

They brought their scented spices
 To anoint the hallowed dead
 But found, to their amazement
 The living Lord instead
 Their hearts were heavy-laden
 Bowed down with deep despair
 But when they lifted tear-dimmed
 eyes
 Lo Jesus was standing there.

On that wonderful Easter morning
 In a garden sweet with dew
 He came from the grave – a world
 to save
 To live and reign anew.
 So often in the midst of sorrows
 When hope seems cold and dead
 With lifted eyes, we, too may
 See, an empty tomb instead.

Fr. Hugh+

GOOD NEWS OUTREACH MINISTRY – Please remember to bring a food item from the following list: boxed pasta, grits, oatmeal, snacks, broths, soups, spices, baking mixes, flour, sugar, canned fruits & fruits cups. Place food in food gift box in Parish hall. We will bring forward the parish's gifts of food at the offertory the first Sunday each month giving thanks and asking God's blessing upon those who will receive them.

Suggested daily Readings for Easter Week: April 22 – April 27

Mon.	Exod. 12:14-27	Psalms 66	Mark 16:1-8
Tue.	Exod. 12:28-39	Psalms 111, 114	Mark 16:9-20
Wed.	Exod. 12:40-51	Psalms 115	Matt. 28:1-16
Thurs.	Exod. 13:3-10	Psalms 148, 149	Matt. 28:16-20
Fri.	Exod. 13:1-2, 11-16	Psalms 118	Luke 24:1-12
Sat.	Exod. 13:17 – 14:4	Psalms 104	Mark 12:18-27

Please note that every third Sunday the open collection will go towards the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Please join us in the Parish Hall where breakfast will be served at the conclusion of the class by the Men of the Church.

Annual DOK/ECW Spring Retreat will take place at the Episcopal Camp & Conference Center from April 26-28, 2019. The Reverend Ann Bowers will be the speaker. You can register on-line: <https://campweed.campbrainregistration.com> or call 904-728-9439.

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Easter Sunday
April 21, 2019
10:00 a.m.



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From the Rector's Desk

He is Risen!

The Acts of the Apostles record that the Apostle Paul encountered the Risen Christ on the road to Damascus, accounting for his eventual conversion. Paul reflecting on that experience, recalls how he heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? "Who are you Lord? Paul asked. The answer came, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting." It is rather interesting that when he wrote about this encounter in his letter to the church at Corinth, he abandoned the dramatic language of Acts, and instead wrote, "Last of all, as to one untimely form, he (Jesus) appeared also to me." Undoubtedly, this was for Saul (Paul) a rather humbling and some say, humiliating moment in his life; but one that never-the-less proved pivotal for him. Think about it, Saul (Paul) has set out from Jerusalem with authority to arrest all the professing Christians he found there at Damascus, and to bring them back in chains. He did get to Damascus, but as a totally different individual after his encounter with the Risen Christ. We easily remember from scripture how zealous he was as a Pharisee, how self-righteous he appeared and how apparently knowledgeable he was, yet all of that suddenly became unimportant, after he had experienced the Risen Christ. In that moment Saul (Paul) realized that Jesus was alive and that he had truly been raised from the dead – the believers were right when they proclaimed – He is Risen.

That was Paul's story – what is ours? This Easter the church invites us to encounter again the Risen Christ as we worship Him. Our services leading up to today including our mid-week gatherings, did not have a lot of drama, but hopefully they did help us get to a clearer understanding of our shared faith. I pray that we are all more convicted than when we began this journey, forty days ago, and we can say with all our hearts, as the early church believers did, "He lives and dies no more."

On behalf of Genevieve, the girls and Daniel, let me wish you and your loved ones, a Happy and Holy Easter. Let me close by sharing one of the best resurrection poems I have ever come across – An Empty Tomb Instead.

They came to the quiet garden
In the early morning gloom
And there in the shadowed darkness
They found an empty tomb

They thought all hope had ended
With Calvary' dying breath
But they found a powerful
Savior, triumphant over death

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SPECIAL PRAYERS

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Capital Campaign Prayer

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

THANK YOU – Everyone is encouraged to remain behind following the Easter Service for our pot luck fellowship, while the children enjoy the Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

African American Genealogy Gathering in the Brooks Room from 2:30 – 4:00 pm. today.

April 23 – Said Mass at 12:15 p.m. (Contemplative Eucharist).

April 23 – Fourth Tuesday Dinner at Grace Mission from 5-7:15 pm. Please be there no later than 5:00 pm. Contact Delois Brown at 850-274-8490 or Chenikka Usher at 502-432-5467 to sign up.

April 25 – Healing Service at 12:15 pm.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – Bible Study Group meets Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Brooks Room. The readings for this Wednesday will be Acts 5:27-32, Revelation 1:4-8 and John 20:19-31.

CHOIR NEWS – There will be rehearsal every Sunday morning before Service at 9:15 a.m.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

April 30 – Said Mass at 12:15 pm (Contemplative Eucharist).

May 1 – Bible Studies at 6:00 pm in the Brooks Room.

May 1 – First Wednesday Supper at the Kearney Center at 6:30 pm.

May 2 – Healing Service at 12:15 pm.

May 5 – Discipleship Gathering at 1:00 pm in the Brooks Room.

May 6 – Vestry Meeting at 6:00 pm. in the Brooks Room.

