

The Third Sunday of Easter



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Prelude Jesus Christus, unser Heiland, der den Tod überwand

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Jesus Christ our Savior, who overcame death,
has arisen and has taken sin captive. Kyrie eleison.*

Entrance Hymn

Christ is alive!

Hymnal 182

Truro

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.

Easter Acclamation

Leader Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

Leader 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 13 A Song of Praise

John Rutter

1. Glo-ry to you, Lord God of our fa-thers; you are wor-thy of
praise; glo-ry to you. 2. Glo-ry to you for the ra - di-ance of your
ho - ly - Name; we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev-er.

3. Glo-ry to you in the splen - dor of your tem-ple; on the throne of your
ma - jes-ty, glo-ry to you. 4. Glo-ry to you, seat-ed be - tween the Cher - u -
bim; we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev-er. 5. Glo-ry to
you, be - hold-ing the depths; in the high vault of hea-ven, glo-ry to you.

6. Glo-ry to you, Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi-rit; We will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

The Collect of the Day

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

Leader 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.*

The First Lesson

Acts 3:12-19

Reader 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 The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence

Psalm 4

John Joubert



- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, de/fender of my / cause; *
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on / me and / hear my / prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dis/honor my / glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and / run after / false / gods? "
- 3 Know that the Lord does / wonders for the / faithful; *
when I call upon the / Lord, / he will / hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and / do not / sin; *
speak to your heart in / silence up/on your / bed.
- 5 Offer the ap/pointed / sacrifices *
And / put your / trust in the / Lord.
- 6 Many are saying,
"Oh, that we might see / better / times!" *
Lift up the light of your / countenance up/on us, O / Lord.
- 7 You have put / gladness in my / heart, *
more than when grain and / wine and / oil in/crease.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I / fall a/sleep; *
for only you, Lord, / make me / dwell in / safety.

Reader 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 The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

*Sing praise to our Creator,
Christus, der ist mein Leben*

Hymnal 295

1 Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, O you of Ad-am's race—
2 To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's co - e - ter - nal Son;
3 And praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit poured forth up - on the earth;

God's chil - dren by a - dop - tion, bap - tized in - to his grace.
as mem - bers of his Bo - dy we live in him as one.
who sanc - ti - fies and guides us, made strong in our re - birth.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system contains three lines of lyrics. The second system contains three lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and some melodic lines.

The Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

Leader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Leader 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.

Leader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Rachel Wenner Gardner

The Nicene Creed

All 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, Form III

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

***People* That we all may be one.**

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

***People* That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

***People* That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

***People* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

***People* That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

***People* That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

***People* Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

***People* May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Celebrant Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, especially James, Ashley, Barbara, Octavia, the Tokley Family, Jess, Brooke, John, Peter, Barbara, Robert, Maggie, Rudi, Ruben, John, Nancy, Emily, Brad & Family, Natasha, Mihayo, MomMom Carol, Emily, Jennifer, Rayelenn, Gordon, Joel,

Alyssa, Otis, Valeria, Beth, Devon, Eleanor, Julie, Janette, Jerry's Family, and Jim.

We pray the prayers our children have asked for especially: for our neighbors whom we have not seen in a while; for the safety of those who are back at school and energy for those who remain in virtual school; for the health and safety of our dedicated teachers; for peace in our cities and safety in our communities; and that all the children stuck at the border may be reunited with family.

You are invited to share your own prayers at this time.

Silence

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Leader 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. (1 John 3:1-4)

Offertory Hymn

*Awake, arise, lift up your voice,
Richmond*

Hymnal 212

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let
 2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the
 3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in
 4 His en - e - mies had sealed the stone as
 5 O Dead a - rise! O Friend - less stand by

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - jice in Christ, a -
 2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their
 3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to
 4 Pi - late gave them leave, lest dead and friend - less
 5 ser - a - phim a - dored! O Sol - i - tude a -

1 gain re - jice and on his prais - es dwell.
 2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,
 3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.
 4 and a - lone he should their skill de - ceive.
 5 gain com - mand your host from heaven re - stored!

