

Third Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2020



Welcome

Minister Lord Jesus, open to us the scriptures; make our hearts burn within us while you speak and may we enter this time of worship expectant for your transforming presence. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Minister As we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Minister Most merciful God,

All 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 neighbours 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.

Minister Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

I love the Lord, because he has heard
my voice and my supplications.
Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

**The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
I suffered distress and anguish.
I kept my faith, even when I said,
'I am greatly afflicted';**

I said in my consternation,
'Everyone is a liar.'

What shall I return to the Lord
for all his bounty to me?

**I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord,**

**I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.**

Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.

O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.
You have loosed my bonds.

**I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice
and call on the name of the Lord.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen.**

The Gospel Luke 24:13-35

Reader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he

was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.’ Then he said to them, ‘Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?’ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.’ So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?’ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, ‘The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!’ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon Rev. Mark Regis

Apostles’ Creed

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and
was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day
he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at
the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Minister The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Minister Let us pray.

 Lord, have mercy upon us.
All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

Keep, we ask you, O Lord, your Church with your perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of humanity without you cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray for the mission of the Church and our ministry to this part of the city, as we discern how best to love God and to love our neighbours in this time of pandemic. We pray for the coming of God's kingdom among all nations and peoples.

We raise our prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Remember especially in your prayers those of our city, nation, and global community who suffer due to coronavirus. We pray for those in our church community who are in need of any form of healing (naming aloud those on our hearts and minds).

Almighty God, who are afflicted in the afflictions of your people: Regard with your tender compassion those in anxiety and distress; bear their sorrows and their cares; supply all their needs; and help both them and us to put our whole trust and confidence in you. **Amen.**

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to God alone, remembering especially the family and friends of Rupert Perez. We pray that God may be glorified in all his saints.

Gracious Redeemer, grant us grace to direct our lives after the good example of your saints, that, this life ended, we may be partakers with them of the glorious resurrection in the life everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Blessing

May your love abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God. And the blessing of God Almighty; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you, this day, and always. **Amen.**

In our prayers this week:

The Anglican Communion: The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East
The Most Revd Michael Lewis – Archbishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East &
Bishop of Cyprus and the Gulf

The Canadian Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle

ACC: ACC Bishop Todd Townshend, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron

ELCIC: The dean, council, and congregations of the Manitoba West Area of the
Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod

The Diocese of Toronto: Diocesan Regional Deans

The Social Justice and Advocacy Committee: The clergy and people of St Dunstan of
Canterbury; St Francis of Assisi; and St George Memorial, Oshawa and their outreach
activities

The Church of St Mary and St Martha

In our parish cycle of prayer: Murray and Diana Henderson, Nora Hills, Dianne Izzard
Celebrating an anniversary this week: Philip and Lynette Conyers

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