



# Grace Episcopal Church

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

*Now the Green Blade Rises* (French carol) - W. Wold

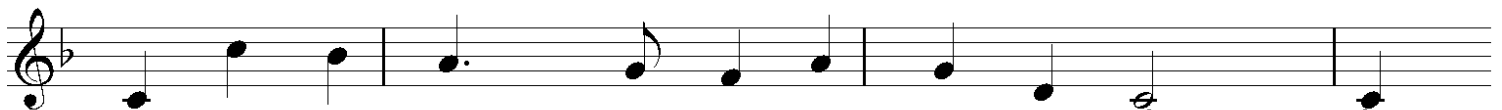
## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #296 (In the Blue Hymnal)

*We know that Christ is raised*



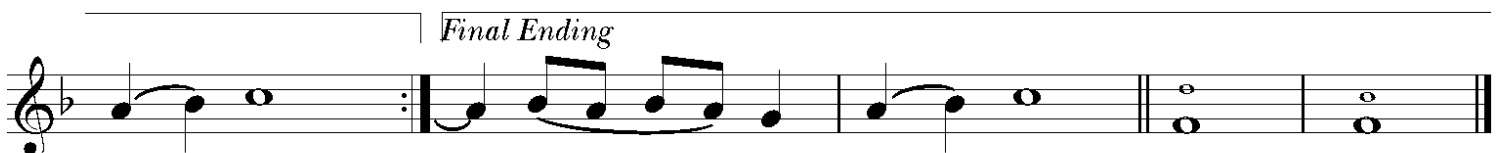
We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.  
The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.  
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold;  
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life  
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God.  
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.  
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. Al - le -  
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen!

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

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.**

**GLORIA #S278** (*in the front of the hymnal, sung by 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,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

### THE 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.**

### THE FIRST LESSON

*Acts 2:14a, 36-41*

*Lector* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

- The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24** (*responsively by whole verse*)

<sup>1</sup> I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

<sup>2</sup> **The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow.**

<sup>3</sup> Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

<sup>10</sup> How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things he has done for me?

<sup>11</sup> **I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

<sup>12</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

<sup>13</sup> **Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his servants.**

<sup>14</sup> O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

<sup>15</sup> **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

<sup>16</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

<sup>17</sup> **In the courts of the LORD'S house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

**THE EPISTLE**

*1 Peter 1:17-23*

*Lector* A reading from the first letter of Peter.

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.

- The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN #193 (vv. 1 & 3)** (*In the Blue Hymnal*)

*At the Lamb's high feast we sing*

*At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide  
flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him, whose love divine  
gives his sacred Blood for wine,  
gives his Body for the feast,  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.*

*Mighty victim from on high,  
hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;  
thou hast conquered in the fight,  
thou hast brought us life and light:  
now no more can death appall,  
now no more the grave enthrall;  
thou hast opened paradise,  
and in thee thy saints shall rise.*

*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.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #193 (v. 4) (In the Blue Hymnal)

*At the Lamb's high feast we sing*

*Easter triumph, Easter joy,  
 these alone do sin destroy.  
 From sin's power do thou set free  
 souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.  
 Hymns of glory, songs of praise,  
 Father, unto thee we raise:  
 risen Lord, all praise to thee  
 with the Spirit ever be.*

## 358 THE NICENE CREED

**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.**

## 392 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM VI)

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world; we pray for Joe our President, Roy our Governor,  
Jason our Mayor, and John our Councilman;

*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;

*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Samuel and Jennifer our Bishops; and Ed our Priest; and all other  
bishops and ministers;

*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.      *Silence*

We pray for all who are traveling, especially **Cameron** Klass, **Julia** Klass, and **Josey** Parker,  
and those with special needs:

**Fred** Adkins, **Mark** Adkins, **Amanda** Amon, **Ella** Asebes, **David** Bankston, **Rhonda** Bralkowski, **Alice**  
Brandon & family, **Baylee** Brown, **Gayle** Burke, **Art** Burkhart, **Emily** Duquette Byers, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Linda**  
Clodfelter, **Morgan** Curia, **Tracy** Davis, **Barbara** Dixon, **Susan** Dixon, **Anita** Ewbank, **Renee** Ewbank,  
**Cathy** Farley, **Charlotte** Froehlich, **Marc** Frye, **Jenny** Gallen and family, **Shana** Garland, **Jane** Grimes,  
**George** Hanna, **Rob** Hare, **Kristen** Harris, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Chris** Hodges, **Jon** Huff, **Jahiya** Huntley, **Greg**  
Hutchins, **Lindsay** Layfield, **Cara** Lee, **Warren** MacKinstry, **Carol** May, **Kate** McKenzie, **Brian** McKerlie,  
**Nicholas** Melomo, **Roan** Mitchell, **Dan & Fran** Moore, **O'Lema** Morgan, **Chocolate** Myers, **Howard**  
Palmer, **Bill** Phillipps, **Gabby** Plott, **Pat** Plummer, **Anne** Rives, **Libby** Robert, **Carl** Robertson, **Jacklyn** Rojas,  
**Lucas** Sanabria, **Tommy** Shaw, **Suzy** Sheets, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Amy** Burkhart Smith, **Dan Griff** Smith,  
**Martha Ellen** Smith, **Louise** Snyder, **Peggy** Snyder, **Reid** Taylor, **Jackie** Touchton, **Laura** Turlington,  
**Brenda** Tyndall, **Darla** Tysinger, **Perry** Grimes Van Dyke, **Kathy** Watson, **Flynn** Williams, **Mary and Jay**  
Williams, **Vickie** Wolfe, **Charlotte** Young, and **John** (withheld).

