

The Word of God

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN *At the Lamb's high feast we sing (Salzburg) (H 174)*

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT OF PURITY

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

In unison: 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.*

SONG OF PRAISE *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Mathias) (S 278)*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
God the Fa-ther. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

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 LESSONS

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd],
³⁶“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?”
³⁸Peter 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.
³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.”
⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”
⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17

Psalm 116. ANTIPHON
Organ: *Everyone:*
I will walk in the
presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

(Choir sings the ANTIPHON, followed by the Congregation)

¹I 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. **(All sing ANTIPHON)**

²The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *

I came to grief and sorrow.

³Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *

“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.” **(ANTIPHON)**

¹⁰How shall I repay the Lord *

for all the good things he has done for me?

¹¹I will lift up the cup of salvation *

and call upon the Name of the Lord. **(ANTIPHON)**

¹²I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *

in the presence of all his people.

¹³Precious in the sight of the Lord *

is the death of his servants. **(ANTIPHON)**

¹⁴O Lord, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁵I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *

and call upon the Name of the Lord. **(ANTIPHON)**

¹⁶I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *

in the presence of all his people,

¹⁷In the courts of the Lord’s house, *

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Hallelujah! **(ANTIPHON)**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

¹⁷If 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. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable

things like silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through 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.

²²Now 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. ²³You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE INTROIT *Celtic Alleluia (O’Carroll/Walker) (MHSO 20)*

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

All sing refrain.

Verse (Choir only):

Speak, Lord, your servant is list'ning, speak your words of wisdom,

For the words you speak are everlasting life.

All sing refrain.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹³Now on that same day two of [the disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then 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?” ¹⁹He 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, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But 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. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and 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. ²⁴Some 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.” ²⁵Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But 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.

³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They 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?”

³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE *(same as Sequence Introit before Gospel reading)*

THE SERMON

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In response to

Intercessor: O God, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Make our hearts burn within us, Lord Christ, as we walk with you on the road and listen to your words; strengthen us with your presence and your truth all our journey through, that, at its end, we may behold you in the glory of the eternal Trinity, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Good Christian Souls Rejoice and Sing!*
Ernest Bullock (1890-1979)**

Good Christian souls rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluya!

The Lord of Life is risen for ay; bring flowers of song to strew his way;

Let all mankind rejoice and say: Alleluya!

Praise we in songs of victory; that Love, that Life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluya!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord

The Life laid down, the Life restored: Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!

- C.A. Alington (1872-1955)

OFFERTORY HYMN *Doxology with Alleluias*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'ly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B (BCP p. 367)

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.

SANCTUS *Holy, holy, holy (Powell) (S 129)*

Musical notation for the Sanctus. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

Musical notation for the beginning of the Creed. The lyrics are: comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD (BCP p. 364)

FRACTION ANTHEM *Christ Our Passover (S155)*

Musical notation for the Fraction Anthem. The lyrics are: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

DISTRIBUTION

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. [Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN *Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest (Rosedale) (H 305)*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN *We know that Christ is raised and dies no more (Engelberg) (H 296)*

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All are warmly invited to join us after worship
in our Church Center for fellowship and refreshments.*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. James-Santee Episcopal Church, McClellanville; The Rev. John West, Priest-in-charge

In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Linda Burney.

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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
19 April 2026 AD, 10:00 a.m.

The Rev. Jim Craig, Celebrant



Welcome! We warmly welcome all who join us in worship and invite you to join us afterwards for refreshments & fellowship in the Upper Room. If you need pastoral care, reach out to Fr. Roy at RoyTripp@mac.com. If you would like the Intercessory Prayer Team to lift up yourself, family, friends, or circumstances fill out a prayer request card available on the Welcome Table and place in the red box. All requests are confidential.

Please let us know you visited by signing the visitor register in the back of the church so we may get to know you better.

NOTES: BCP is *The Book of Common Prayer*, the book with the gold cross. Feel free to quietly ask a neighbor for guidance if you are "lost" at any point during worship. Gluten-free communion wafers are available. Let an usher or acolyte know prior to the start of worship if possible.

