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**THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
CELEBRATION OF GOD'S CREATION
APRIL 30, 2017 - 9:00 & 11:15 A.M.
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II**



Welcome to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

If you are visiting us for the first time, let us offer you an especially warm welcome. We hope that you will enjoy worshipping with us. If at any moment in the service you are not sure what to do, ask any of your neighbors in the congregation—they will be happy to help you. We would like to continue our relationship with you, so please fill out a visitor card (found in the pew racks and on the back tables) and drop the card in the collection plate or hand it to one of the clergy or ushers following the service. Yellow "welcome" bags are available from greeters in the sanctuary narthex and lobby of the parish hall for all newcomers.

Children are loved and welcomed at St. Margaret's

While children are always welcome at all services, **professional nursery care** for ages 0-4 is lovingly provided from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Nursery (downstairs in the Annex building connected to the church). Please ask an usher for assistance in locating the Nursery. We provide **Sunday School** and formation for both adults and children for ages 3 and up on Sunday mornings from 10:20-11 a.m. Please ask an usher for assistance in finding a class this morning. You are also invited to coffee and goodies in the Parish Hall.

Communion

All are welcome to receive bread and wine during communion, including children. To receive bread, place your hands palms-up at the communion rail. To receive wine, assist the Eucharistic Minister in guiding the chalice to your lips or you may intinct by dipping the bread in the wine. If you do not wish to receive the bread or wine, place your arms across your chest and you will receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available for communion. Indicate your wish for a gluten-free wafer by first extending your hands palms down when at the communion rail. The square wafers are kept in a separate holder and you are invited to take one from this holder.

Welcome Statement

The St. Margaret's community consists of many fibers knitted together over three centuries. Our table has seated meager farmers, plantation owners, reluctant rebels, agents of the Crown, enslaved persons and slave holders. Our leadership includes partnered, married, single, widowed and divorced Christians. We welcome in love persons of every race, gender, culture, sexual orientation and gender identification. All people have a sacred worth and the fabric of St. Margaret's grows stronger with each new thread. It wraps in comfort the shoulders of the defeated and the hurt and has been raised as a banner to celebrate God's transforming wholeness in our midst. We welcome you to be part of our fabric which will grow for centuries to come.

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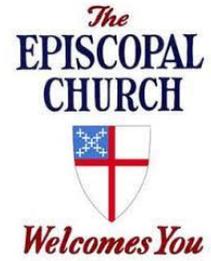
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PRELUDE

The people stand as able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All creatures of our God and king

Lasst uns erfreuen



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O___ sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

OPENING PRAYERS

Celebrant: Blessed be the Lord God, Author of all Creation.

People: **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Celebrant: God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world, the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy: Open our souls to the wonders of creation and teach us to manage faithfully the riches of this good earth, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O heavenly Father, who has filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness. For the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

FIRST LESSON

Job 12:7-10

A reading from the book of Job.

“But ask the animals, and they will teach you; the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you; and the fish of the sea will declare to you. Who among all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? In the Lord’s hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 96 (*said responsively by half-verse*)

- 1 O sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.

- 3 Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.
- 4 For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but the Lord made the heavens.
- 6 Honor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the Lord in holy splendor;
tremble before him, all the earth.
- 10 Say among the nations, "The Lord is king!
**The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.
He will judge the peoples with equity."**
- 11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- 12 let the field exult, and everything in it.
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy.
- 13 before the Lord; for he is coming,
for he is coming to judge the earth.
**He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth.**

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:19-25

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; For the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as able.

As the Gospel moment approaches, and the book is processed and the music plays, everyone turns and reorients themselves to face where the Gospel is, for the teachings of Jesus reorient our lives towards Him, and at this moment, we become the Jesus Movement. –Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

SEQUENCE HYMN

Now the green blade riseth

Noël Nouvelet



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



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 lain,
thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,



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:



Refrain
Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

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GOSPEL

Mark 4:30-32

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

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

Jesus said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people may be seated.

SERMON

Jodi Rose, Executive Director
Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon.

The people stand as able.

NICENE CREED

Celebrant

Let us profess our faith together.

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader

We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the grandeur of all that you have made, saying

We thank you, God.

For the healing waters of creation, which bring pleasure and health, purity and life,

We thank you, God.

For the richness of the good Earth that brings forth fruits and flowers, a pleasure to taste and a joy to behold,

We thank you, God.

For the soaring birds of the air, the crawling creatures on the Earth, the gliding fishes in the seas, for all creatures great and small with whom we share this precious web of life,

We thank you, God.

For the invigorating sunlight of day, the deepening mystery of night, the wonder of the stars, and the call of the unknown in the universe,

We thank you, God.

From heedless misuse and dishonoring of the wonders of your hand,

Good Lord deliver us.

From squandering resources, abusing our companion species, and polluting the habitat we all share,

Good Lord deliver us.

From the folly of imagining ourselves free from the fate of your whole creation,

Good Lord deliver us.

For the courage and wisdom to confess how little we have cared for your gifts,

Strengthen us, O Spirit.

For the conviction that you have called us to love and restore the Earth,

Strengthen us, O Spirit.

For repentance and the determination to begin our stewardship anew,

Strengthen us, O Spirit.

Celebrant

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever, **Amen.**

It is customary to omit the Confession of Sin during the season of Easter.

