



The Holy Eucharist (Rite Two)
 The Third Sunday of Easter
 April 18, 2021
 10:00 a.m.

Happy Easter, and welcome to Holy Apostles for this celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We are glad to have you with us!

For your safety, and out of love of neighbor, please wear masks and observe social distance between households throughout the service.

Concern for our neighbor also dictates that we do not sing as a congregation at this time, but we are blessed to have ministers of music offering our praises to God, and we join with them in spirit, “singing and making melody to the Lord in our hearts” (Eph. 5:19).

Monetary gifts may be placed in the offering plate before the service—the plate will not be passed at the offertory.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion from the Lord’s Table. If you have not been baptized and would like to learn more about this sacrament, please contact one of the clergy.

Prelude

The Liturgy of the Word

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

Gloria

S 280

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect

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 Lessons

The people sit

A Reading from Acts (*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.”

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4 (*Sung by Cantors*)



You have put glad - ness in my heart, O LORD; hal - le - lu - jah.

- ¹ 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.
- ² “You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?”
- ³ Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- ⁴ Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- ⁵ Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the Lord.
- ⁶ Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- ⁷ You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- ⁸ I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

A Reading from the first letter of John (*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.

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All stand

Sequence Hymn

New songs of celebration render

Hymn 413

Still standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

(Luke 24:36b-48)

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

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

For the Church of Ireland (Anglican cycle of prayer)

For the House of Bishops' Committee on the Religious Life and our Visitor/Protector Bishops
(Anglican Religious Orders cycle of prayer)

For Ravenscroft, Brighton (West TN Diocesan cycle of prayer)

We pray 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, especially Tom Weathers, eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for the twelve Holy Apostles and all your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for our own needs and those of others, especially for those on our parish prayer list.

Fred, Marilyn, Brooke, Robbie, Abigail, Gloria, Bob, Nathaniel, Ronnie, Gia, Bonnie, Tom, David, Kim, Phillip, Katherine, Brad, Betty, Judy, Brian, Jamie, Jim, Iva, Debbie, Barkley, Earl

We pray for Georgia Swain Watson, who is to be baptized next Sunday.

We give thanks for all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially:

David Sedlacek

Jim Shaheen

David Kenny

Will Leslie

Georgia Swain Watson

Allan Klodzinski

Tammy Risch

Bincy Prasad and Anil Daniel

We give thanks for the altar flowers given to the glory of God in celebration of the wedding of Mary Katherine Smith and Chad Campion.

Silence

A Prayer for the Parish (said by all)

Faithful and loving God, you trace our journeys and our resting places and are acquainted with all our ways. Sustain Holy Apostles with your grace during this time of transition; bless us with joy, beauty, and wonder, and bind us together in fellowship and love. Empower us to continue to be a place of refuge for the weary and companionship for the pilgrim. Raise up for us a pastor who will care for your people, equip us for our ministries, and shine a light on your path. Grant that we may walk with you in the Way of Love, and reflect your goodness and light always. This we pray in the power of the Holy Spirit, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

The People's offerings of bread, wine, and money or other gifts, are placed upon the Altar. When directed by the Celebrant, the People stand.

Offertory Anthem

I am the bread of life

arr. Richard Proulx

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel

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, he 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:

Celebrant and People

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 forever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant

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

People and Celebrant

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.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 lu - ia. Christ our Pass-ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us. There - fore let us
 keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Ushers will direct family groups to approach the altar rail to receive Holy Communion, which will be administered in one kind (Bread only). Please remain masked and return by the side aisle to your pew to consume the Sacrament there.

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament, but desire a blessing, indicate this by folding your arms across your chest.

Communion Hymn

This is the feast of victory for our God

Hymn 417

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you
 with gladness and singleness of heart;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Priest may bless the people.

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words

<i>Priest</i>	Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.
People	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude



TODAY'S SERVERS (04/18/21)

10:00 a.m.

Lector/Intercessor: Bryan Massey

Greeters/Ushers: Ted Beason, TBD

Altar Guild this week: Team #4, Captain – Jeanette Maddox

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reading with Holy Apostles

Tuesday, April 20th at 6:30 pm via Zoom

Reading with Holy Apostles will meet Tuesday, April 20th to discuss our April fiction selection, *Travels with My Aunt* by Graham Greene. Check next week's email for the Zoom link. Hope you can join us!

Saturday of Service

Saturday, May 1st

Join us for a Saturday of Service at the church on May 1st. We will be sprucing up the grounds for Spring and need your help! More details to come!

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The Right Reverend Phoebe A. Roaf, Bishop of West Tennessee

The Rev. Clay Calhoun, Priest Associate

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