

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024



Prelude

Please stand as you are able

Processional Hymn

He Is Risen, He Is Risen

H180

1. 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.
2. Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,
with glad smile and radiant brow!
Death's long shadows have departed;
Jesus' woes are over now,
and the passion that he bore—
sin and pain can vex no more.
3. Come, with high and holy hymning,
hail our Lord's triumphant day;
not one darksome cloud is dimming
yonder glorious morning ray,
breaking o'er the purple east,
symbol of our Easter feast.
4. He is risen, he is risen!
He hath opened heaven's gate:
we are free from sin's dark prison,
risen to a holier state;
and a brighter Easter beam
on our longing eyes shall stream.

Deacon

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

All

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Deacon

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.

All

**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,**

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

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

Deacon Let us pray.
O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of the 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.**

Please sit

The First Lesson Acts 3:12-19

Lay Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles...

When Peter saw it, 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...The Word of the Lord...

All **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 4

- 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

Lay Reader A reading from the first letter of John...

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...

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Hymn

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

H343

1 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
thy chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness,
with water from the rock.

2 We would not live by bread alone,
but by thy word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on
to our abiding-place.

3 Be known to us in breaking bread,
and do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread
thy table in our heart.

4 Lord, sup with us in love divine,
thy Body and thy Blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine,
be our immortal food.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them 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.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

The Reverend Deacon Mike Seiler

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father 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 and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He had 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 OF THE PEOPLE

Leader That Christ's holy and lifegiving Resurrection may fill our lives with peace and joy, let us pray to the Lord:

People Hear us, Lord of glory!

Leader That the Church may boldly proclaim the Gospel and minister in love to all people. We pray especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer our Bishop, Michael our Vicar, Debra our Deacon, and the candidates for Presiding Bishop, let us pray to the Lord:

People Hear us, Lord of glory!

Leader That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter Gospel, and that there will be an end to hostilities in Gaza and the Ukraine, let us pray to the Lord:

People Hear us, Lord of glory!

Leader That the leaders of the world will work for justice and peace, and promote the dignity of every human being, and especially the President of the United States, the Governor of Arizona, and all elected and appointed leaders in our nation, let us pray to the Lord:

People Hear us, Lord of glory!

Leader That the peace of God which passes all understanding may comfort and strengthen the sick and the suffering, the weak and the dying, let us pray to the Lord:

People Hear us, Lord of glory!

Leader That the faithful departed may rest in peace and rise in glory, let us pray to the Lord:

People Hear us, Lord of glory!

Deacon Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before you for all members of you holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

Deacon The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Congregational Song **Let There Be Peace on Earth** (text is located on the back cover of the hymnal)

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE

Please sit, stand or kneel as able for the Eucharistic prayer.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music

All **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye, Heavenly host;
Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost**

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Deacon Lift up your hearts.

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

Deacon Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Deacon proceeds:

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life. May this sacrament of praise and thanksgiving bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness and everlasting salvation. Assure us of your mercy, and sanctify us by your heavenly grace; that we, approaching you with a pure heart and cleansed conscience, may offer you ourselves, our souls and bodies, to your glory. Blessed be your holy name for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

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

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Deacon The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Christ's Body and Blood. The wine will be offered by intinction, which means that you may dip the wafer into the small cup of wine offered by the Deacon. Please do not put your fingers into the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, just receive the wafer and return to your seat. The Church teaches that you receive the full Christ in either the bread or wine. There is no requirement to receive both. **Gluten free wafers are available upon request.***

Deacon The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

Communicant **Amen.**

Deacon The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

Communicant **Amen.**

CLOSING PRAYER

Deacon

Let us pray.

All

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 the 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May the love of the Father enfold us, the wisdom of the Son enlighten us, the fire of the Spirit inflame us; and may the blessing of God rest upon us and abide with us, now and evermore. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

H182

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.

Deacon:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

Dismissal

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

We invite you to quietly meditate during the postlude.



Please remain in your seat until the videographer raises an arm to indicate the recording has ended.

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

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Family & Friends Prayer List

Win Charles for recovery and healing
Red and Paula Simms for strength

The above name will stay on this list for up to four weeks. If someone needs to remain on this list for a longer period, or to have others added to this list, please contact the church office.

Ongoing List

Calvin Werbelow
Kathleen O'Hagan
George Toschak
Paula Erwin Yoder
Becky Thomas
Hartley Bennett
Sandy Schlege, Betty Hanson
All first responders
All Healthcare workers
All funeral directors and staff



Military Prayer List

All members of the Armed Forces, especially those serving overseas

U.S. Air Force	Colby	Harlan
	KayLee	Thomas
U.S. Army	Andrew	
U.S. Navy	Caleb	Landon
	McKenzie	

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom;



Sunday, April 14	Rev. Mike Seiler
Altar Guild	Caroline/Erica
Lector	Deb Poteet
Usher	John Carr
Bishop's Committee	Linda/Fred**

Sunday, April 21	Rev. Debra Loder
Altar Guild	Dave Loder
Lector	Dave Loder
Usher	Kelly Ryan
Bishop's Committee	Linda/Caroline**

Announcements

Coffee Hour - ECW



4/14 BCM Meeting
4/16 ECW Meeting
4/21 Parish Nurse
4/28 SALT Project Luncheon
5/05 Birthday Celebration
5/05 Rustic Ranch Service

Starting next month, we will begin having **Morning Prayer and Breakfast on the Second Thursday of every month.** Next month, that means it will be on **May 9th**. We will begin with Morning Prayer at 7:30am in the St. Alban's Chapel, and then head to the Copper State Cafe for Breakfast.

Reminding everyone that *Adult Forum* at 9:15 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Project SALT Food for 4/21: Canned fruit and vegetables

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8-12 am
Mike's Hours Wednesday - Saturday 10:30 - 4:30. Sunday after service by appointment.
Deacon Debra by appointment

The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Reddall
Bishop

The Rev. Mike Seiler
Deacon/Vicar

The Rev. Debra Loder
Deacon

Caroline Markham
Music Director

Ellen Richards
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