

The Third Sunday of Easter



Holy Eucharist
April 18, 2021 10:30 am

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Our mission is to be a community of Christian worship, well-being and service.
We will be worshiping outside as weather permits.

We hope you will experience God's own welcome in this place and through our online ministry. Worship and join us online at www.smcportsmouth.org or find us on Facebook @smcportsmouth.



Notes about outdoor worship at St. Mary's

We are glad you are here today! If you are outside your car, please wear a mask and maintain a distance of 6 feet between you and anyone outside your family.

Should you require special assistance today, you will see various team members in blue vests who are glad to assist.

- Restrooms are available downstairs in the Parish House.

For Worship from your car:

- Please turn your radio to 88.7
- We ask that you remain in the car to maintain social distancing.
- Holy Communion will be brought to you. Please keep a mask on and wait until the minister is 6 feet away before consuming the sacrament.

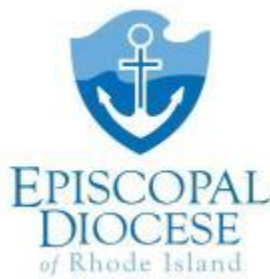
For Worship on the Lawn:

- A greeter will welcome you. Please remain in your circle until invited to come forward for Holy Communion. Keep 6' for social distancing as you walk and wait in line. Keep your mask on to receive and wait to return to your seat before consuming the sacrament.

For Worship from the Reserved Seating: (For those who need extra care and space.)

- Get on the list and we will save you a seat each week. Contact srwarden@smcportsmouth.org. Or you can find someone with a blue vest and they will get you a seat.
- Holy Communion will be brought to you. Please keep a mask on and wait until the minister is 6 feet away before consuming the sacrament.

For information and announcements please go to our website: smcportsmouth.org, and read our weekly eNews, which arrives on Saturdays.



Covenant for Regathering

I promise, to the best of my ability with God's help, to abide by the guidelines of the Diocese of Rhode Island and St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, for participation in church as we regather during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In fulfillment of the Baptismal Covenant (BCP p. 304-305), I will strive to:

Love my neighbor as myself, I will...

- Wear a mask or scarf over my nose and mouth at all times in church buildings, except momentarily to receive the sacrament or lead worship by an assigned speaking part, and follow public health guidelines for hand sanitizing and disinfecting.
- Only attend worship if I am non-symptomatic for the COVID-19 virus or any other transmittable disease that could compromise the health of another person also attending.
- Abstain from attending if doing so would put me at greater risk due to my own health status.

Respect the dignity of every human being, I will...

- Make no physical contact with people beyond the members of my own household. ▪ Maintain a six foot or more distance from other members of the congregation.
- Respect any requests for distance, masking, cleaning, and disinfecting to ensure the safety and comfort level of others.

Seek and serve Christ in all people...

- Support the decisions of my diocesan and congregational leaders.
- Stay connected with others in my community by telephone, video chat, mail, or other means

This is our expectation for all those who wish to worship with us in person. By participating in our worship, you assume responsibility for following the above.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

All may stand at the ringing of the church bell.

Processional Hymn: O sons and daughters, let us sing!

Hymnal 1982 #203

Antiphon (at the beginning)



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

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



1 O sons and daugh-ters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, the faith - ful wo - men
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, who sat and spake un -
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; a - midst them came their
5 On this most ho - ly day of days, to God your hearts and



1 glo - rious King, o'er death and hell rose tri - um - phing.
2 went their way to seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
3 to the three, "Your Lord doth go to Gal - i - lee."
4 Lord most dear, and said, "My peace be on all here."
5 voic - es raise, in laud and ju - bi - lee and praise.



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
2 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
4 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

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

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

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Song of Praise: Pascha nostrum

WLP#880

Descant

3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

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Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

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

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

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a vocal melody in the upper staves and a piano accompaniment in the lower staves. The lyrics are in English and describe the resurrection and the Eucharist. The score is divided into three systems, each with a vocal staff and a piano staff. The first system contains the main text, the second system contains the 'Alleluia' refrain, and the third system contains a final 'Alleluia' section. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in both hands, providing a harmonic foundation for the vocal melody.

The Word of God

Collect of the Day

Celebrant God 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 may be seated.

First Reading: 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 *spoken by all*

**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?"**

**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.
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.
You have put 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.**

Second Reading: 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.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

All may stand for the Gospel Procession

Gospel Procession: Alleluia No. 1

Hymnal 1982 #178

Descant

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

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

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

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

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

People **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.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon

The Rev. Meaghan Brower

All may stand for the Nicene Creed.

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.

Prayers of the People

Celebrant

Filled with joy on this feast day, let us offer prayers to God who brings peace and new life.

Leader

For the holy catholic church throughout the world, and for our church in particular as we rediscover the death and resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Nicholas our Bishop, for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ. For all the holy people of God.

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families, remembering especially those who are experiencing strife, division and conflict.

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

For justice, mercy, and peace in all the world.

