

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

Preacher - The Reverend Bridget K. Tierney

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Children, Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to the Nursery for breakfast and the Good Shepherd Atrium for Christian Formation. They will join us in the cathedral at The Peace. An usher will be happy to assist you with directions.

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY - Prelude on "Down Ampney" (Come Down O Love Divine) Jan Bender

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #174 - At the Lamb's high feast we sing..... Salzburg

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER *Pascha Nostrum*



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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 FIRST LESSON ~ Acts 3:12-19

When Peter saw the astonishment of those who had seen the lame man healed, he 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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The choir sings

PSALM 4 *Cum invocarem*

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

Setting: George J. Elvey

THE SECOND LESSON ~ 1 John 3:1-7

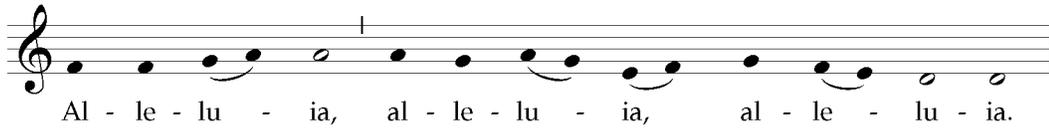
See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing

ALLELUIA & VERSE



V. Open our minds, O Lord to understand the scriptures;
make our hearts burn within us when you speak. [*Alleluia*]

THE GOSPEL ~ Luke 24:36b-48

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and their companions 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form III

Prayer Book, Page 387

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

ANTHEM

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought His Israel
Into joy from sadness;
'Tis the Spring of Souls today,
Christ hath burst His prison,
And from three days sleep in death
As a Sun hath risen.

Now the Queen of season's bright
With the day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feasts,
Comes its joy to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem,
Who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains
Jesu's Resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death
Nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
Hold Thee as a mortal;
But today amidst the twelve
Thou didst stand, bestowing
That Thy peace which evermore
Passeth human knowing.

Music: Sir Reginald Sparshatt Thatcher (1888-1957)

Text: St. John Damascene (676-749), Translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Please stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN #210 ~ The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad.....*Ellacombe*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ Eucharistic Prayer B

Prayer Book, Page 367

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, our Pass - o - ver, is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia.

THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.

To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.

ANTHEM

<p>Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain. Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.</p> <p>Forth he came at Easter like the risen grain. He that for three days in the grave had lain. Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.</p>	<p>In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain, Thinking that never he would wake again, Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.</p> <p>When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Thy touch can call us back to life again, Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.</p>
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Music: French traditional, Arr. Simon Lindley (b. 1948)
Text: John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958)

HYMN #193 ~ That Easter day with joy was bright *Puer nobis*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE SEASONAL BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #182 ~ Christ is alive! Let Christians sing..... *Truro*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY ~ Incantation pour un jour Saint (Chant for a Sacred Day).....Jean Langlais

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God
 in loving memory of Mary Marshall Roberts and Robert Roberts.*

Our thanks go to Marc Loudon for playing the organ this morning.

Please Join Us For Coffee Hour – Immediately following this service we gather in Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation; all are invited to attend. Use the exit at the front of the cathedral next to the organ pipes, turn left to access the hallway, and then follow the long hallway to the right; Stuart Hall is on the right. Guests are especially welcome!

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Alleluia

From *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated.

Mass (Sanctus, Christ our Passover)

Setting: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The choir sings Choral Evensong for Ascension Day, with a reception following, on Thursday, May 10 at 6:00 PM.

Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel - Please sign up today on the chart next to Stuart Hall, or for more information, contact Sandy Jackson - sditta@tulane.edu.

Please consider hosting Coffee Hour after a 10:00 AM Sunday Eucharist. This is a vital part of our ministry. The sign-up sheet is in Stuart Hall.

Spring Adult Education - "Early Christian Literature that didn't get into the New Testament"

"Twenty-seven books were accepted by the Church as the "New Testament." Many other books were written in the first century that didn't get into the approved scripture of the Church. Many of the 'non-canonical' texts were very much respected, but didn't make the cut; others were scurrilous and deserved to be 'thrown-aside.' In this offering we will read and discuss some of the 'good' books and some of the 'bad' books. The texts can be found in two readily available and very reasonably priced anthologies. The first is Cyril Richardson (ed.) *Early Christian Fathers* (Library of Christian Classics, vol. 1) and the second is *Lost Scriptures: The Books that did not Make it into the New Testament* (Bart Ehrman, ed). Both books are available from Amazon at less than \$10 each. The sessions will meet on Wednesday afternoons, April 18 and 25. There will also be a single day session on Saturday, April 28.

