

**Service of Ante-Communion**  
**Sunday, April 18, 2021**  
The Third Sunday of Easter, Rite Two

**Prelude:**

**9:00am – “Veni Creator Spiritus” by Lani Smith**  
Greg Schreiner, Piano

**10:30am - “This Little Light of Mine” (Traditional Spiritual)**  
John-Kevin Hilbert, Piano

**Liturgy of the Word**

**Penitential Order**

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing (Truro)

Hymnal 182

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.

**OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 351)**

*(the Celebrant says)*

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

**CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 352)**

*(the Celebrant says)*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*(silence may be kept)*

***Celebrant 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.**

*(the Priest stands and says)*

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 224)**

*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.**

### **FIRST READING**

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."

*Reader*            Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

*(silence may follow)*

**PSALM: Psalm 4 (BCP p. 587)** (sung by a member of the choir with Refrain sung by all)

**Refrain**

Mode 7 

You have put glad-ness in my heart, O Lord.

*from Gradual Psalms for the RCL, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated.*

<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?”

**Refrain**

<sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; \*  
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

<sup>4</sup>Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

<sup>5</sup>Offer the appointed sacrifices, \*  
and put your trust in the LORD.

**Refrain**

<sup>6</sup>Many are saying,  
“Oh, that we might see better times!” \*  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.

<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

<sup>8</sup>I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

**Refrain**

**SECOND READING**

**(for 10:30 online service only)**

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.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
**People** **Thanks be to God.**

*(silence may follow)*

### HYMN

Bless'd Jesus, at thy word (Liebster Jesu)

Hymnal 440

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred  
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night  
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
 God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
 Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

**GOSPEL**

Luke 24:36b-48

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus 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."

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

**THE SERMON - The Rev. Katie Cadigan**  
*(a moment of silence is observed)*

**THE NICENE CREED (BCP p. 358)**  
*(the Officiant announces the 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.**

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 385)**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops, John and Diane, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.  
Pray for the Church.

*(silence)*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.  
Pray for justice and peace.

*(silence)*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.  
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*(silence)*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.  
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*(silence)*

I ask your prayers for the departed.  
Pray for those who have died.

*(silence)*

I ask your prayers of intercession or thanksgiving which you may offer privately or include in the comments.

*(silence)*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.  
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*(silence)*

*(the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect)*

*Loving God, you have glorified your Son Jesus and given him the name by which we are saved. Give us the courage to act in his name. Accept our praise, offered in his name, for we offer this prayer through and with and in Jesus, your Son and our Savior. **Amen.***

## **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

**9:00am - "Esurientes implevit bonis" (from Magnificat) Music by J.S. Bach**  
sung by Ariana Stultz, Alto; Greg Schreiner, Piano

**10:30am - "Jubilate Deo" Music by W.A. Mozart**  
sung by Holly Sedillos, Soprano; Jessica Berns-Garner, Soprano; Ariana Stultz, Alto;  
Kirk Garner, Tenor; Ben Greenberg, Baritone; Lewis Johnson, Bass  
John-Kevin Hilbert, Conductor

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)**

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



## ***Celebrant and People***

**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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **BLESSING (BCP p. 366)**

*(the Celebrant says)*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness (Finnian)

Hymnal 492



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,  
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to  
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -  
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior  
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,  
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,  
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your  
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the  
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the  
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.  
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.  
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.  
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

## THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**

*(then the ministers and the people greet one another in the name of the Lord)*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Postlude:

**9:00am – “The Strife is O’er” by Mark Weston**  
Greg Schreiner, Piano

**10:30am – “Postlude on a Classical Theme” by Gordon Young**  
Greg Schreiner