

Easter Sunrise Service
97th year



April 5, 2026
6:00 AM

**Saint Andrews-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church,
Hyannis Port**

The Greeting

The Rev. Stephen A. Trimble

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

Call to Worship (all)

The Rev. Pam Wannie

Leader: Praise God. He brings life out of death and hope out of despair.

All: Praise God. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: Praise God. He gathers the fragments of human discouragement and offers new possibilities.

All: God does excellent actions. He comforts his people. He gives victory to us.

The Invocation (all)

Pastor Dave McPherson

Holy Spirit, we ask you to encourage us to worship God, to thank Jesus, and to be aware of your presence. You help us to be aware that Jesus has defeated death, has forgiven us, and has offered us grace. Help us to be filled with joy on this day, Resurrection Day.

***The Hymn**

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

*Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!*

*Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!*

*Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!*

*Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!*

The Scripture

Matthew 26:26-30

The Rev. Jacky Johnson

The Message

“The Purpose of Easter”

The Rev. Jacky Johnson

***The Hymn**

“Morning Has Broken”

*Morning has broken, Like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken, Like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them springing Fesh from the word.
Praise for them springing Fresh from the word.*

*Sweet the rain's new fall, Sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dew fall On the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness Of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness Where His feet pass.*

*Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, Praise every morning,
God's re-creation Of the new day!*

The Poem

The Rev. Pamela Wannie

*i thank You God for most this amazing
day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees
and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything
which is natural which is infinite which is yes*

*(i who have died am alive again today,
and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth
day of life and of love and wings: and of the gay
great happening illimitably earth)*

*how should tasting touching hearing seeing
breathing any—lifted from the no
of all nothing—human merely being
doubt unimaginable You?
(now the ears of my ears awake and
now the eyes of my eyes are opened) ~ e.e. cummings*

The Prayer

Pastor Dave McPherson

The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Pastor Dave McPherson

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 forever. Amen.

***The Hymn**

“Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

*1 Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise.
Jesus on the cross as Savior For the world's salvation bled;
But the crucified Redeemer Now is risen from the dead!*

*2 Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to life is born;
Glorious life, and life immortal, On this holy Easter morn;
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer By God's liberating deed;
Now the Christ with us abiding To eternal life shall lead.*

*3 Christ is risen, we are risen; Shed upon us heav'nly grace,
Rain and dew, and gleams of glory From the brightness of Your face;
That we, with our hearts in heaven, Here on earth may fruitful be,
And by angel hands be gathered, And be Yours eternally.*

*4 Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory to the God of joy;
Alleluia to the Savior Who came death's bonds to destroy;
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.*

The Affirmation of Faith

Leader: He is Risen!

ALL: He is Risen indeed!

The Rev. Stephen Trimble

***The Benediction**

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The Rev. Stephen A. Trimble, First Baptist Church, North Attleborough

The Rev. Jacky Johnson, First Baptist Church, Hyannis

The Rev. Pamela Wannie, First Baptist Church, Hyannis

Pastor Dave McPherson, The Federated Church of Hyannis