



The Service of The Word

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORDER FOR CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

- Pastor* Even the obstacle of death has been removed between us and God. And so, if death no longer stands in our way, we can be sure that our sin does not either. So, we turn in hope to our Lord of love. Let us confess our sins remembering the mercy of our risen Lord.
- All* Lord, we have seen the empty tomb, and yet we sometimes act as if we have seen nothing. So, help us be people of resurrection life always. Fill our hearts with your promises, that we might turn from sin and be renewed. Knowing that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by the things we've done or left undone, we now humbly ask for your forgiveness and mercy.
- Pastor* Sisters and Brothers in Christ, hear the good news of the Gospel this day: the tomb is empty! Our Lord and Savior has risen from the grave! That which was dead is alive! No barrier, none whatsoever, can keep us from the love of God! And so, I announce to you this day that your sins are forgiven and that you are beloved. Believe and rejoice. In the name of the Father, ✝ the Risen Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- People* Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD CONTINUES

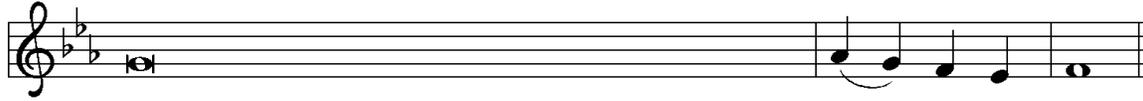
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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



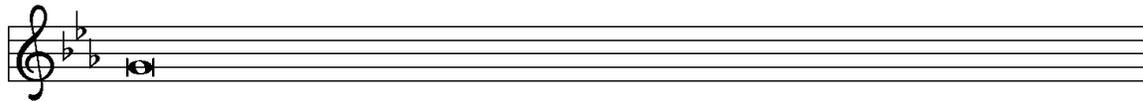
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



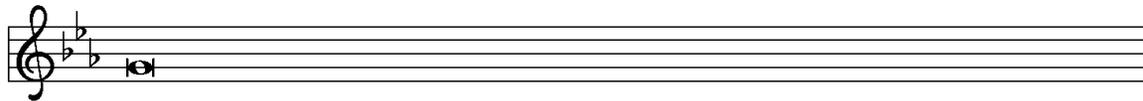
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.

Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Dave

Pastor O God, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:13-35

Pastor The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Saint Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

People Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now on that same day [when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene,] two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They

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stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then 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?" ¹⁹He 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, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But 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. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and 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. ²⁴Some 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." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But 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. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They 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?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

After the Lesson:

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE HOMILY

Pastor Dave

PROFESSION OF FAITH

(Read in Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

■ THE OFFERING ■

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Thank you for your support!

CHORAL ANTHEM

"In the Garden"

arr. Lloyd Larson

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THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Pastor O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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 and ever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

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1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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BLESSING & BENEDICTION

Pastor And now my friends, may the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and bring you everlasting joy. Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

People Amen.

POSTLUDE

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SPECIAL THANKS!

Thanks to the Houser, Fish, and Tuckfield families for providing food for a meal at the Lighthouse Shelter this past week. While under quarantine, we are unable to prepare the meal for the residents. The Lighthouse is asking that we provide the ingredients and they are preparing the meal. Many thanks!

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