

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

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**PRELUDE** Prelude in G, BWV 541

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand and sing HYMN 193

That Easter day with joy was bright

Puer nobis

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen. People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

GLORIA S278

William Mathias



J. S. Bach

THE REVEREND ROBBIE LAUGHTON, Associate Rector THE REVEREND DEACON REDMOND SELF, Seminarian



#### 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 People are seated. **THE FIRST LESSON** 

#### Acts 3:12-19

Peter 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."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 4



*Choir:* 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. "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?" **ANTIPHON** 

*Choir*: Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord he will hear me. Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed. **ANTIPHON** 

*Choir*: Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord. Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord. **ANTIPHON** 

*Choir*: You have put more gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase. I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **ANTIPHON** 

# THE SECOND LESSON

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

All children ages three through third grade are invited to Children's Chapel. Parents are encouraged to accompany very young children as they learn the rhythms of this service designed especially for children. The children will return before communion.

HYMN 200

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Gaudeamus pariter

1 John 3:1-7

#### THE GOSPEL

# GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Noelle York-Simmons

A moment for reflection follows the sermon.

All stand and say
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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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.

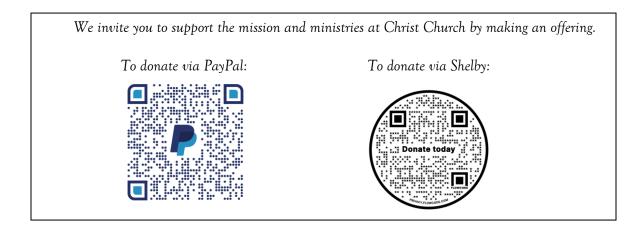
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor concludes each petition "Let us pray to the Lord," *People* **Risen Lord, hear our prayer**.

# THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you. People And also with you.



## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

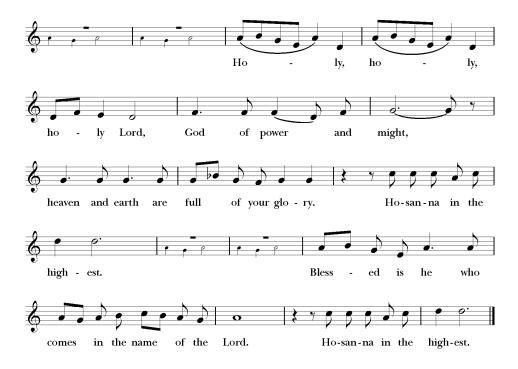
If ye be risen again with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on heavenly things, and not on earthly things; for ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. Whensoever Christ, which is our life, shall shew himself, then shall we also appear with him glory.

Words: Colossians 3:1-4 Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

# 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 God thanks and praise.	
Celebrant:	It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty	
	God, Creator of heaven and earthTherefore 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:	



The People stand or kneel.

*Celebrant:* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love... ...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

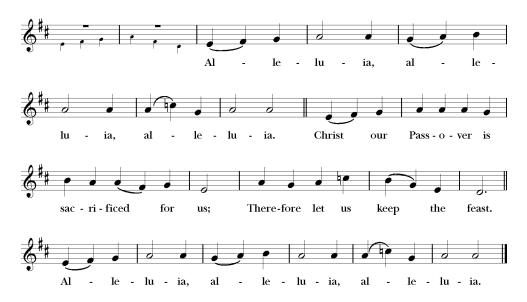
#### All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*Celebrant:* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption...in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.** 

Celebrant: 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

To receive communion, please follow the ushers to the altar. Upon placing your hands forward, you will receive a wafer. You may consume it and then receive the wine from the chalice or hold onto the wafer and the chalice-bearer will intinct it for you. You may also cross your hands over your chest for a blessing to receive neither element or not to receive the wine.

#### **COMMUNION ANTHEM**

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away; for lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear upon the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come.

Words: Song of Solomon Music: Healey Willan (1880-1968)

HYMN AT COMMUNION 335

I am the bread of life

I Am the Bread of Life

#### SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,

that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

All We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

#### Celebrant 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 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 BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN 182	Christ is alive! Let Christians sing	Truro

THE DISMISSAL

*Leader* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE Fugue in G, BWV 541

J. S. Bach

#### THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

In memory of Bill Usher In memory of The Reverend William Reed Usher In memory of Elizabeth Anderson Usher In memory of Odell Atwood Matthews and Louise Hammett Matthews

# WE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED

Pamela Ayers Davis, Greg Williams

# WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS

Sean Doherty, the Nelson family, Alec Hostetler, Kate Ballard, the Streyder family

# PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH

Bonnie-Lorraine Thiele, Barbara Cooley, William Groft & family, Lori & family, Bill & Colleen Nelson, Mary Crow, Gladys Hook, Jim Murphy, Willie Banks, LaVerne Scott-Rayford, Michael Barrett,
Darlene Freeman, Alfred & Lucia Goldman, David Caleb, Jim Coakley, Betty Stacy, Tony Robson, Joe, John, Brooke, Riley, Jack, Gaby Brown, the Clinger Family, April Williams & family, Mary Svrjcek, Jim Coakley

# NEW TO CHRIST CHURCH? PLEASE SCAN AND LET US KNOW!



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