Third Sunday of The Easter Season

April 14, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.





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We seek to worship God, welcome all, and serve Christ in one another.

Welcome to St. Peter's Church! Our worship service can be found in the Red Book of Common Prayer, beginning on page 355. The hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal. Hymn numbers preceded by an "S" are service music, and can be found in the front of the hymnal. If you would like to use a kneeler, feel free to take one from the back wall of the sanctuary. Please keep cell phones silenced.

OPENING CHIME

A bell will chime to signal a period of silence so that we can center ourselves and prepare for worship.

The Word of God

Prelude

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Jacob Hintze

PROCESSIONAL

Salzburg

Hymn 174

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Sentences (said 3x)

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

The Lord is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Christ is risen from the dead

Hymn (sung 3x)



COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 of the Apostles 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."

PSALM 4

- 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.

GOSPEL GRADUAL

Celtic Alleluia

SPH 4

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24: 36b-48

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.

SERMON

The Rev. Jo Barrett

NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 387

EXCHANGE OF PEACE BCP 360

OFFERTORY CHORAL ANTHEM Now the Green Blade Riseth

HYMN 204

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS



LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All who yearn to be transformed and fed by God are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive communion but feel called to come forward for a blessing, please indicate so by crossing your arms across your chest. We have gluten free Eucharistic bread for people who are gluten intolerant.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

See the insert to the service bulletin.

SANCTUS S125

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNSursum CordaHymn 306POST COMMUNION HYMNIn the Bulb there is a FlowerSPH12

Prayer of Thanksgiving BCP 365

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL Victory Hymn 208 vs1,2,4,5

DISMISSAL BCP 366

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Our Parish Prayer List:

Dick Moher, Liz Lannigan, Bruce MacKay, Roberta Smith, Charles Boulanger, Jessica C, Jennifer G, Leah G, Bob Furtado, Karen Furtado, Prakash and Santhi Mathews, Robert Bringhurst, Anna Rich, Will Kullman, John, Benjamin, Marsha Boulanger, Bruce Burney, Louis Bellaud, Bill Lannigan, Kathleen Becker, Yvette Lascella, Dick Thompson, Ellen Walker, Susan Regal, Noela Thebodeau, Linda Bibeault, Ethel Neusch, Sharon, Deanie Reinhardt, Justina Trevorrow, Elaine Burris, Donald MacKay, Jean Mulhern, Brian Paciulan, Connie Reinhardt, Robert Robinson, Denny Bolis, Nancy Wood.

Names are kept on the prayer list for 30 days. Notify clergy if you wish to keep the name on for an additional 30 days.

Pray during this week for our parish families:

Robert and Virginia Guaraldi Peter and Cecilia Fernandex-Hall Beth and Gregory Gatteny

Prayer for Transition Team:

Help us to move forward in faith as we begin our journey to find our new Priest. Guide the members of the Transition Team and Vestry with love, helping them to listen, to question, and to consider each other's and the congregation's needs. We pray for our St. Peter's family. Help us to be grateful for all we have and to open our hearts and minds to all we can become. Calm our fears, save us from discouragement and help us to stay on course. May we find inspiration in your word and peace in our hearts during this time of change. Amen

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