If you would like to read the Gospel on Pentecost in a language other than English, please speak with Lisa Sibal.

Gardeners meet every third Saturday of the month from 8am to 10am to beautify and maintain the gardens. The next gathering is scheduled for May 19. Everyone is invited. Your help is appreciated.

- Sunday, May 20 - The Day of Pentecost - Parish Picnic following the 10:00 Eucharist

The next opportunities for Baptism fall on Sundays in the Easter season through the Day of Pentecost at the 10:00 Eucharist. Please speak with Canon Roberts as soon as possible.

Welcoming Children at Christ Church Cathedral

Children at Christ Church Cathedral are an important part of our community. We welcome children of all ages and encourage their participation in worship services.

Members of the Cathedral

In keeping with the commitment we make at the time of baptism, all members play a part in the spiritual development of our youngest members. Participating in worship with children is one way to be involved in this process.

- Express your delight in having children in worship services.
 - Be sure to welcome families and children when you see them.
 - Free yourself from worry about children's behavior, be open to receiving their ministry to you and the Christ Church Cathedral community.
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April 15, 2018 – Easter 3 (B)
For Such a Time As This: Economic Opportunity Initiatives

The Episcopal Church and the ELCA continue our united call to Pray, Fast, and Act in support of policies and programs that provide opportunities for and respect the dignity of all people.

This month, our focus is on economic opportunity initiatives. Although the U.S. government facilitates a variety of programs, all too often families find it nearly impossible to break out of poverty. Many families work low-wage and low-skill jobs, yet still struggle to keep up with their needs.

The 2018 federal poverty level for a family of two—like a single parent with one child—is \$16,460. Sadly, many families are in this group of working poor. Though some individuals can work hard 40-hour weeks and 52-weeks a year, they still can be below the poverty line.

For example, a person working 40-hours a week and 52-weeks a year at the federal minimum wage would earn \$15,080 a year. These positions almost never provide paid vacation or sick time and often not even federal holidays, and not all are lucky enough to have consistent full-time work throughout the 52-week year. In Congressional testimony last month, the House Committee on Education and the Workforce heard that this working poor represent 80% of people receiving government assistance.

Education as a means of economic opportunity to increase wages and gain better employment is one means of helping this demographic gain upward mobility.

On April 21, join the EPPN and presiding bishops of The Episcopal Church and ELCA as we Pray, Fast, and Act for economic opportunity initiatives.

PRAY for the working poor of our nation, that while they fight to keep their families housed, fed, and clothed that we may fight to provide them with educational opportunities.

Almighty God, who hast so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* - *Book of Common Prayer* – Collect For Labor Day

FAST in solidarity with those who while they labor tirelessly still struggle to provide for themselves and their families. Help us remember that though they are working, they are unable to access education and training which would open greater opportunities to support themselves and their families.

ACT by studying the one-pager on the connection between economic opportunity, education, and poverty (available here: bit.ly/fsatapril). Then, on the 21st of April, write Congress and demand robust federal funding for educational programs from early childhood to adult and trade schools.

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THE WEEK OF APRIL 15, 2018

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, 1928 Prayer Book (Chapel)
9:45 AM Children's Christian Formation (Martin Room)
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)
11:15 AM Coffee Hour
6:00 PM REAL PRESENCE (Contemplative Holy Eucharist)

MONDAY

- 12:00 PM Al-Anon (Martin Room)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
1:00 PM Book Club (Advent House)
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

TUESDAY

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp
5:30 PM Yoga (Cathedral)
6:45 PM Seeker's Book Study (Advent House)

WEDNESDAY

- 11:30 PM Contemplative Prayer & Book Study (AH)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
1:00 PM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Westfeldt Room)
1:30 PM Canon Lowry's Study
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 10:00 AM Cathedral Tours
12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women Only)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

FRIDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

SATURDAY

- 9:00 AM Office open until noon.
9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
9:30 AM Centering Prayer (Advent House)
10:00 AM Eracism - Westfeldt Room
6:00 PM Wedding

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, 1928 Prayer Book (Chapel)
9:45 AM Children's Christian Formation (Martin Room)
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung)
11:15 AM Coffee Hour
6:00 PM REAL PRESENCE (Contemplative Holy Eucharist)



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