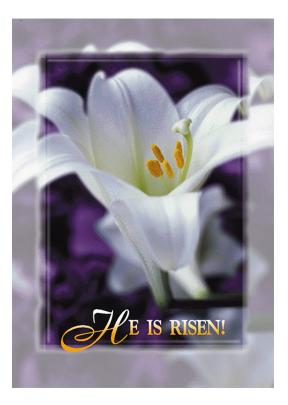
Holy Eucharist - Rite Two April 14, 2024 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Third Sunday of Easter



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Prelude

Chorale Prelude on "Richmond" - Alec Rowley

Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn - Awake, arise, lift up your voice (H212)



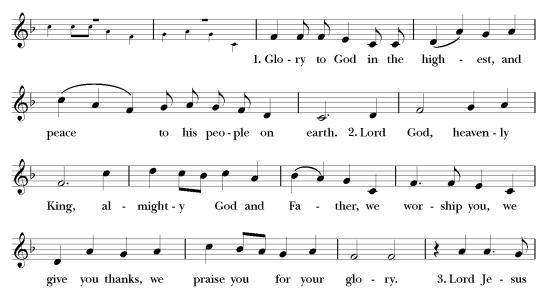
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Opening Acclamation	Alleluia. Christ is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
Collect for Purity	Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria (8:00 a.m.)

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.

As the Gloria is sung, all children are invited to come forward.



Gloria (10:00 a.m.) - S280



Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you. 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 Prayer Over the Children

Blessed are you Lord God of all creation. You have blessed us with the joy and care of children. May the knowledge of you dawn on them, may the love of you grow in them and may the grace of your Spirit draw them to you. Amen.

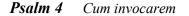
The First Lesson Acts 3:12-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**







[Antiphon]

- 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. [Ant.]
- 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. [Ant.]

The Second Lesson 1 John 3:1-7

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. **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as able, and remain standing for the proclamation of the Gospel.) **The Gradual** Played twice through before the Gospel is proclaimed, and twice after.



The Holy Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

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

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Jessie Smith

A period of silence follows the sermon.

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

Gracious and Loving God, Christ's peace penetrates our startled and terrified hearts: Open our minds to understand the scriptures and to know ourselves to be your beloved children, as we pray, saying: Know that God does wonders for the faithful; when we call, God will hear us.

You have called your Church to be witnesses of the resurrection and to proclaim in your name repentance and forgiveness of sins: Lift up your countenance upon us, O God, that we may see and touch the presence of the Risen One. Know that God does wonders for the faithful;

when we call, God will hear us.

Though the nations of the earth act in ignorance and reject the call of the Holy and Righteous One, fulfill what you have foretold through all the prophets, that we might see better times. Know that God does wonders for the faithful;

when we call, God will hear us.

We praise our Wounded Healer, Christ, who suffered, and rose from the dead on the third day, that your divine re-creative power may be at work throughout the world to confront injustice, disease, poverty, and sadness. Know that God does wonders for the faithful;

when we call, God will hear us.

Answer the people of this community, Almighty One, defender of our cause, and set us free when we are hard-pressed, that we may dwell in safety until the day when we will see you as you are. Know that God does wonders for the faithful;

when we call, God will hear us.

Hear our prayers for all for whom we intercede. We celebrate the goodness of your blessings among us. We remember all who have died, that they may be revealed to be like you, O God, in the resurrection life of Christ.

(The congregation may add special intentions here.)

Know that God does wonders for the faithful; when we call, God will hear us.

O God of our ancestors, you have glorified your servant Jesus: Fill our wondering hearts with your joy and love, that we may live faithfully and may be righteous as he is righteous, living in your lifegiving Spirit, through Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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.

The Peace The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

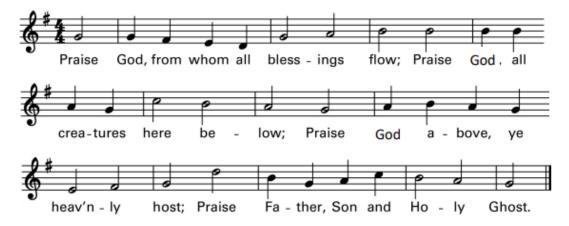
Liturgy of the Table

Offertory

Consecrated, Lord, to Thee - Lloyd Larson

Doxology

People stand when offerings are brought to the altar.



