

# St. James' Episcopal Church

April 30, 2017

## The Third Sunday of Easter

**Our mission is “*to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.*”**

**A warm welcome to visitors, tourists, seekers and doubters,  
immigrants, refugees, the lost and the found...and you!**

**We are glad you are here.**

Rite II, The Book of Common Prayer  
BCP= Book of Common Prayer (red), found in the Pew Rack  
Words are found either in the BCP, or are printed in this bulletin.  
Music is found either in the 1982 Hymnal (blue), or is printed in this bulletin.  
Music with an S- is found in the Service Music in the front of the hymnal  
*Please sit, stand or kneel as you are able.*

## **Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**

### **Prelude**

*He is Risen, He is Risen*

**W. Hiltsdren**

### **Opening Hymn**

*He is risen, he is risen!*

**Hymnal 180  
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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant 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.

### **Gloria**

**Hymnal S-278  
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### **The Collect of the Day**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you,

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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 for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lesson**

**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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17**

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**The Epistle**

**I Peter 1: 17-23**

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual**

**Taize Alleluia**

*Sung before and after the Gospel reading.*

## **The Gospel**

**Luke 24: 13-35**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke.

**People: 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.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Carol A. Mader**

## **The Nicene Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**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 from God, Light from 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 death 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 in 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**

Celebrant: 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 the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin, our Presiding Bishop, Michael, our Bishop, Wendell,  
and for all the clergy and people,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

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

For this city of Dexter, for the communities in which we live, for every city and  
community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth,  
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 or through outer space,  
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 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, 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.***

For \_\_\_\_\_, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses,  
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 St. James and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves,  
and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To you, O Lord our God.*

*Silence.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Announcements**

# **The Holy Communion**

## **The Offertory**

*Celebrant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God.

**Offertory Anthem**

*Christ is Risen, Shout Hosanna!*

**David Haas**

**Doxology** (*please stand*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
praise God all creatures here below,  
praise God above all heavenly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The people remain standing.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

**People We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing

## Sanctus

**LEVAS 255  
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*The Celebrant continues*

*(the people may stand or kneel)*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you.

You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he 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, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation  
this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit

and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints,  
past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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 pray

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymnal S-149**

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**The Breaking of the Bread**      *A period of silence is kept*

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*The Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**The Ministration of Communion**

*The Celebrant receives the Sacrament, and then immediately delivers it to the people. All baptized persons of any denomination are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the people with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

*The ushers will direct you to the altar area. You may receive both bread and wine or elect to receive the bread alone. Rice wafers are available for people with allergies. Receive the bread in your hand and guide the cup to your mouth. Place your arms across your chest if you do not wish to receive but would like to accompany your family. A blessing will be given.*

**Communion Hymn**      *One Bread, One Body*

**LEVAS 151**  
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*After Communion, the Celebrant says:*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People:*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Easter Blessing**

May Almighty God,  
who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord,  
bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life,  
make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer,  
bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and those you love,  
this day and always. **Amen.**

**The Dismissal**  
**People's Response :**

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Closing Hymn**

*Alleluia! The Strife is O'er*

**Hymnal 208**  
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**Postlude**

*Allegro in G Major*

**J.S. Bach**

**He is risen, He is risen!**

**Hymnal 180**

**Gloria**

**Hymnal S-280**

**Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17**

**Sanctus**

**Levas 255**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymnal S- 149**



**Alleluia! The strife is o'er**