# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## The Third Sunday of Easter

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN | MAY 1, 2022 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Ava Maris Stella, Nicolas de Grigny (1672-1703)

Please stand as the bell sounds.



#### HYMN IN PROCESSION

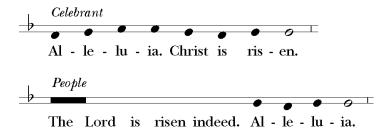




Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION said at the 9am liturgy; sung at the 11am liturgy



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#### SONG OF PRAISE



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#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant intones

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

God of Life, in your risen Son you reveal your abiding presence among us and summon those reborn in baptism to lives of worship and service. Fill this assembly with reverence as we come before you in prayer. Grant us courage and zeal in bearing witness before the world to your Son, Jesus Christ, the first-born from the dead, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

THE LESSON Acts 9:1-6

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM said at 9am; sung by the Choir at 11am

Psalm 30: 1-6, 12-13

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up \* and have not let my enemies triumph over me .

O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \* and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; \* you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; \* give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \* his favor for a lifetime.

Weeping may spend the night, \* but joy comes in the morning.

You have turned my wailing into dancing; \* you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \* O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Anglican chant: Ray Francis Brown (1897-1964)

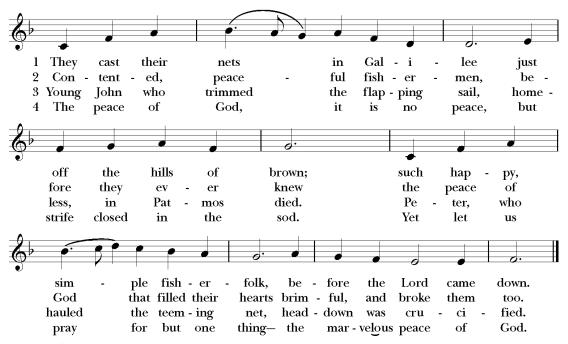
THE EPISTLE Revelation 5:11-14

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL HYMN standing; all turn toward the Gospel as it is brought among the People



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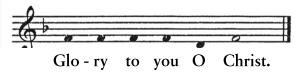
Music: Georgetown, David McKinley Williams (1887-1978)

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THE GOSPEL John 21:1-19

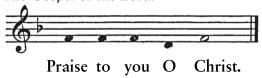
The Deacon or Priest intones:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.



Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON Katie Kirk, Seminarian

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

During the season of Eastertide we will use the Affirmation of Faith (Creed) from one of our companion churches in the Anglican Communion, the Church of New Zealand. The prayers of this branch of the church are beloved throughout the Communion for their simple, direct, and creation-centered language in liturgy.

You O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love to us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.

You are our God. We worship you.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of new creation, you promise to hear and answer when we pray to you in faith.

With confidence and trust we pray now for the world:

Lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

We pray for the Church:

Spirit of truth, enliven the Church for its mission

that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Breathe fresh life into your people.

Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

We pray for this community:

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others, that all may act with integrity and courage.

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

We pray for those in need, and especially those who have asked for our prayers...

Please add your own prayers, aloud or silently.

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

May they know the power of your healing love.

Make us willing agents of your compassion.

Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.

We remember those who have died and those who mourn: [especially for...]

Please add your own prayers, aloud or silently.

Give comfort, O God, to those who grieve.

Bring them peace in their time of loss.

We give thanks for the faithful in every generation.

May their example inspire our witness in our own day.

The Celebrant concludes

Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life; grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

Amen.

#### THE PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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#### ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY (sung by the Choir at 11:00 am)

Exsultate, justi, in Domino; rectos decet collaudatio.
Confitemini Domino in cithara; in psalterio decem chordarum psallite illi.
Cantate ei canticum novum; bene psallite ei in vociferatione.
Exsultate, justi, in Domino; rectos decet collaudatio.

Rejoice, you righteous, in the Lord; it is fitting for the just to give praise. Give praise to the Lord on the harp; sing to him on the ten stringed psaltery. Sing to him a new song; it is good to praise him with a loud noise. Rejoice, you righteous, in the Lord; it is fitting for the just to give praise.

