



GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Third Sunday of Easter
April 18, 2021
Morning Prayer, Rite 2

Book of Common Prayer

PRELUDE *Now the Green Blade Rises (EH #204)* - Medieval French Carol, setting by W. Wold

GREETING

OPENING SENTENCE

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. ~1 Corinthians 15:57

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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Officiant: Lord open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

GLORIA (All) **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

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VENITE *In unison*

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HYMN

Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice (EH # 212) - T. Haweis

PSALM 4 *Responsively by whole verse*

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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.

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.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

A READING FROM 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. **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 9 ~ *The First Song of Isaiah* *In unison*

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HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father - Swedish Folk Tune

READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF 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 Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 19 ~ *The Song of the Redeemed* *In unison*

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REFLECTION

A TIME OF SILENCE – *A bell will sound three times.*

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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.	
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WE PRAY FOR ALL OF WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS -- THOSE WHO ARE SICK, THOSE WHO'VE DIED, AND THOSE WHO MOURN.

Silence

AS WE PRAYERS FOR THE FOLKS ON OUR PRAYER LIST ...

for all who are traveling, especially **Josey Parker** and **Cameron Klass** ...

and those with special needs:

Cara Lee, Mark Adkins, Chris Alexander, Cora Alexander, Bobby Allgood, Amanda Amon, Ella Asebes, Barbara Beck, Alice Brandon & family, Baylee Brown, Andrea Cain, Donna Campbell, Stella Cappel, Russell Cinque, Lynne Cleckley, Becky Clodfelter, Richard Cooper, Morgan Curia, Barbara Dixon, Johanna Dresser, Suzanne Eller, Aubrie Gallen, Shana Garland, Marlon Gaskins, Susan Gibson, Jan Greer, Jane Grimes, George Hanna, Rob Hare, Kristen Harris, Elizabeth Harvey, Nancy Hinkle, Joe Koontz, Chris and Mike Hodges, Jon Huff, Nancy Hutchins, Brinkley Johnson, Anne King, Lindsay Layfield, Lynn Mack, Carol May, Kate McKenzie, Nicholas Melomo, Molly Michael, Roan Mitchell, Dan & Fran Moore, O'Lema Morgan, Page Onorato, Lynn Parsley, Gabby Plott, Jacklyn Rojas, Suzy Sheets, Talmadge Silversides, Amy Burkhart Smith, Dan Griff Smith, Martha Ellen Smith, Louise Snyder, Clarice and Henry Surratt, Robin Tilley, Jackie Touchton, Toni Underwood, Kathy Watson, Frances Welch, Courtney Weller, Susan Whetmore, Flynn Williams, and Charlotte Young.

✦ *At this time, you may offer your prayers in the comments bar on Facebook so that we may pray with you through the week.*

HYMN

*All Christians, Be Committed (tune: Beach Spring) -
The Sacred Harp, 1844*

DISMISSAL Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*

POSTLUDE

Toccatà - J. Kreiger

Service Leader: Staley Nance **Lector:** Jim Nance
Audio Visual: David Jones, John Taylor, Pam Harvey

Rite 13 will be meeting at the outdoor picnic tables, socially distanced and with masks on Sunday, April 18 at 5pm.



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