

GOOD MORNING & WELCOME

Welcome to everyone joining us for worship this morning. Whether or not you consider yourselves members of this congregation, we are glad you are here. If the flow of worship should seem unfamiliar to you, relax and let God's presence envelop you, without a worry about when to stand, sit or kneel. If you are new to St. John's, please sign our guest register.

The Rev. Nathan Carr – Vicar
The Rev. William Font – Priest Associate
The Rev. Lisa Chronister – Deacon
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Victoria Moon – Nursery Attendant

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Cantor – Doug Rogez
Greeters / Oblationers – Pat Greaves and Mark Anderson
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The Third Sunday of Easter - Year B

Rite I - Holy Eucharist - April 14, 2024 - 10:15 AM

The Word of God

Prelude

Processional The Hymnal, #193

1 That Easter-tide with joy was bright, The sun shone out with fairer light, When, to their longing eyes restored, The Apostles saw their risen Lord.

2 He bade them see His Hands, His Side, Where yet the glorious wounds abide; O tokens true, which made it plain Their Lord indeed was risen again.

3 Jesu, the King of Righteousness, Do Thou Thyself our hearts possess, That we may give Thee all our days The tribute of our grateful praise.

4 O Lord of all, with us abide In this our joyful Easter-tide; From every weapon death can wield Thine own redeemed for ever shield.

5 All praise be Thine, O risen Lord, From death to endless life restored: All praise to God the Father be, And Holy Ghost eternally.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no

secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that he may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

∆men

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie The Hymnal, S91

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3X) Christ have mercy upon us. (3X) Lord, have mercy upon us. (3X)

Gloria The Hymnal, S204

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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 for ever. **Amen.**

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

The First Lesson Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4 Cum invocarem

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my **cause**; * you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my **prayer**.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my **glory**; * how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false **gods**?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the **faithful**; * when I call upon the LORD, he will **hear** me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not **sin**; * speak to your heart in silence upon your **bed**.
- 5 Offer the appointed **sacrifices** * and put your trust in the **LORD**.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better **times**!" * Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O **LORD**.
- 7 You have put gladness in my **heart**, * more than when grain and wine and oil **increase**.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; * for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

The Second Lesson 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

The Hymnal, #182

- 1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.
- 2. Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, he comes to claim the here and now and conquer every place and time.

- 3. Not throned above, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains, but daily, in the midst of life, our Savior with the Father reigns.
- 4. In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn or wealth divide, he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.

5. Christ is alive! His Spirit burns through this and every future age, till all creation lives and learns his joy, his justice, love, and praise.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Nathan Carr

The Nicene Creed BCP 327

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 of God, Light of 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 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 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

The Prayers of the People

Form I BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Poulson our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Joe our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Oklahoma City, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those on our prayer list, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially today we remember Father David Thomas and Margaret Brown, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

We Confess our Sins and Exchange the Peace

The Celebrant or Deacon says

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant may add sentences from scripture

Please stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Blessing Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace; strengthen their trust in your goodness, and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

Offertory Anthem Come Away to the Skies Allie Parker
St. John's Bell Choir

Come away to the skies,
My beloved arise
And rejoice in the day thou wast born,
On this festival day

come exulting away, and with singing to Zion return.

We have laid up our love and our treasures above, Though our bodies continue below; The redeem'd of the Lord shall remember His word, And with singing to Paradise go.

Hallelujah we sing
to our Father and King,
And His rapturous praises repeat;
To the Lamb that was slain,
Hallelujah again;
Sing all heaven,
And fall at his feet.
Hallelujah.

Doxology The Hymnal, #380 (verse 3)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I BCP 333

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus The Hymnal, #S114

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body withhim, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei The Hymnal, S158

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

BCP 337

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

We Share the Gifts of God

Holy Communion





Post Communion Prayer

BCP 339

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Sending Out of the Lay Eucharist Visitors

Celebrant or Deacon: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional The Hymnal, #492

- 1 Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness, wake your noblest, sweetest strain, with the praises of your Savior let his house resound again; him let all your music honor, and your songs exalt his reign.
- 2 Sing how he come forth from heaven, bowed himself to Bethlehem's cave, stooped to wear the servant's vesture, bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed within the gates of darkness, thence his banished ones to save.

