



*Alleluia!*

*Christ is risen!*

*The Lord is risen indeed!*

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*The Third Sunday of Easter*

*April 26, 2020*

### Online Worship

#### Opening Hymn

*He is risen*

Hymnal #180

*He is risen, he is risen! Tell it out with joyful voice:*

*He has burst his three days' prison; let the whole wide earth rejoice:*

*Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory!*

**Opening Acclamation:** Alleluia. Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

#### Gloria

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**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

#### Collect of the Day

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

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **The First Lesson: A Reading from the Book of Acts [2:14a, 36-41]**

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

### **Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17: *Dilexi, quoniam***

*You may read the psalm together, or you may take turns alternating between the plain and bold text.*

- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
**because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.**
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
**I came to grief and sorrow.**
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: \* **"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."**
- 10 How shall I repay the LORD \* **for all the good things he has done for me?**
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \* **and call upon the Name of the LORD.**
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \* **in the presence of all his people.**
- 13 Precious in the sight of the LORD \* **is the death of his servants.**
- 14 O LORD, I am your servant; \*  
**I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;**  
**you have freed me from my bonds.**
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \* **and call upon the Name of the LORD.**
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \* **in the presence of all his people,**
- 17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, \* **in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

### **The Holy Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke [24:13-35]**

#### **Glory to you Lord Christ**

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about

Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*Members of each household may take turns reading these prayers.*

In thanksgiving and praise for the beauty and abundance of our universe, let us pray to our gracious God, whose breath gives life to the world and whose voice is heard in the wind . . .

With thanksgiving for the gift of new life, and in hope that our risen Savior may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection.

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the gift of the Good News, and in hope that the church may find new life in the joyful mystery of the resurrection, especially through the leadership of our Presiding Bishop Michael and our Bishop Douglas, our Interim Priest Judith, and all bishops, priests and deacons.

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the gift of this community and in hope that God may strengthen our bonds even while we must be apart, and guide us in preparing to call a new Rector

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the abundance we enjoy with our families and friends, and in hope that he may provide for those who are isolated and have lost their jobs and income.

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for our freedom and in hope that by his power, we may know who to respond to disease and famine through all the world,

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for our health and in hope that he may reveal the light of his presence to comfort and strengthen those who are weak in body and soul, especially to the victims of COVID-19 and their families and caregivers, and to those we name silently or aloud *Pause*

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the gift of eternal life, and in hope that he may enfold in his joyful presence those who have died, especially those who have died alone and those we name silently or aloud, *Pause*

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the gift of faith, and in hope that God may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection,

Let us pray to our Creator **in Christ our Risen Savior**

**Collect:**

O God, worker of wonders, you made this day for joy and gladness. Let the risen Lord abide with us always, set our hearts on fire, and open our eyes, so that we may see him at our tables, the Christ now entered into glory, firstborn from the dead. **Amen**

**Offertory Hymn:** *Baptized in water*

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*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:*

*Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now, God's praise we sing.*

**Holy Communion**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We have lifted them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of

promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and to give himself for us. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at the table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. As you do this, remember me. As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, he gave thanks, gave it to them, and said: Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, remember me.

Gathered in our own homes, as your children, we are made one body in Jesus Christ, Who came in love, lived in love, and died in love, who was and is and is to come. We share in offering our gifts of bread and wine, and we offer to you our lives. Pour out your Spirit upon this offering, that it may be for us the body and blood of Christ, drawing us together as one Spirit in you. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, **The Lord's Prayer**

*As the Priest breaks the consecrated bread, participants break their bread at home and say:*

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for in Christ we all share in the one bread, one cup**

*All share in communion.*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Christ, you are risen with the sun; you are light in our darkness. May we find our true place in your living body. May the new covenant through us bring healing and reconciliation to this wounded world. Alleluia! You are risen. We are risen with you. Praise and glory to the living God. Amen.**

### **Blessing:**

May the Spirit of God, who is above all and in all and through all, fill you with the knowledge of God's presence on Earth and the living Christ within you. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you always. **Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn**

*We know that Christ is raised*

Hymnal #296

*We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.*

*Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold*

*And our despair he turned to blazing joy.*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**Dismissal** Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**