Serving today Sunday, April 21

Acolytes:
 Pro Hruda, **MC**
 Tyler Sams, **Thurifer**
 Omar Mongerie, **Boat Boy**
 Colton Wasson, **Torch Bearer**
 Hollis Sams, **Torch Bearer**
 Quinton Laurie, **Crucifer**
 Collin Laurie, **Gospel Book Bearer**

Chalice Bearers: James Fort, Laureatte Scott
Lectors: Margaret Edwards, Ivana Kenny Carmola
 Joseph Sams
Greeters: Lauren Sapp, Edith Onyeozili
Ushers: Edith Onyeozili, Dourest Robinson
Vestry: Henry Okafor
Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand
Second Acolyte, Camille Usher
Second Acolyte, Claire Wasson

Serving next Sunday, April 28

Acolytes:
 Pro Hruda, **Crucifer**
 Charles Hruda, **Torch Bearer**
 Quinton Laurie, **Torch Bearer**
 Collin Laurie, **Gospel Book Bearer**

Chalice Bearers: Pro Hruda, Alexis McMillan
Greeters: Elizabeth Humes, Chenikka Usher
Ushers: Elizabeth Humes, Chenikka Usher
Vestry: Edith Onyeozili
Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

April Altar Guild:

Elizabeth Humes and All Altar Guild Members

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE AND HEALING



Jean Hyche-Jackson, Jo Ann Robinson, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Eugene Wesley, Rosalyn Greene, Rose Douglas, Jewel Robinson, Williema Jackson, Carl Murray, Sam and Sharal Jigger, Rudolph Hinds, Cynthia Hinds, Alexes Parker, Robert Roulac, Karen Hardy Clark, Ella Woodbury, Charles Daniels, Joseph Gentle, Brandi Leland, Kenrick Baynes, Jessie Laurel, Hattie Olivia Scott, Ella Brown Albright, Catherine Rand, Richard Corpening, Clifford Willabus, ,Mecie White, Barbara Lee, Sharon Carr, Sam Oliver Sr., Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Ariel Boyd, Lora Rose Hunter-Dargan, John McClees, Jonecia Brown, , Toni Jarmon, Kaleb Way ,Randolph Frazier Jr., Nohemy Reid, Kanasha Cole, Sharon Thomas, Evelyn McKetty, Maryann Nottage, Scott Allen, Alexis Lamber, Denny Cooper, Bishop Samuel Johnson, Steve Babcock, Kim Way, Tinley Toner & family, Aroka Worrell, Simone McDaniel, Zuri, Tamara Brown, James Manning, Marva Davis, Carolyn Broadbent and Brianne Edwards and Gregory Walker.



**SOLEMN HIGH MASS
 HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO**

Instrumental Prelude Debralee LaSeur-Helfand, Organist
Zackary Mighty, Trumpet

Choral Prelude **A279**, Angel rolled the stone away Rolled The Stone

Opening Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly thine, utterly dedicated unto thee; and then use us, we pray thee, as thou wilt, and always to thy glory and the welfare of thy people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn **H207**, Jesus Christ is risen today *Easter Hymn*

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation **355**

The Collect of the Purity

Gloria **L243**, Glory, Glory, Hallelujah Haywood

Collect for Easter

The Lessons Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (sung)

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Gradual Hymn **H210, v 1** The Day of Resurrection! *Ellacombe*

The Holy Gospel John 20:1-18 The Reverend Hugh Chapman

Sequence Hymn **H210, v 2-3**

The Sermon The Reverend Hugh Chapman

The Nicene Creed **358**

The Prayers of the People Form III **387**

Confession of Sin and Absolution **360**

The Peace **H712**, Dona Nobis Pacem *Dona Nobis Pacem*

Children Program

Liturgical Dance *Ms. Pennela Chapman*

Offertory Antiphon for Easter

Dale Grotenhuis, Trumpet

Doxology & Procession **L56**, Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow Hatton

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presentation Hymn	L214 , God Is So Good	Traditional
The Great Thanksgiving		361
Sanctus	Holy, Holy, Holy	Wesley
The Lord’s Prayer	L267 , Lord’s Prayer	Rochard
Fraction Anthem	L268 , Christ our Passover	McLin
	L270 , Lamb of God	Landsmark-DeLewis

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 1	H178 , Alleluia, Alleluia!	<i>Alleluia</i>
Communion Hymn 2	H184 , Christ the Lord is risen again	<i>Christ ist erstandem</i>
Meditation Hymn		
Post Communion Prayer		365
Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers		
Announcements		
Special Address by Edward Ornstein (Brooks Society).		
Benediction		
Recessional Hymn	H208 , The Strife is O’er	<i>Victory</i>
Choral Postlude	Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah	Handel
Dismissal		

A=African American Hymnal (ivory)
H=1982 Hymnal (blue)
L=Lift Every Voice & Sing Hymnal (black, green, red)

Evangelism Workshop

The monthly activity is planned for both Jacksonville and Tallahassee with the first session scheduled April 23, 2019 at Holy Comforter Church. Gathering time is 7:00 pm. All are invited.

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

*We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.***

OUR VISION is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

OUR MISSION is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.



HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God’s blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

Congratulations

Tashi Williams is now an Alpha Man – and we congratulate him today. At a recent ceremony he received his Alpha Jacket and he was sponsored by our own Fr. Lawton Thomas

Thought of the Week

Life is a miracle and every breath we take is a gift.