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Leader Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Leader It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Ronald Arnatt

All
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

The Choir alone *All*
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Leader We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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.**

The Fraction Anthem

Christ our Passover

Owen Burdick

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is divided into three parts: 'Cantor' (3/4 time), 'Choir' (4/4 time), and 'Congregation & Choir' (4/4 time). The lyrics are: 'Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia.' The second staff continues the lyrics: 'Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac - ri-ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the'. The third staff concludes with: 'feast. Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia.' The time signature changes from 3/4 to 4/4 and back to 3/4.

Leader The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (*St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787*)

Communion Hymn

Come, risen Lord,
Rosedale

Hymnal 305

Descant

3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay,
2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met; thou
3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one
4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee, who

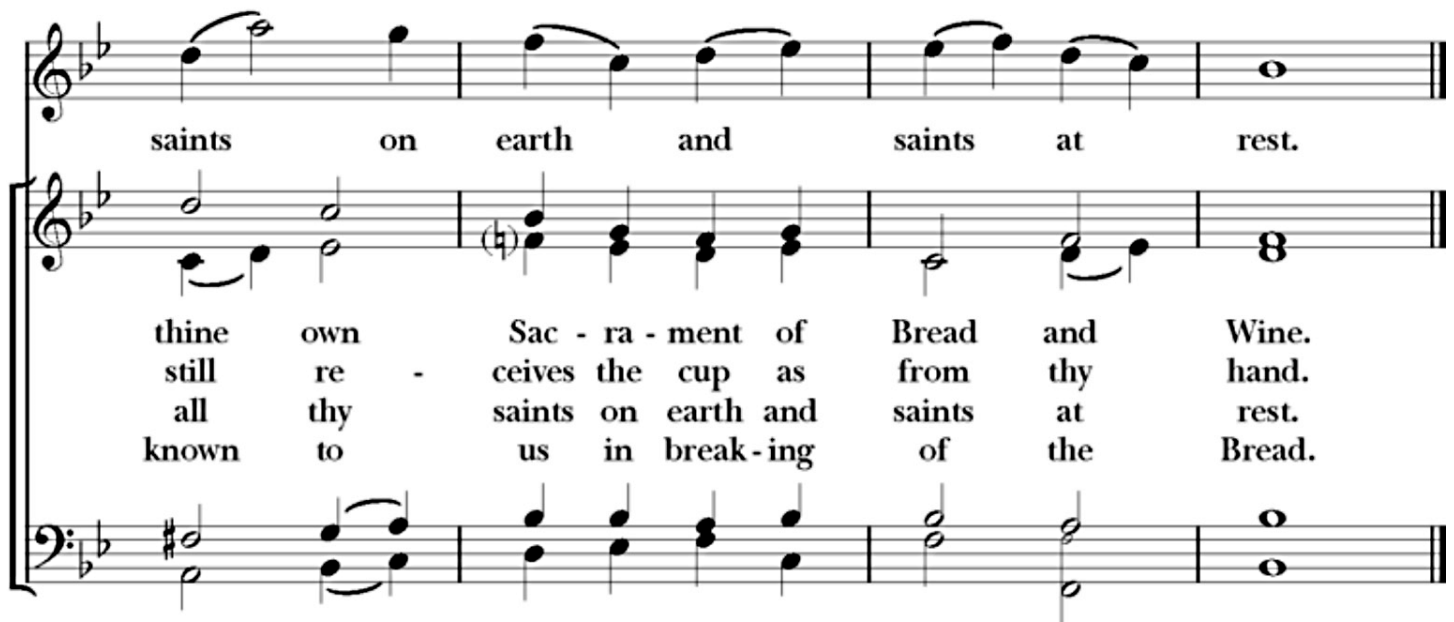
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Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest; one Name we

let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:
Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest;
art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

bear, ————— one Bread of life we break, with all thy

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest in
"This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet: faith
one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with
then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see; be



saints on earth and saints at rest.

thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
 all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
 known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

Post Communion Prayer

Leader Let us pray.

All 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

Leader The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

The Closing Hymn *That Easter day with joy was bright,* **Hymnal 193**
Puer Nobis



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.

The Dismissal

Leader Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

Postlude: Christ lag in Todesbanden

Johann Sebastian Bach

Christ lay in death's fetters, given up for our sin. He rose again and brought us life. Therefore let us be glad, praise and thank God, and sing Alleluia! Alleluia!

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