dona nobis pacem

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy birthday to:

Denise Lyons	4/1
Erika Hizel	4/2
Julie Woody	4/2
Julia Moneer	4/5
Joanne Murphy	4/5

Milestones

Randy and Jean Fitschen are celebrating 64 years of marriage on April 2nd.

If you would like your birthday, anniversary, or other milestone mentioned here, please email <u>info@cor-satx.org</u>.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing by Ralph Vaughan Williams

THE DOXOLOGY Old 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name: (Bells)

Celebrant and People (sung)

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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.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." (Bells)

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." (Bells)

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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. **AMEN.** (Bells)

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Pulkingham

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, Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *The people respond:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God, holy gifts for holy people. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

COMMUNION MUSIC

His Eye is on the Sparrow Ain-a that Good News Edward Lee Jones, Soloist

Come Away to the Skies With One Voice #669

THE GREETING AT THE RAIL

At the rail, pass the following greeting to your neighbor.

Greeting: Christ is risen. Response: He is risen indeed.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN

The Day of Resurrection Hymnal #210

THE DISMISSAL

The Priest dismisses the people saying:
Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

The People Respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Elementary Ministry:

Ages: 4 years old through 4th Grade

Sunday School from 9:15-10:20 a.m.

Rec Middle School Ministry:

• Ages: 5th Grade thru 8th Grade

 Middle School Faith Formation/Sunday School: from 9:15-10:20 a.m.

 Middle School Youth Group: After the 10:30 service in the Rec Room

Rec High School Ministry:

• Ages: 9th-12th Grade

 High School Faith Formation/Sunday School: from 9:15-10:20 a.m. in Rec Room

• **High School Youth Group**: After the 10:30 service in the Rec Room Contact: Jude Castillo, Director of Children, Youth, and Families at jude@cor-satx.org

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Serving and Ministering This Sunday March 31, 2024

8:00

Verger: Ron Graham **Lector:** Ken Sullivan

Prayers of the People: Ken Sullivan

Chalice: Erica Valle

Intincter: Mercedes Zamudio

Altar Guild: Team III (Priscilla Coppock

Team)

Usher: Roxie Montesano

<u>10:30</u>

Verger: Ron Graham Thurifer: Lou Navarro Livestream: Erica Valle

Lectors: Laureen Cate, Sidney Burnette **Prayers of the People:** Priscilla Coppock

Intincter: April Toman Chalice: Timothy Webber

Acolytes: Lincoln Gwin, Forest Gwin Altar Guild: Team III (Priscilla Coppock

Team)

Ushers: Mike Moneer (lead), Mark Thomas,

Bruce Flohr

Greeters: April Toman (lead), Priscilla

Coppock

Breakfast: Continental

Coffee Hour: Brandi Simpson, Katheryn

and Eddie Cox

Children, Youth, and Families We have an awesome Youth Group! Thank

you for making our first Tech Day a success! We have had several ask if we are going to do another so stay tuned.

Middle/High School Update: No Religious

Education on Easter Sunday

Elementary Sunday School Update: No Religious Education on Easter Sunday

Exercise Class

Stretching, balance, tai chi every Wednesday and Friday at 10am in Alban classroom. Contact Jude at jude@corsatx.org with questions.

Use this QR code to make a donation to Rec via PayPal.

