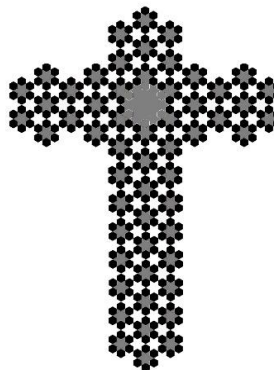


# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14, 2024

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**Restrooms:** Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

**We have gluten-free wafers available:** Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

**Standing, sitting, and kneeling:** Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### **VOLUNTARY**

Two Settings on “Now the Green Blade Rises”  
(see the hymn at H-204 in *The Hymnal, 1982*)

Robert Lind  
David Cherwien

*During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]*

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN H-182**

Christ Is Alive

TRURO

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.**

**Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,  
he comes to claim the here and now and conquer every place and time.**

**Not throned above, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains,  
but daily, in the midst of life, our Savior with the Father reigns.**

**In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn or wealth divide,  
he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.**

**Christ is alive! His Spirit burns through this and every future age,  
till all creation lives and learns his joy, his justice, love, and praise.**

### **THE OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*All* **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.**

### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S-280**

Robert Powell

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*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.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

*The people sit.*

### THE FIRST READING

Acts 3:12-19

*Lector* *The First Reading is taken from Acts Chapter 3...*

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."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**O God, defender of the poor, have mercy when I pray:  
you listened to my prayer before—Lord, hear my prayer today,  
you listened to my prayer before—Lord hear my prayer today!**

**While many pray that you will bless and bring them all they need,  
unless they long for holiness, their prayers are vain indeed;  
unless they long for holiness, their prayers are vain indeed.**

**Your light, O Lord, let us receive; your face within us shine,  
for richer is the joy you give than all their grain and wine;  
for richer is the joy you give than all their grain and wine.**

**THE SECOND READING**

1 John 3:1-7

*Lector*        *The Second Reading is taken from First John chapter 3....*

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.

*Lector*        **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able.*

**THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION H-174**

SALZBURG

**Easter triumph, Easter joy, these alone do sin destroy.  
from sin's power do thou set free soul's newborn, O Lord, in thee.  
Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise:  
risen Lord, all praise to thee with the Spirit ever be.**

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:36b-48

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Deacon* 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.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON** *The people sit.*

Mr. Matthew Bowers

Director of Youth Ministry & Programming  
Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Florida

**NICENE CREED** *All stand as able.*

*People* **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 sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Lector* Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Mary Ann Man, Judy Warner, Rhiannon Sharpe, and Linda Ruthig, and the anniversary this coming week of Phil and Carol Beauchamp.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . . [add names from notebook] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [*add names from notebook*]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time*] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Please be seated.*

### OFFERTORY

At the Font We Start Our Journey

Scott M. Hyslop  
Choir

### THE PRESENTATION

*All stand as able.*

*Deacon* We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

### PRESENTATION HYMN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant adds a proper preface.*

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:

*All*

S-125

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 Jesus 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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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.

*People*           **Amen.**



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-155

Gerald R. Near

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
*All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the  
Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.  
If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

## COMMUNION

Meditation on O FILII ET FILIAE

Denis Bédard

## COMMUNION HYMN H-174

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

SALZBURG

*(Stanza 1, 2, 3)*

**At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred Blood for wine,  
gives his Body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.**

**Where the Paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, Paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.**

**Mighty victim from on high, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;  
thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:  
now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall;  
thou hast opened paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.**

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Let us pray...

*All* 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.

## THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN H-205      Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!      GELOBT SEI GOTT

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

The Lord of life is ris'n today; death's mighty stone is rolled away;  
let every tongue rejoice and say: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

We praise in songs of victory that Love, that Life, which cannot die,  
and sing with hearts uplifted high: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

## VOLUNTARY

Recessional on Two Easter Hymns

René Quignard  
(1887-1978)

## SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Preacher	Matthew Bowers
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Nancy Vallely
Torch/Chalicists	Laura McGary & Tammi Wrest
Lectors	Sheila Scott & Sally Miller
Prayers of the People	Laura McGary
Ushers	Crystal Collyer, Ayden Watson, Tiffany Walker and Marc Jacobson
Building & Grounds	Robin Megel
Welcome Table	Robin Megel, Lynne Henderson, Anne Punch

**Prayers are requested for:**

**The Week of April 7** – Butch N, Marc W, Mike T, Gene B, Mandville P, Mariann T, Barbara C, Dustin B, Arlene H, Tammy, Baby Miller, Dan, Emme, Gerry B, Chris E, Bill GW, Ray, Melissa R and Family, Frank G, Annette J, Pam K, Kathy B, Jim, Marilyn, Brian S, Jason C, Grace, Bill V and Family, Nick V, Eileen J, Milly L, Bob S, Olena and Family, Bob R, Colette S, Bonnie L, Gloria L, Pedro G, Paul B, Linda B, Judith, Nels, Rosie A, Richard B, Betsy B, Mary W, Jerry O, Adrianna P, Carmella A, Steve G, Kipling

**Celebrations this week: Birthdays** – Mary Ann Man, Judy Warner, Rhiannon Sharpe, Linda Ruthig

**Anniversaries** – Phil & Carol Beauchamp

**Announcements**

**Undie Sunday:** Donations to Clothes to Kids will be blessed today. Look for tubs in Kirk Hall and North Narthex.

**Craft & Quilt Sale:** Craft sale on Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21, 9:00AM – 3:00PM.

**Quilt Raffle:** Support Pack-A-Sack with your ticket purchase. Winners will be drawn on Sunday, April 21.