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

For all who are sick, suffering or in any kind of need, especially Priscilla, Judith, Marilyn, Brian, Sarah, Connie, Michael, Fran, Beverly, Michelle, Mary, Kathy, and Bev, Fran, Kara, Paul, Marcos.

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

For the dying and the dead, especially Sarah Gibbs, our founder, and for those who have died from Covid – 19, for those who are keeping vigil and mourning and for those we remember aloud.

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

For our families, friends, and companions, in thanksgiving for this church community and for all those we love and name aloud:

Pause

We pray,
Glory and praise to You, O living God.

Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, St. George and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for the victory over death of your Son Jesus Christ. Hear the prayers we offer this holy day, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live for ever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Song at the Offering: Our God is Here

Muglia

Verses



1. ♫ Here in this time, here in this place,
2. ♫ Here in the Word, God is re-vealed,
1. *En es-te mo-men - to y en es-te lu - gar,*
2. ♫ *En su pa - la - bra Dios se re - ve - la,*



1. here we are stand - ing face to face.
2. here where the wound - ed can be healed.
1. *Dios nos in - vi - ta a con - tem - plar.*
2. *nos da el a - mor que nos con - sue - la.*



1. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
2. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
1. *En nues-tras vi - das, en el co-ra - zón: Dios es-tá a-quí.*
2. *En nues-tras vi - das, en el co-ra - zón: Dios es-tá a-quí.*



1. ♫ Here for the bro - ken, here for the strong,
2. ♫ Here we be-come what we re-ceive,
1. *En la for-ta - le - za, y de - bi - li - dad*
2. *En es-te ban-que - te nos con-ver - ti -*



1. here in this tem - ple we be - long.
2. here in this Eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
1. *en es-te tem - plo de u - ni - dad,*
2. - *mos: En lo que to - dos re - ci - bi - mos.*



1. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
2. We are his bod - y, liv-ing as one; our God is here.
1. *en nues-tras vi - das, en el co-ra - zón: Dios es-tá a-quí.*
2. *So-mos su cuer - po, u - ni-dos a él: Dios es-tá a-quí.*

Refrain

And we cry: "Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly are you!" We cry:
Cla-ma-mos: ¡San - to, San - to, San-to e - res tú! Cla-ma-mos.

"Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly and true!" A-men, we do be-lieve
¡San-to, San-to, San-to e - res tú! A-mén, to-dos cre - e -

our God is here. Our God is here.
- mos: Dios es-tá a-quí. Dios es-tá a-quí.

The Holy Communion

If you would like to make an offering, please place it in one of the blue buckets.

The people may stand for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Eucharistic Prayer

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 our thanks and praise.**

The celebrant continues...

...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 and Benedictus: Holy from the "Mass of St. Ann"

Bolduc

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant continues...

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
People **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his glory;**

The celebrant continues...

...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.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction: Lamb of God from the "Mass of St. Ann"

Bolduc

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Music: Miracle of Grace

Stephan

Verses

1. Mir - a - cle of grace, mys - ter - y of faith,
 2. Un - wor - thy though we are, you feed the hun - gry heart
 3. Your faith - ful - ness re - vealed in this cov - e - nant you've sealed

1. call - ing us to ven - ture to the deep.
 2. with bread come down from heav - en a - bove. And
 3. with your ver - y bod - y and your blood. Come,

1. Though our sens - es fail, your grac - es still pre - vail, and
 2. like a grain of wheat, we fall down at your feet,
 3. claim your bride a - gain with love that can - not end, for

1. we be - come the love that we re - ceive.
 2. dy - ing here with you. Oh, let us rise!
 3. what God joins no one can di - vide.

Refrain

Bread of life, bread of life. Those who eat this bread shall live
 and nev - er die. Bread of life, bread of life.
 Your true pres - ence in this ho - ly sac - ri - fice.

1, 2 to Verse 2, 3
 Bread of life.

Final

Bread of life, bread of life.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 and Dismissal

Celebrant God, who through the resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia**

Closing Song: Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Hymnal 1982 #182

The musical score is written for five voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first five lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next five lines. The third system contains the final five lines and ends with a double bar line. The piano accompaniment is written in the bass clef and provides harmonic support for the vocal parts. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1 through 5 indicating the voice parts.

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Celebrating Families on Mother's Day

The Social Issues & Service Committee is collaborating with the St. Mary's Knitters to celebrate new mothers and families on Mother's Day 5/9/21. Understanding the struggles of young families during the past year, we have identified several social service agencies on Aquidneck Island including: Lucy's Hearth, Child & Family Services of Newport County, Baby Steps & Head Start to receive Baby Welcome Baskets for identified clients in need. The baskets will include beautiful handmade items from our knitters along with baby necessities and a laminated prayer for families. We are hoping that the generous members of St. Mary's will help us to fill these baskets with diapers, wipes, etc. All items are due by 5/2/21 in order for the baskets to be assembled and blessed on Mother's Day. You may drop off your items on Sunday mornings as you enter for worship or bring them to Karen Laroche at the Parish House on Tuesday 4/27 – Thursday 4/29. Please contact lynncarlson@gmail.com with any questions and how to use SignUp Genius if you are able to help.

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