

The Third Sunday of Easter

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Holy Communion: Rite One



Episcopal Church of the
**GOOD
SHEPHERD**

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Aria

Gerre Hancock

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MISSION MOMENT

ACCLAMATION [Priest/ Congregation]

[Please stand.]

- Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

GATHERING PRAYER

- We gather in the name of our Easter God:
- Our Risen Lord transforms darkness into light, hatred into tolerance, despair into hope.**
- We rejoice in the power of our Easter God:
- Our Father's love redeems every Good Friday nightmare into the promise of eternal life.**
- We embrace the purposes of our Easter God:
- The Holy Spirit challenges us to leave tomb-like safety and invites us to live our faith boldly.**
- We are Easter people:
- We are a sign that indeed miracles happen, and that with God, all things are possible.**

GLORIA

- ☩** **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards all.**
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
☩ **And with thy Spirit.**
P Let us pray... Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
☩ **Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS: Ezekiel 34:11–16 • Psalm 30 • Revelation 5:11–14 • John 21:1–19

[Please be seated.]

The First Reading

- L** *The First Reading is taken from Ezekiel, chapter 34...*

The Lord God proclaims: I myself will search for my flock and seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out the flock when some in the flock have been scattered, so will I seek out my flock. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered during the time of clouds and thick darkness. I will gather and lead them out from the countries and peoples, and I will bring them to their own fertile land. I will feed them on Israel's highlands, along the riverbeds, and in all the inhabited places. I will feed them in good pasture, and their sheepfold will be there, on Israel's lofty highlands. On Israel's highlands, they will lie down in a secure fold and feed on green pastures. I myself will feed my flock and make them lie down. This is what the Lord God says. I will seek out the lost, bring back the strays, bind up the wounded, and strengthen the weak. But the fat and the strong I will destroy, because I will tend my sheep with justice.

- L** The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: *[read responsively, L Lector/☩ congregation]*

- L** *We will read responsively from Psalm 30...*

- L** 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.**
- ℣ While I felt secure, I said, I shall never be disturbed.
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
- ☩ **Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.**
- ℣ I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- ☩ **"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?**
- ℣ Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."
- ☩ **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.

The Second Reading:

- ℣ *The Second Reading is taken from Revelation, chapter 5...*
Then I looked, and I heard the sound of many angels surrounding the throne,
the living creatures, and the elders. They numbered in the millions—thousands upon
thousands. They said in a loud voice,
 "Worthy is the slaughtered Lamb
 to receive power, wealth, wisdom, and might,
 and honor, glory, and blessing."
And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the
sea—I heard everything everywhere say,
 "Blessing, honor, glory, and power belong to the one seated on the throne
 and to the Lamb forever and always."
Then the four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshipped.
- ℣ The Word of the Lord.
- ☩ **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel:

[Please stand.]

- ℣ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
- ☩ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**
- ℣ Later, Jesus himself appeared again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. This is how it
happened: Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee,
Zebedee's sons, and two other disciples were together. Simon Peter told them, "I'm
going fishing."
They said, "We'll go with you." They set out in a boat, but throughout the night
they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples
didn't realize it was Jesus.
Jesus called to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?"
They answered him, "No."

He said, "Cast your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some."

So they did, and there were so many fish that they couldn't haul in the net. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard it was the Lord, he wrapped his coat around himself (for he was naked) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they weren't far from shore, only about one hundred yards.

When they landed, they saw a fire there, with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you've just caught." Simon Peter got up and pulled the net to shore. It was full of large fish, one hundred fifty-three of them. Yet the net hadn't torn, even with so many fish. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples could bring themselves to ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread, and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they finished eating, Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"

Simon replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." Jesus asked a second time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Simon replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep." He asked a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was sad that Jesus asked him a third time, "Do you love me?" He replied, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. I assure you that when you were younger you tied your own belt and walked around wherever you wanted. When you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and another will tie your belt and lead you where you don't want to go." He said this to show the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. After saying this, Jesus said to Peter, "Follow me."

Ⓓ The Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

Becky Robbins-Penniman

[Please be seated.]

NICENE CREED

[Please stand.]

☩ **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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[Sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.]

D Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

L Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity; Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Becky, our Rector; Cindy, our Deacon; Ann, our Priest Associate; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese: Church of the Holy Spirit, Safety Harbor; All Saints, Tarpon Springs; St. Giles, Pinellas Park; to the Clearwater Deanery Collaboration Partners; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially President Trump, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor *[Add handwritten names from notebook]* and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. *[Leave time...]* We pray in faith. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for the flowers given today in loving memory of Gladys Dutton by her family and for all the blessings of this life, [especially... read from notebook]. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially... add names from notebook]. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. [Leave time...] We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Risen Lord,

G **hear our prayer.**

L Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

G **Amen.**

PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

THE PEACE

[Please stand.]

P The peace of the Lord be always with you.

G **And with thy spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

D Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. Bring your tithes, gifts and offerings with a gladsome heart.

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

[Please stand when the offerings of bread, wine, and money are presented by the Deacon.]

D As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge:

G **All things come from thee, O Lord and of thine own have we given thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

P The Lord be with you.

G **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

G **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

G **It is meet and right so to do.**

¶ It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

☩ **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

¶ All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

☩ **And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;**

¶ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

☩ **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P** And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
- C** **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- P** Alleluia. God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.
- C** **We come with joy to the Supper of the Lamb of God. Alleluia.**

- P** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

[You may be seated. All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn to go to the altar rail. You may stand or kneel. To receive, hold your hands in front of you, one palm over the other. The priest will place a wafer there. You may either consume it immediately, and then sip from the cup of wine when it comes to you, or, you may wait and dip the wafer into the wine. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]

Our Prayer Team will be in the south narthex (at the back of the church) during Holy Communion to pray with you for healing, guidance, a loved one, or anything else on your heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- P** Let us pray.
- C** **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

[Please stand.]

- P** The God who is creating a new heaven and a new earth, who walks where least expected, who disturbs the comfortable and comforts the distressed, and whom death could not control, now sends you out to announce with your lives that the Lord is risen indeed. Go, you are blessed in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve our Risen Lord!
- C** **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**