

The Third Sunday of Easter  
Liturgy of the Word

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**ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN**

*Christ is Risen!*

*Alleluia!*

## Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

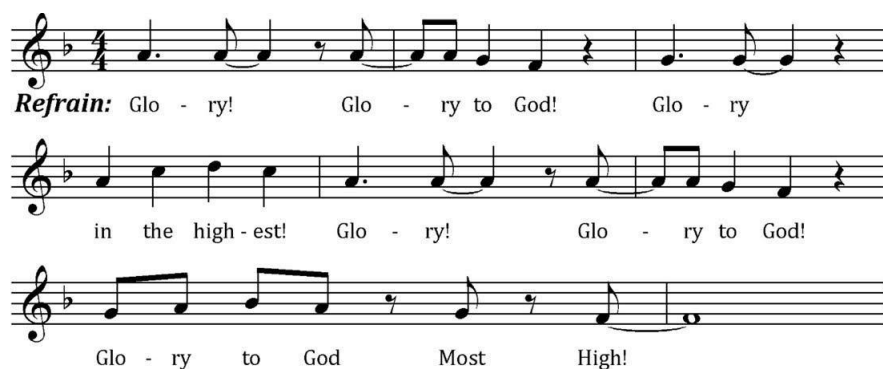
## Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

**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.**

## Song of Praise

Jesse Manibusan



**Refrain:** Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God! Glo - ry  
in the high - est! Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God!  
Glo - ry to God Most High!

*Choir:*

O God, Holy One, almighty God and Father, we worship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory! **Refrain:**

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Holy One, Redeemer,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. **Refrain:**

You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High God, with the Spirit in the glory to God! **Refrain:**

## The Collect of the Day

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

## WORD

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 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."

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

### 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.**

## A Reading from the First Letter of John

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.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Alleluia: *Celtic Hallelujah*

John Reager

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

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

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.

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

## **The Homily**

### **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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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**

Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to your church, O God, that we might serve you with courage and grace. Awake, O Church, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to your world, O God, that all might know the goodness of your love. Awake, O World, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to our nation, O God, that each person might share and honor the other. Awake, O People, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change for the suffering, O God, that they might know your saving help. Awake, O Sorrowful, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to even the departed, O God, that they might forever grow in your likeness. Awake, O Saints, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to our hearts, O God, that we might grow larger in faith and hope. Awake, O Soul, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new. Rise and live, says the Lord. This day God has made for life and all joy!  
Amen, alleluia!

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**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 Peace**

May the peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**Welcome & Announcements****SENDING****The Blessing**

May the God who formed all things in Love, draw you near to God's own heart, empower you by the power of the Spirit to live the Way of Love with fellow travelers, and send you to participate in the resurrection and healing of God's world.

And may the blessing of our Lord - loving, liberating, and live-giving - be with you and remain with you forever. Amen.

**Processional:** *Christ is alive!* (v. 1,2,5)

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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.

**The Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of christ, alleluia, alleluia!

**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**