



# The Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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*Deepening our relationships with God, each other,  
and the wider community.*

# The Holy Eucharist

## Rite II

Prelude: *That Easter day was bright* arr. Tracey Craig McKibbin

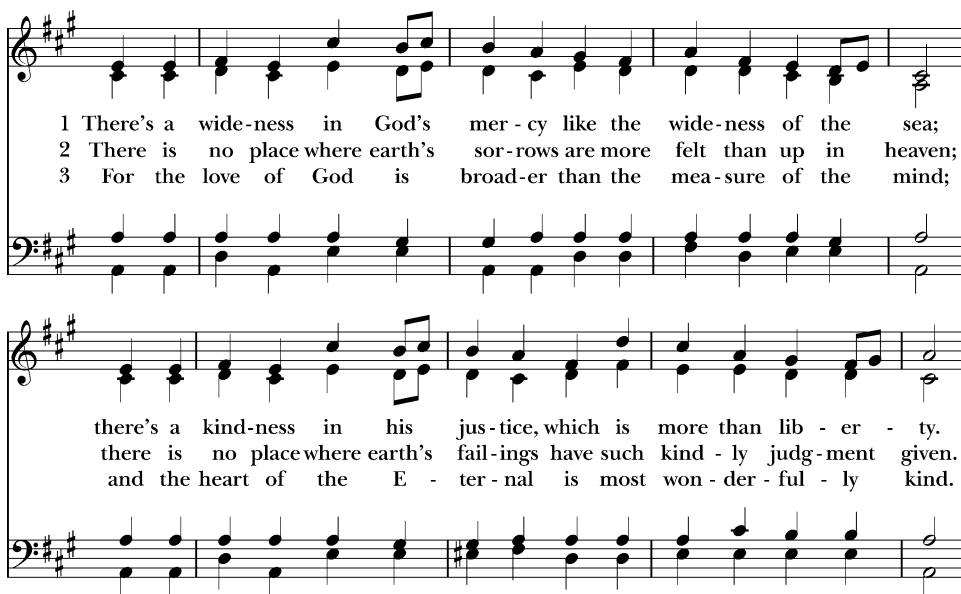
*Welcome and announcements.*

### Opening Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Hymn #470 *There's a wideness in God's mercy* (The Hymnal 1982)



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;  
3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib-er-ty.  
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.  
and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-ful-ly kind.

There is wel-come for the sin-ner, and more gra-ces for the good;  
 There is plen-ti-ful re-demp-tion in the blood that has been shed;  
 If our love were but more faith-ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer-cy with the Sa-vior; there is heal-ing in his blood.  
 there is joy for all the mem-bers in the sor-rows of the Head.  
 and our life would be thanks-giv-ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

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*The Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

***Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis***

*Wonder, Love, and Praise #900*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heav'nly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

*The collect of the day is found in the insert.*

## The Lessons

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 3:12-19. - *see insert.*

Psalm 4. - *see insert.*

A Reading from the First Book of John 3:1-7. - *see insert.*

### Halle, Halle, Hallelujah: *Gospel Acclamation*

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

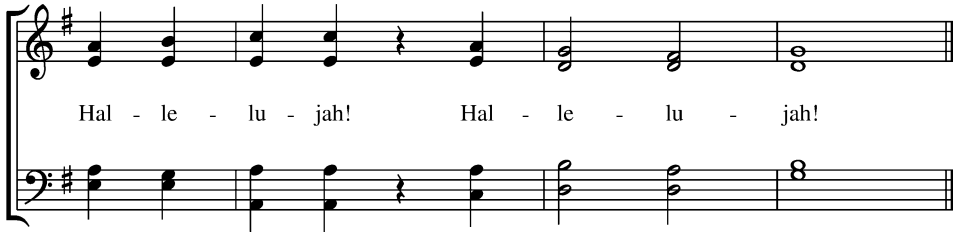
The first system of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. It consists of a treble and bass staff joined by a brace on the left. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody in the treble staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass staff provides accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!' are written below the treble staff.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!  
Hal - le - lu - jah!

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!' are written below the treble staff, with a second line of lyrics 'Hal - le - lu - jah!' appearing under the final notes of the first line.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

The third system of musical notation, which concludes the piece. It features the same treble and bass staff arrangement and key signature. The melody and accompaniment lead to a final cadence. The lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!' are written below the treble staff.