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with the Peace and are seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY COMMUNION

The people remain seated while offertory music is played, and bread and wine are brought to the altar. An offering of gifts is collected, and along with the bread and wine, they are presented to God as thanksgiving for the blessings poured out onto us. Our gifts: bread, wine, music and money, become sacramental in God's economy.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Laudamus Te
St. Margaret's Chorale

Vivaldi

(You may use this QR code to connect to our online giving site with your cell phone.)



GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people stand as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift 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.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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:

SANCTUS

Matthias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Margaret and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

People and Celebrant

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Pascha Nostrum

Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The people are seated.

Celebrant

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

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COMMUNION ANTHEM

Song of the Tree of Life
St. Margaret's Chorale

Vaughn Williams

COMMUNION HYMN

Fairest Lord Jesus

St. Elizabeth

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of
 2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,
 bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
 twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

The people stand as able.

SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

On some Sundays, we send out Eucharistic visitors to deliver the sacrament to those who cannot be with us. This is the prayer we use to send them on their way.

Celebrant

In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, to (N.) that they may share with us in the sacrament of our Savior Jesus Christ.

People

We who are many are One Body, because we all share one Bread, and one Cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Gracious God,

you have given us this holy bread and wine,

and the precious presence of your Son

who transfigures and redeems all that we have broken and lost.

Send us out now to care for this fragile earth, our home.

Grant us the will to transform the irreverent ways we live,

and the saving presence of your Son, Jesus Christ,

who goes before us and calls us into this world you love.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit be honor and glory,

now and forever, Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant

May we share with all in need and so be good stewards of God's earth and its abundance. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

HYMN

God, who stretched the spangled heavens

Holy Manna



1 God, who stretched the span - gled hea - vens in - fi - nite in
 *2 Proud - ly rise our mod - ern ci - ties, state - ly build - ings,
 3 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child - hood
 4 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal - lenge



time and place, flung the suns in burn - ing ra - diance
 row on row; yet their win - dows, blank, un - feel - ing,
 of our race; known the ec - sta - sy of wing - ing
 us a - new, chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose,



through the si - lent fields of space: we, your chil - dren
 stare on can - yoned streets be - low, where the lone - ly
 through un - trav - eled realms of space; probed the se - crets
 serv - ing o - thers, hon - oring you. May our dreams prove



in your like - ness, share in - ven - tive powers with you;
 drift un - no - ticed in the ci - ty's ebb and flow,
 of the at - om, yield - ing un - im - ag - ined power,
 rich with prom - ise, each en - deav - or well be - gun:



Great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing,
 lost to pur - pose and to mean - ing,
 fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion
 Great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance



show us what we yet may do.
 scarce - ly car - ing where they go.
 or our most tri - um - phant hour.
 till our goals and yours are one.

DISMISSAL

Priest Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Eucharistic Ministers:	9:00 A.M.	Terry Otis, Elizabeth Bowers
Lectors:	9:00 A.M.	Joe Dincau, Pam Roth
Acolytes:	9:00 A.M.	Sunny Bowers, Jackson Lunsford-Poe, Annabella and Luke Mejia, Katherine Parker
Children's Chapel	9:00 A.M.	Jennifer Albanese, Ernie Tucker
Eucharistic Ministers:	11:15 A.M.	Janis Brewer, Peg Overton
Lectors:	11:15 A.M.	Edith Edson, Izzy Winn
Acolyte:	11:15 A.M.	Julia Drooff
Coffeehour Hosts:	Judy Hall, Lynne Killam, Jennifer Albanese, Heide Ruegg	
Altar Guild:	Kirsten Tolley, Sandra Goldthwait, Alice Gillis	

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the wedding of Margaret Pratt Mayer and Gregory Richard Cusack yesterday.

Welcome Jodi Rose, Executive Director of Interfaith Partners of the Chesapeake

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Jodi graduated from the University of Illinois with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry and worked in the environmental consulting field for 15 years managing soil and groundwater remediation projects and running her own property due diligence consulting firm. As a volunteer in her Catholic parish in Indiana, she spearheaded several environmental and social justice programs that engaged fellow parishioners to live out their faith in action. It was during this time that Jodi felt a strong calling to work at the intersection of faith and environment. Shortly after relocating to Rockville, she became the ED of IPC and grew the organization's influence on watershed restoration action in Maryland. She is married and has two teenage boys.



UTO OFFERING



The United Thank Offering is a personal and family devotional program of The Episcopal Church. It is a practice in our life in Christ that begins with daily prayers and gifts of thanksgiving. These gifts of thanksgiving – coins and bills dropped in the UTO Blue Box – from each man, woman, and child are combined with others at parish and diocesan celebrations and finally within all of The Episcopal Church. The Offerings totaling nearly \$3 million each year are given away in the form of grants. These grants continue to support and strengthen the mission and ministry of the Church throughout the world. Every penny of the Offerings is allocated each year for granting.

Our St, Margaret's Guild will be collecting these offerings either in the designated box in the narthex or in the collection plate over the next two weeks.

The United Thank Offering Prayer

Gracious God, source of all creation, all love, all true joy: accept, we pray, these outward signs of our profound and continuing thankfulness for all of life. Keep each of us ever thankful for all the blessings of joy and challenge that come our way. Bless those who will benefit from these gifts through the outreach of the United Thank Offering. This we ask through Him who is the greatest gift and blessing of all, Jesus Christ. Amen.

