

# Readings and Music for

The Third Sunday of Easter, April 19, 2026

*The flowers are given in memory of Lindsay Nachtrieb O'Dowd.*

**Processional**            “Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice”            *H212*

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*

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.**

## First Reading

**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

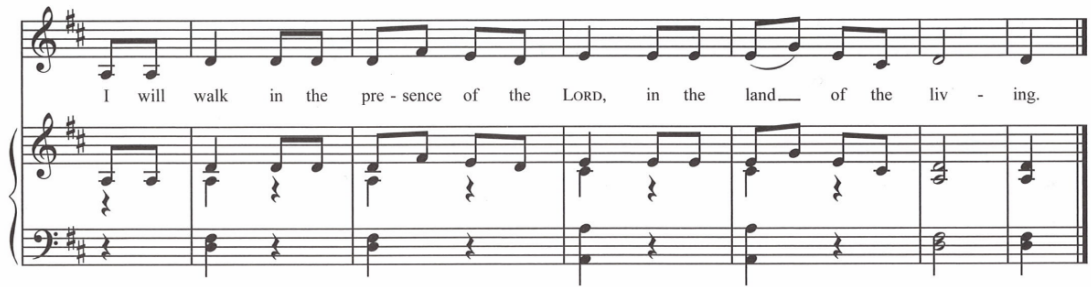
Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

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

# Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17



- 1 I love the LORD,  
 because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
 because he has inclined his ear to me  
 whenever I called upon him. [ANT.]
- 2 The cords of death entangled me;  
 the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
 I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: \*  
 “O LORD, I pray you, save my life.” [ANT.]
- A 10 How shall I repay the LORD \*  
 for all the good things he has done for me?
- A 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
 and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- B 12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
 in the presence of all his people. [ANT.]
- 13 Precious in the sight of the LORD \*  
 is the death of his servants.
- 14 O LORD, I am your servant; \*  
 I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
 you have freed me from my bonds. [ANT.]
- A 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
 and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- A 16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
 in the presence of all his people,
- B 17 In the courts of the LORD’s house, \*  
 in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
 Hallelujah! [ANT.]

## Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-23

A reading from the First Letter of Peter:

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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



# Sequence

“Celtic Alleluia” by O’Carroll and Walker

## Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia! \_\_\_\_\_

Now he is living the Christ.  
Out of the tomb he is risen.  
He has conquered death,  
opened heaven to all believers. [Refrain]

He is the first fruits from death,  
Now are our lives filled with glory.  
Darkness vanishes  
In the light of his power. [Refrain]



## Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

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

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

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples 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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Offertory** “Come Away to the Skies” *H213*

**Communion** “Now the Green Blade Riseth...” *H204*

**Recessional** “He Lives” *L42*

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

***THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE REMAIN ON OUR PERMANENT PRAYER LIST AS THEIR NEED FOR PRAYER IS LONG-TERM RATHER THAN ACUTE:*** Don, Roberta, Marilyn, Jim, Mary, Emily, Meghan, Jan, Chelsea, Bob, Mark, Michael, John, Bob, Billy, Laura, Cindy, Pam, Katy, Lou, Nick, Brendan, Bob, Debra, Janet, Jacelyn, Sharon, Gabe, Chuck, Nancy, Mike, Tom, Betty, Carol, David, James, Kathy, Bill, John, Rosemary, Roberta, Earl, Patricia.

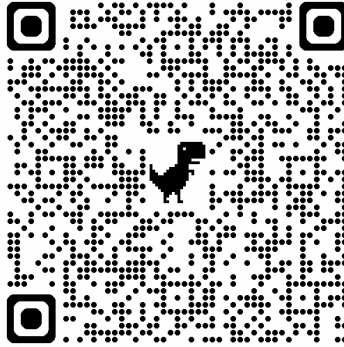
*This week at Transfiguration:*

<i>Today</i>	<i>Holy Eucharist</i>	<i>Church/FB</i>	<i>10:00am</i>
	<i>Coffee Hour hosted by Angie Esparza and Frank Passantino</i>	<i>Leach Hall</i>	<i>11:15am</i>
<i>4/20</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>	<i>Zoom</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>
<i>4/21</i>	<i>Vestry</i>	<i>Leach Hall</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>
<i>4/25</i>	<i>Installation Service and Dinner</i>	<i>Church Leach Hall</i>	<i>5:00pm</i>

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Bible Study** – Join us for Zoom Bible study tomorrow evening at 7PM. After a brief hiatus, we are back with our Zoom Bible study, which happens on the first and third Monday of the month. Tomorrow, we start a new study, as we begin going through the Epistle of James.
- **Installation Service** – On April 25<sup>th</sup>, we will have a special "celebration of new ministry service" to install me formally as the rector of the parish. Our dean, Dean Mike Dwyer, will celebrate at the service, and the vestry will host a dinner afterwards in Leach Hall. Please RSVP by April 11<sup>th</sup>. You can RSVP by calling the church or by going to the event page from the online church calendar.
- **Blessed and Unstressed** – Save the date for our upcoming Women’s Day on Saturday, May 2, from 9AM to 1PM. It will be a morning of faith, fellowship and fun. All women of the parish along with friends, sisters, mothers and daughters are invited.
- **Small Group Dinners** - Small Group Dinners are back! Sign up to enjoy a meal with 6–8 fellow parishioners at a local restaurant. Three dinners are scheduled for **May 16, June 27, and July 25**, and one lunch gathering will be held on **May 31st**. Groups and restaurants will be assigned one week prior to each date. Please contact Traci Dawodu with any questions.

## Online Giving:



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### **Priest's Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday 10Am to 3:00PM

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