The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 24:36b-48  
**Glory to you Lord Christ.**

*The Gospel reading is found in the insert.*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you Lord Christ.**

The Sermon            Fr. Rick Swanson

### **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.

### The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Shannon our Bishop; and  
for all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

Hear us, Lord;  
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in  
your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**



We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.*

## **The Peace**

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The clergy and people exchange greetings with one another in the name of the Lord.*

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Hymn #181

*Awake and sing the song*

*(The Hymnal 1982)*

*Descant*

4 Soon shall each rap - tured tongue his

1 A - wake and sing the song of

2 Sing of his dy - ing love, his

3 You pil - grims on the road to

4 Soon shall each rap - tured tongue his

end - less praise pro - claim, and sing in sweet - er

Mo - ses and the Lamb; wake ev - ery heart and

re - sur - rec - tion power; sing how he in - ter -

Zi - on's ci - ty, sing, re - joic - ing in the

end - less praise pro - claim, and sing in sweet - er

notes the song of Mo - ses and the Lamb.

ev - ery tongue to praise the Sa - vior's name.  
 cedes a - - bove for those whose sins he bore.  
 Lamb of God, in Christ the e - ter - nal King.  
 notes the song of Mo - ses and the Lamb.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

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

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of  
 glory and praise.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

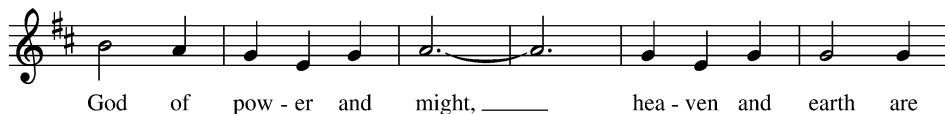
**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na \_\_\_\_\_ in the high - est.

Blessed is the one  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - san - na \_\_\_\_\_ in the high - est.

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And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob;  
God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see  
your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the  
presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for  
strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of  
this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ,  
that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our  
great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your  
Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to  
generation. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we sing,

F C<sup>6</sup> F Dm<sup>7</sup> F/C B<sup>b</sup>

piano Our Fa - ther in hea-ven, — hal - low-ed

8 Gm<sup>7</sup> C(sus4) C<sup>7</sup> A<sup>b</sup>(sus2) D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>

be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be

14 D<sup>b</sup> G G<sup>7</sup> C C<sup>7</sup> F

done, on earth as it is in heav'n. Give us to-

20 C/F F B<sup>b</sup> F F<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup> F/A

day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins — as

25 Gm<sup>7</sup> F C Dm B<sup>b</sup>

we for - give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the

30 Am B<sup>b</sup> Am E<sup>b</sup>

time of trial, de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king -

35 F E<sup>b</sup> F E<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> Gm<sup>7</sup>

dom and the glo - ry are yours, — now and for-

41 C B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>(sus2) Gm<sup>7</sup>(sus4) F

ev - er. — A - - men. —

*The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, then says,*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The Celebrant then says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy food for holy people. Come, the banquet is prepared for you.

*The journey of life leads all people into a relationship with God. All present, from the youngest to the most senior, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive the bread, please hold out your hand for the wafer. For sanitary purposes, please sip from the chalice and do not dip the wafer into the wine. If you wish to receive the wine in an individual cup, please tell the chalice bearer. If you wish to come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.*

**Communion Instrumental**     *Hallelujah*     *Leonard Cohen*

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Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**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

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

### Hymn #193 *That Easter day with joy was bright* (The Hymnal 1982)



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the  
2 His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his  
3 O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, do  
4 O Lord of all, with us a - bide in  
5 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing  
2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn  
3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee  
4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon  
5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther



1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.  
3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.  
4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.  
5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

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## The Dismissal

Let us bless go forth in the name of the Risen Lord.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude: *He's got the whole world in his hands* Emma Lou Diemer

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*Thank you for your gift of flowers to adorn  
the Altar this Easter Season at  
St John's in the Mountains.*

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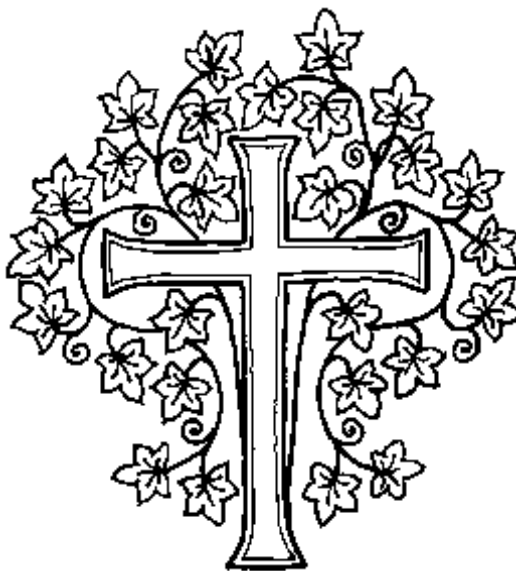
David Small, in memory of Frances Small, Eleanor & Knowlton Small

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**May you have a blessed Eastertide.  
Alleluia, Christ is risen!**

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



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