“Are there others?”

Hear us, Lord; *For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King; *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.*

*The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence*

*Celebrant and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**

**In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Please stand if you are able*

### 360 THE PEACE

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

*People* **And also with you.**

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**                    *(choir only)*                    *The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus (based on Luke 24)*  
- from Wonder, Love and Praise

*Antiphon:*    *The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.*

*The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ (Ant.)*

*One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. (Ant.)*

**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS #205 (v.5)** *(The offering is brought forth while the hymn is being sung)*

*To God the Father, God the Son,  
to God the Spirit, always One,  
we sing for life in us begun:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

### 361 THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Eucharistic Prayer A)*

*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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS #S125** (*Sung by All*)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*The people may stand or kneel*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many 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.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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.**



### 364 THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

#### FRACTION ANTHEM

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world, **have mercy on us.**  
*People* Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world, **have mercy on us.**  
*Celebrant* Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world, **grant us peace.**

#### INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation*

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.

*All baptized Christians are invited to come forward for Holy Communion at the Lord's Table.*

*You may receive both the bread and wine, or only the bread or only the wine.*

*Receiving Communion in one or both forms is sufficient sacramentally.*

*If you prefer neither bread nor wine, you also are invited to come forward and to simply cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the minister to provide you with a holy blessing of the Lord.*

### 366 POST-COMMUNION PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

#### THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant blesses the people*

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life, and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**



1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
 2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,  
 \*3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
 4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song



re - jice in his word, ye an - gels of light;  
 in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;  
 each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;  
 to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!



ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,  
 praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,  
 loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,  
 For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,



and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
 praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.  
 and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.  
 for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!  
*People* **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

*Immortal, Invisible (Welsh folk tune) - setting by M. Burkhardt*

### WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Lector:</b>	Barbara Presnell
<b>Intercessor:</b>	Robin Sink
<b>Lay Eucharistic Minister:</b>	Pam Harvey
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bill Gilleland, Richard Wolfe
<b>Greeter:</b>	Frances Garner
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Erik Petruzzi, Cooper Petruzzi, Analise Petruzzi

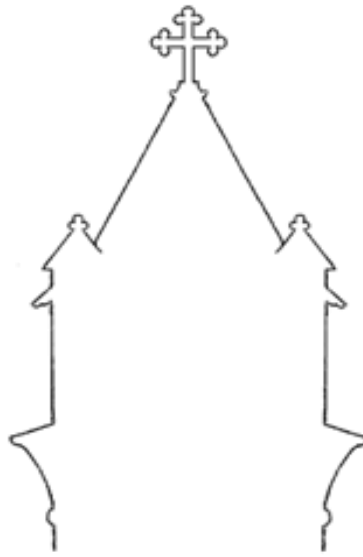
### WELCOME GUESTS AND NEWCOMERS!

We are delighted to have you worship with us today, and we would welcome the opportunity to get acquainted. Please sign the Guest Book in the narthex and join us immediately following the service in the Undercroft (beneath the church) for refreshments and conversation. **Today our hosts are Barbara Presnell and Sandy Reynolds.**

Infants and young children are always welcome to worship with their families in the sanctuary.

**The restrooms are located in the rear hallway, and diaper-changing stations are provided in both rooms.**

**During Holy Communion**, if you are unable to receive communion at the altar rail, please notify an usher so that communion can be brought to you.



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Joan Clodfelter, Minister of Music  
Kathy Johnson, Christian Education Director  
Maureen Tinchler, Parish Administrator  
John Taylor, Facilities Manager

### THE VESTRY

2024

Lynn Meeks Treasurer  
Sandy Reynolds Asst. Clerk  
Logan Sheets  
Susan Terrell

2025

Wes Allred Sr. Warden  
Thompson Miller Asst. Treasurer  
Marjorie Parker Jr. Warden  
Marilyn Taylor

2026

Karl Bolstad  
Bright Carter  
Sally Dodd Clerk  
Henry Duquette Asst. Jr. Warden

Vestry Person of the Month for April is Susan Terrell.