The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. **By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight. Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

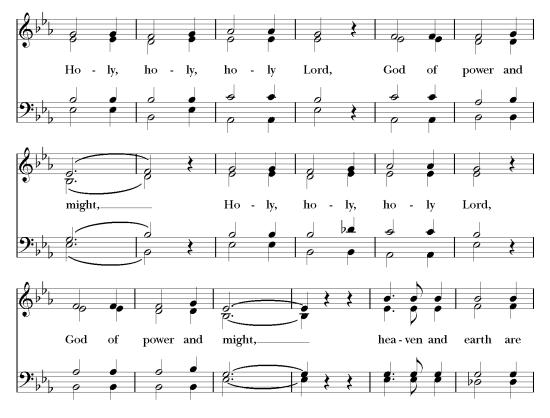
By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus (8:00 a.m.)

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

Sanctus (10:00 a.m.) - S130





And so, God, we who have been redeemed by Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night Jesus was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our ancestors; God of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Creator, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN.

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

(8:00) Our Father, who art in heaven,

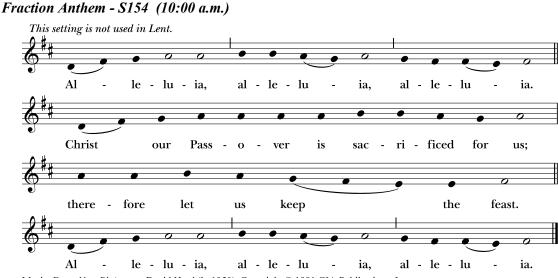
hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. (10:00 a.m.)



The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction (8:00 a.m.)

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



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The InvitationAll are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy
Communion, or you are welcome to come forward to the
altar rail with your arms crossed and receive a blessing.
We believe that if it is in your heart to seek God at this
table, then it is in God's heart to meet you here. Welcome.

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 are welcome to come forward and receive the sacrament of Holy Communion (in both the bread and wine, or in one form only). Alternatively, you are welcome to come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing.

For those worshipping with us online this morning, we invite you to say this prayer for Spiritual Communion:

God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Savior, our true Mother who feeds us and gives us eternal life. Though I cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Communion Hymn - Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless (H343)



Please stand as you are able.

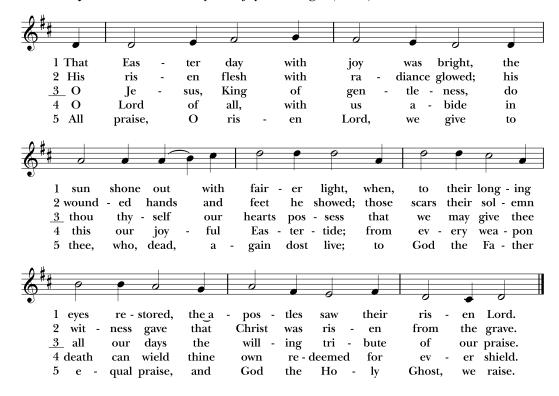
Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, 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.

Benediction

Recessional Hymn - That Easter day with joy was bright (H193)



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The Dismissal Let us go forth in the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Postlude

Improvisation on Puer Nobis - Paul Manz

Ministers of Worship (8:00 a.m.)

Minister - The Rev. Jessie Smith Lay Eucharistic Minister - Marcy Clements Lectors - Per Dahlin (both readings) Usher - Jayne Mackley

Ministers of Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Minister - The Rev. Jessie Smith Music Director/Organist - Dr. Taylor Ruhl Cantor: Juliana Baioni Lay Eucharistic Minister - Rachel Hughes, Lynn Nickens Acolyte - Lilli Edeson Lectors - Linda Shirbroun and Shari Hardy Zoom Tech - Diego Gamiz-Gomez Usher - John McCurdy, Akayla Lewis

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