

The Third Sunday of Easter Saturday, April 13, 2024 (5:30pm) Sunday, April 14, 2024 (8:00 & 10:30am) Celebrants – The Rev. Tom Pumphrey (5:30pm)

The Rev. Elisa Harres (8:00 & 10:30am)

Our Mission is Growing Disciples of Jesus Christ

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Voluntary Opening Hymn 193 Entrada and Exuberance That Easter Day with Joy was Bright Magaret Tucker

**Acclamation** (also on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People

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.** 

## Song of Praise



by George Mann

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

Celebrant 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.** 

# The First Reading - 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."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 4 (said responsively by half verse)

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.

# The 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Hymn 174 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

**Children's Chapel (10:30)** Children through second grade are invited to an adult-led worship specifically for children in the Creation Chapel. They will return in time to share the Peace and Holy Communion.

Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

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

People 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.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon, The Rev. Tom Pumphrey

The Nicene Creed (also on page 358 in the Book of Common Prayer)

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 (please stand as you are able during Easter season)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Rob and Don, our Bishops; Tom and Elisa, our priests; and for all bishops, priests and deacons

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

We pray for our Nation and its people

That we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will.

We pray for Joseph, our president and Brian, our governor and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble,

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest,

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and for those of others. (please add your prayers)

We thank you Lord for the blessings of this life. (please add your thanksgivings)

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession, kneeling, as you are able (also on page 360 in the Book of Common Prayer)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Absolution

The Exchange of the Peace of Jesus Christ

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you

People And also with you!

# The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Music

#### When Christ Broke Bread

arr. From Handel

### Presentation Hymn

## Doxology (Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B (page 367 in the Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

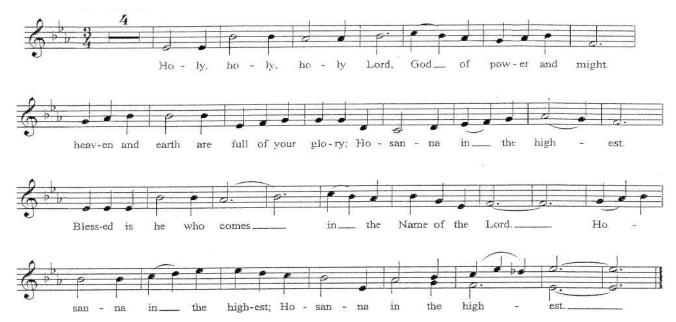
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up our hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord. Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues...



The people remain standing (as you are able). (also on page 368 in the Book of Common Prayer) The Celebrant continues...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues...

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The people join in concluding: "A - MEN!"

## The Lord's Prayer

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 Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem Hymn S-171



Cantor The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. (Antiphon) Cantor One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. (Antiphon)

### The Communion

All are welcome at the table either to receive the blessing of the church if you are not baptized (please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest), or to share in communion with Christ and his church if you are a baptized Christian of any age or any denomination. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymn (please join in singing these with the choir)

Improvisation on "That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" 306 Come, Risen Lord, and Deign to Be Our Guest

Eucharistic Visitor Blessing (We send the sacrament to those who are infirm and cannot attend.)

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. Go with the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation to our sisters and brothers who cannot be with us in this place, bringing refreshment to those who are weary, and all for God's glory in the Communion of Saints. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer (also in the Book of Common Prayer, page 366)

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## Blessing

Closing Hymn 182 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Dismissal

Priest Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Closing Voluntary Prelude on "Salzburg" Johann Pachelbel

# Events & Announcements for the Week of April 14th

Our Mission is Growing Disciples of Jesus Christ.
God has a vision for us as a Christian Community, empowered by the Holy Spirit, active in:

RSVP Now! - Celebration for Mother Elisa Harres: Sunday, May 5 - Mother Elisa Harres, who has served this church faithfully for fifteen years, will retire this Spring. Sunday, May 5, will be her last Sunday with us. She will preach and preside at the Baptism of her grandchildren, and we will have a celebration reception in her honor following the 10:30 service. *Please RSVP by April 29*<sup>th</sup> at: https://bit.ly/spspmotherelisa

Youth Braves Outing! - The SPSP youth are getting together for a Braves game!! Don't miss it!

When: April 28, 2024 (Directly After Church) Cost: \$25 per student Leader Contact: Brandon Dasinger (470-560-5127)

What To Bring: Money For Food | Register for Your Youth at <a href="https://bit.ly/spspbraves24">https://bit.ly/spspbraves24</a>

Cobb County Elections - is in immediate need of Poll workers for the upcoming Election at St. Peter & St. Paul on June 21. Please use the following link to apply. For additional information, please contact Patricia Miller, Area Supervisor @ 404-313-1513. https://www.cobbcounty.org/elections/employment/election-day-poll-worker-jobs

# Worship of God

**Prayer in the Sanctuary** - Join Camie and Mother Elisa every Tuesday at 2pm as we pray for the needs and concerns of our Parish. We will meet in the north side altar of the sanctuary. Please contact Camie if you have any questions.

**Morning Prayer** – Join us for Morning Prayer every Monday at 7am and stay for a Bible study on the passage of the day. You can join in person in the Garden Room or on Zoom. Contact: Chuck Matheson.

**Evening Prayer -** Thursday nights at 7:00 PM starting on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Come join Acolytes!** Adults, and teens fifth grade and above are welcome to share in this worship ministry. Contact Angela Ellis or the church office for more details.

Sermons on Spotify - Missed a Sunday? Wanted to hear a sermon again? We are excited to announce that our sermons are now on the Spotify platform, which not only gives you the audio, you can also watch the sermon as well! View or listen to the sermons here: https://bit.ly/spspspotify

## Discipleship for All Ages

A Night for Young Families: Food, Friends, & Fellowship – Save the date for this wonderful event on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - A gathering for all young families to join together for fellowship and fun. Dinner and childcare will be provided.

RSVP @ https://bit.ly/spspdinner2024. Call or email (cschade@peterandpaul.org) Camie with any questions.

#### Serving Christ in the World

Safeguarding God's Children Training -April 14th (12pm-3pm in Creation Chapel) Lunch will be a part of the training. Safeguarding God's Children (SGC) is a training program for child sexual abuse awareness. Our youth minister, Brandon Dasinger, will be teaching the program, which provides participants information they need to protect the children they know and care for in their personal lives and in the ministries in which they serve. This training is required by our Diocese for our Vestry, Staff, and volunteers who serve in our youth and children's ministries. Please email Brandon if you will be able to attend (bdasinger@peterandpaul.org).