Dismissal Response: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

3 So, he tasted death for mortals, he, of humankind the head, sinless one, among the sinful, Prince of life, among the dead; thus he wrought the full redemption, and the captor captive led.

4 Now on high, yet ever with us, from his Father's throne the Son rules and guides the world he ransomed, till the appointed work be done, till he see, renewed and perfect, all things gathered into one.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please hold these souls in your ongoing prayers:

Alex Judd Peter
Annette Karl Monte Pratt

Audrey Kate Savannah Prock and

Beverly Bradley Drew Kolb Family

BobRon KolbMathew ReynoldsBraidenSarah KramerKathleen RhodesSarah BrewerJean Ledet & ChadRob, Ruthie andMargaret BrownDixonSamuel

Lewis Honor Carr Gary and Kathleen Lee Adrienne Robertson

Nancy Carr Denys Lenets Sahar

Jeff Clemens Kelly Linton Scott Salladin

Kathie Clemens Kara Lynn Seth

Dana Collins Maria Betty Sinclair
Sue Collins Tony Marruchella John Steward and
Dana Leland Mayo Lee DeWitt
David Mike McCollom Martha Steward
Ed Sue McCollom Nancy Steward

Sharon Ellington Betty & Delbert Millican Susan

Eve and Ryan Lightfoot Sydney and Troy

Agatha Gasperoni Trish Morgan Tina

Myrna Gowman Christina Morris Tyler and Dru

John Greiner J Paul Mosier Vicki

Steve Hammontree Daniel Nash Donna Walters
Aimee Hanneman Jamie Nash Mary Jo Watson
Kimberly Hopper Joy Nelson Pat Westervelt
Dr. J Pam Gordon Welch

Jack Patty Will

Jessica Penny Ginny Wynn

Altar Gifts

Today's flowers and candle are given by Vivian and John Dewar. The candle in thanksgiving for their grandsons Tommy and Johnny. The flowers are in thanksgiving for their children Steve, Chris and Erika.

We need flowers for next week – Sunday, April 21. If you would like to remember someone on this date with a flower donation, please contact Nancy in the office.

Birthdays

14 – Kathleen Ferguson

16 - Daisy Leyva

18 – Sarah Tracy

19 – Stuart Chai

20 Camden Jackson

Announcements

Registration Now Open for Pilgrimage to England and Scotland. To register go to https://portal.myfaithjourneys.com/ and create an account. To be sure that you are registering for the correct group, use our group's code: 25005. Illustrated instructions on how to register are included in this week's Fab Friday, April 12 as well as on the table below the Pilgrimage bulletin board. This site is NOT mobile friendly and it is highly recommended that you register on your computer or tablet. For assistance, contact Nancy.

As announced last Sunday, we are working to **update our Prayer List**. Please review the list in this bulletin and **send information to Nancy by email** (<u>stjohnsokc@yahoo.com</u>) and include your name and the name of the person(s) you would like to add or remove. If you need to take care of this on a **Sunday**, **please give the information to Nancy IN WRITING** and again include your name and the name(s) of those you would like to update. My memory isn't at all what it was when I was 40.

Be on the Lookout for these Summer and Fall Events

- Saturday, May 11th, 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., **Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive**
- May 30th estimated date for groundbreaking on Phase II of St John's Park; construction to last approximately 30 days
- Memorial Day weekend end of childrens and youth Sunday schools
- June, July **Hickman Music School Camp Rock** 3 1-week sessions
- September Ministry Fun Fair; Sunday School resumes
- Sunday, October 6 Special guest priest, Fr. Malcolm Guite, to preach during two services that Sunday