

An inviting safe community for all

Welcome! We're glad that you chose to worship us today!

Worship at Home: 3rd Sunday of Easter

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Welcome from Amma Diane

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia!

Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia!

Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945). Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Gathering

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Celebrant If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed

away; see, everything has become new!

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

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!

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.

All AMEN!

Celebrant Lord, open our lips.

All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. AMEN!

Christ Our Passover

1 Cor 5.7-8, Romans 6.9-11, 1 Cor 15.20-22

Celebrant

Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed:

All Come let us adore him. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast, Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia! Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So also consider yourselves dead to sin, and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia! Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

Celebrant

Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed:

All

Come let us adore him. Alleluia!

Unison Reading

Psalm 116. 1-3, 10-17

All

I love the Lord who has heard the voice of my supplication, who has listened to me whenever I called. The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow. Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

How shall I repay you, O Lord, for all the good things you have done for me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your Name. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people. Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your servants. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the Name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people of God. In the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. AMEN!

First Lesson Acts 2. 14a, 36-41

Reader 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.

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

Unison Reading

Canticle 19, The Song of the Redeemed

O ruler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are they that you have done, surpassing human understanding. Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, O King of all the ages. Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name? for you only are the Holy One. All nations will draw near and fall down before you, because your just and holy works have been revealed. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. AMEN!

Gospel Luke 24. 13-35

Celebrant

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

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.

Celebrant

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sermon Amma Diane

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant Let us join in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day Christ rose again; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN!

Offering Our Prayers

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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!

Celebrant Help us, O God our Savior;

All Deliver us and forgive our sins.

Celebrant Look upon your congregation;

All Give to your people the blessing of peace.

Celebrant Declare your glory among the nations;All And your wonders among all peoples.

Celebrant Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

All Never forget the lives of your poor.

Celebrant Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

All And your favor to those who are true of heart.

Celebrant Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

All So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Celebrant

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All AMEN!

Celebrant

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All AMEN!

Prayers of the People

Reader

Living Christ, you are risen from the dead! Love reigns! You are life stronger than death. Raise our eyes to see you as the new day dawns.

We pray for the entire Body of Christ. We offer our joy that we celebrate your glorious resurrection with our brothers and sisters around the world. Envelop your people with a sense of your risen presence, today and always. For the household of faith, the church of the risen Christ, we pray:

All Be with us and bless us, O God.

Reader

We pray for our nation. God of hope, teach us the difference between reaching down and reaching out. Guide the many of privilege who determine the destinies of others. Lead us not only to share our wealth, but to enter with hope into the poverty of those who do not share our good fortune. For our nation and for our common good, we pray:

All Be with us and guide us, O God.

Reader

We pray for the whole world. God of creation you have given us a world of glorious diversity. Give us the eyes to see the beauty of your cosmic patchwork. Give us open hearts and the confidence to invite all into the bond of your love, that in unity with you, we may bring your peace and goodness and vision to all people. For the welfare of our world, we pray:

All Be with us and unite us, O God.

Reader

We pray for this community. God who came to earth as one of us, help us see you in each member of this community. Bless the many gifts of our members and keep before us the image of the Servant Jesus, that joined with him we remain ready to kneel with basin and towel before each other and before those you continue to bring into our midst. For our community we pray:

All Be with us and help us, O God.

Reader

We pray for all who suffer. God of compassion, open our hearts to bind and heal in your name. Bless all of those who ask our prayers, and give us courage to learn the names of others. Be present, through us, to those who need your comfort. We remember those on our prayer list and others we name now silently or aloud. For all who suffer and struggle, we pray:

All Be with us and heal us, O God.

Reader

We pray for all who have died. God who has loved us from before birth and God who loves us beyond the grave, we remember those who have died in the glorious hope of the resurrection, and we remember those who mourn, that they may be assured with that same hope. We remember those on our prayer list and others we name now silently or aloud. For all who have entered new life in Christ's resurrection, we pray:

All Be with us and raise us, O God.

Reader

Receive our praise and thanks for all your blessings, and for those other prayers we lift up. We remember those on our prayer list and others we name now silently or aloud. For confidence to offer all of our needs and concerns up to God, and for growing gratitude in all we receive, we pray:

All Be with us and renew us, O God.

Reader

Glorious Lord of Life, we praise you, that by the wondrous resurrection of your Son, you have delivered us from sin and death and made your whole creation new; grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead, may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

All AMEN!

The General Thanksgiving

Celebrant Let us pray.

All

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. AMEN!

A Prayer of St Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. AMEN!

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays; stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933). Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827).

Sending

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than

we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in

the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

All AMEN!

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