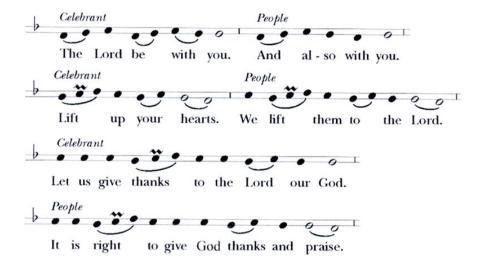
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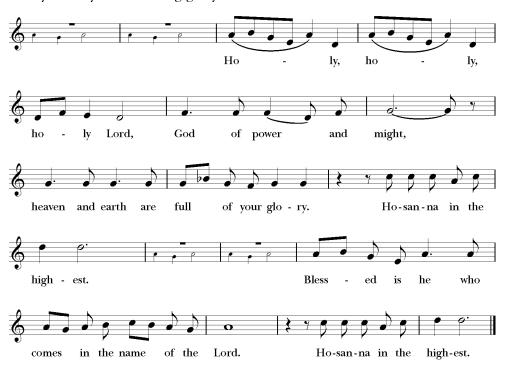
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#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Worship and praise belong to you, author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores our broken world. You are unceasingly at work bringing order from chaos and filling emptiness with life. Christ raised from the dead proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light. Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love. As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:



William Mathias (1934-1992)

#### The Celebrant continues

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter your glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the garden the truth shone clear that he whom they had loved and lost was with them in in every place for ever. Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishers on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence, and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on your daughters and sons.

On the night when he was given up to death, knowing that his hour had come, having loved his own, he loved them to the end. At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat, this is my body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



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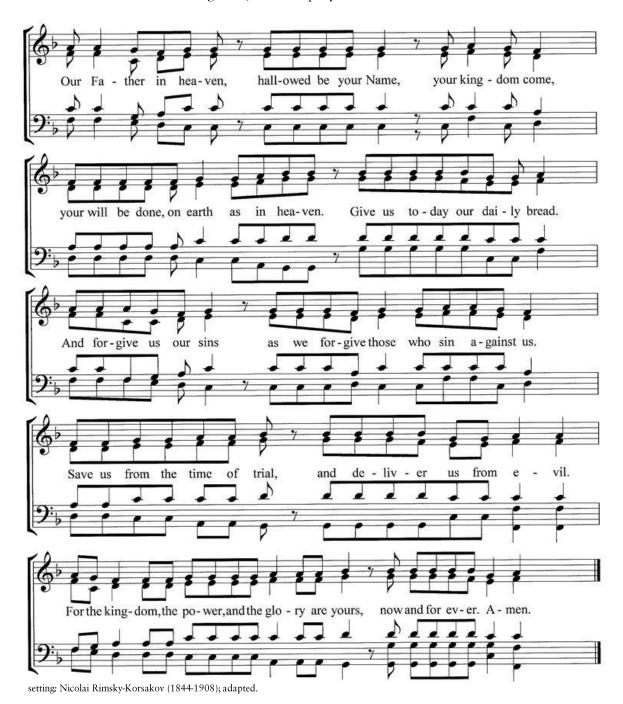
Alive in him, we recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your kingdom. Help us who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work for your praise and glory; that we may grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, the apostles and prophets, and of all the saints. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.



Will Doreza

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



#### THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to Communion, saying

Alleluia. The disciples knew the Lord Jesus

in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia.

These are the gifts of God for you, the People of God.

Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.

All sing together as the distribution of Communion begins.



Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us,

therefore let us keep the fea - st.



Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and e - vil,



but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth,

Al - le - lu - ia.

Dorothy Jean Papadakos (b. 1960)

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION

(sung by the Choir at 11:00 am)

### Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1564); tr. Richard Massie (1800-1887), alt.

Music: Christ lag in Todesbanden, melody from Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, 1524; adapt. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION standing

The People join the Celebrant for the final part of the prayer, in bold.

Ever-living God, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and revealed the way to life in his name. Dying and rising, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope that you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Amen.

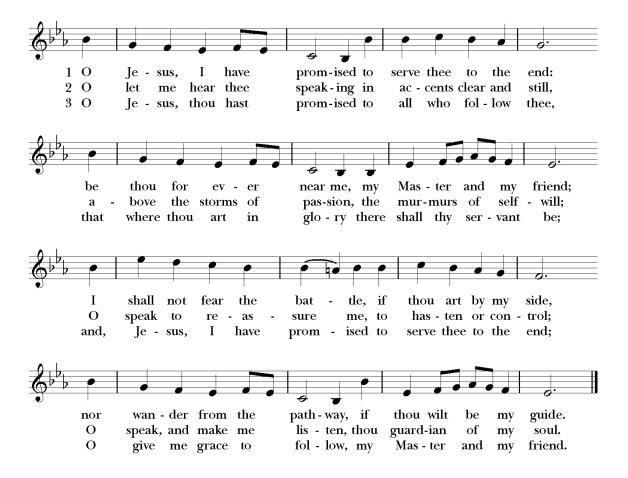
#### THE BLESSING

The wonder and wildness of God, who shakes heaven and earth, whom death could not contain, who lives to disturb and heal us, bless you with power to go forth and proclaim the Gospel.

And the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you now and remain with you always.

Amen.

#### HYMN IN PROCESSION



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#### THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in G Major - Nicolaus Bruhns (1637 –1718)

## THE WORSHIP IS OVER - THE SERVICE BEGINS

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