



## The Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

Thank you for choosing to worship with St. Margaret's today. Your virtual presence blesses all those who join this worship. The Morning Prayer Service you will experience has deep roots in Christian history. This gives a sense of being surrounded by all the faithful through time. May you find food for your soul here as we continue to celebrate the 50 days of Easter!

### Morning Prayer

#### *Prelude Fanfare*

#### *Hymn 432 O Praise ye the Lord*

*Laudate Dominum*

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O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

#### *Opening Greeting and Invitatory*

**Officiant:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**People:** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**Officiant:** Lord, open our lips.  
**People:** **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**  
**All Together:** **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.**  
**Officiant:** Come let us adore him. Alleluia!

***Pascha nostrum***      *Christ our passover*      *Chanted by the Cantor*      S16

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness,  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more;  
death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once;  
but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin,

but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Christ is risen from the dead,  
and become the first fruits of them that slept.  
For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Lesson**

**Acts 2:14a,36-41**

*Peter proclaims the lordship of the risen Christ and implores all to claim the redemption he offers through baptism. 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.

### **Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17**

1 I 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.

2 The cords of death entangled me;  
the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: \*  
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the Lord \*  
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
is the death of his servants.

14 O Lord, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the Lord's house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

## The Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:17-23

*The Resurrection of Jesus Christ reveals God's power to make all things new. A reading from the first letter of Peter:*

If 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. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through 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.

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

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Hymn 210** The day of resurrection

*Ellacombe*

*The music is from [www.missionstclare.com](http://www.missionstclare.com). Permission requested.*

1. The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the Passover of gladness,  
the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over,  
with hymns of victory.

2. Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light;  
and, listening to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain  
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

3. Now let the heavens be joyful,  
let earth her song begin,  
the round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
let all things seen and unseen  
their notes in gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord hath risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

## **The Gospel**

**Luke 24:13-35**

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.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Deborah Seles

## **Anthem Laudate nomen**

by Carlyle Sharpe

Recorded by the St. Margaret's Choir in 2010

Hallelujah!  
Praise the name of the Lord;  
    give praise, you servants of the Lord,  
You who stand in the house of the Lord,  
    in the courts of the house of our God.  
Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
    sing praises to his name, for it is lovely.  
For the Lord has chosen Jacob for himself  
    and Israel for his own possession.  
For I know that the Lord is great,  
    and that our Lord is above all gods.  
Bless the Lord, O house of Israel;  
    O house of Aaron, bless the Lord.  
Bless the Lord, O house of Levi;  
    you who fear the Lord, bless the Lord.  
Blessed be the Lord out of Zion,  
    who dwells in Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah! *Psalm 135:1-5, 19-21*

## **Apostle's Creed**

**Officiant:** Please join in proclaiming our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

**People:**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
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.

### *The Lord's Prayer*

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 Suffrages* All join in the bold letter responses

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**R. And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**R. Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**R. For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
**R. Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

### *Collects and Prayers*

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.**

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. **Amen.**

Almighty God, whose Son had nowhere to lay his head: Grant that those who live alone may not be lonely in their solitude, but that, following in his steps, they may find fulfillment in loving you and their neighbors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

Let us now offer the longings of our hearts, recalling first all those in peril of any kind, whose names I invite you to speak. [Pause] And now recalling those who have died, especially those who have recently fallen to COVID-19 and those whose passing for other reasons cannot be honored because of our confinement.

### ***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.**

**Officiant:** Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Officiant offers the Easter Blessing.**

### ***Postlude***

**Toccata on “Christ ist Erstanden” by Richard Purvis**

Frederick Swann, organist

Recorded on the Cassavant Organ in Memorial Chapel, University of Redlands

### **Worship Ministers**

The Rev. Deborah Seles, *Preacher, Officiant and Reader of the Gospel*

The Rev. Kathleen Kelly and Jim Duke (Licensed Worship Leader), *Officiants*

John Wright, *Director of Music*

Craig Gahnz-Kuhar, *Cantor and Videographer*

Doug Lothes and Sue Shigenaga, *Lectors*

Cash Baxter and Betty Baxter, *voices of the people*

Emily Vogt, Debby Jansma and Chet Hecht, *Technical assistance*

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**Readings for Next Sunday, 5/3/20**

***Psalm 23***

***The First Lesson Acts 2:42-47***

***The Second Lesson 1 Peter 2:19-25***

***The Holy Gospel John 10:1-10***

**Sermon will be from the Rev. Kathleen Kelly**



## Neighbors-4-Neighbors

Miracles continue to happen every Tuesday at St. Margaret's through Neighbors 4 Neighbors. We desperately want to keep the doors open and the carts moving, knowing that many of our clients have depended on the jobs hardest hit during the pandemic closures. With so many facing hardship, the number served has swollen from a usual around 400 to **over 927 last week!** At the same time, the cadre of those able to volunteer has shrunk from a usual around 80 to

30. Yet God continues to provide and make the seemingly impossible possible. *Thank you Chet Hecht and all our volunteers and contributors!*



How can you help? Do you know someone healthy enough to safely volunteer? We have strict procedures in place to protect volunteers and clients. ***Can you make a special contribution to help with this vital Outreach?*** Please respond generously by sending an offering with N4N on the memo line. Or use the easyTithe link on the homepage of [www.stmargarets.org](http://www.stmargarets.org) and note your purpose. **Please note:** due to our volunteer constraints, we are unable to accept clothing at this time.





### **Let's Share Some Selfies!**

We are all missing each other, so let's share some photos to bridge the distance as we shelter-in-place. Email us fun photos of what you and/or your pets are doing while in sheltering. We'll share them and put together a slide show. Email them to Debby at [debbyj@stmargarets.org](mailto:debbyj@stmargarets.org)

*Here's a photo of Debby working on her garden!*

### **Parishioner Database Updates**

Debby is busy working on updating our database and we want to include an updated photo of you! Just email any favorite snapshot to Debby: [debbyj@stmargarets.org](mailto:debbyj@stmargarets.org). Have an updated phone number, address or email? Send those updates too!



### **Zoom with Us!**

If you would like to join a weekly Zoom group to share about how the weekly sermon or daily reflections connect with your life, please respond to [kathleenk@stmargarets.org](mailto:kathleenk@stmargarets.org). Zoom tutorials will be available! If you would like to facilitate a group, please let that be known as well.

### **New Forward Day by Day Devotional Booklets**

Even though we are not in church together, you can still access the new Forward Day by Day devotional booklets. The online version is available on their website [www.prayer.forwardmovement.org](http://www.prayer.forwardmovement.org), or contact Debby for help, and she will be sure you get one! [Debbyj@stmargarets.org](mailto:Debbyj@stmargarets.org)

