

St. Peter's Anglican Church Loveland, CO

HOLY EUCHARIST Third Sunday of Easter

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



April 14, 2024

Processional: Good Christians All - H #128

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

The Lord of Life is Ris'n for aye; Bring flow'rs of song to strew his way; Let all mankind rejoice and say; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory That Love, that Life, which cannot die, And sing with hears uplifted high: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, And sing today with one accord The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

Deacon/Priest: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

- Matthew 22:37-40

The Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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Pascha Nostrum

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us; Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast; Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. *Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Now Christ is raised and will not die again; Death has no more dominion over him; Through him we die to sin and live to God. *Alleluia, Alleluia!* In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead: Though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die, In Christ's new life shall all be made alive. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Collect for the Day

Celebrant: Almighty God, you gave your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly living: Give us grace thankfully to receive his inestimable benefits, and daily to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(The people may sit.)

The First Lesson: Micah 4:1-5

1 It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, 2 and many nations shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. 3 He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; 4 but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid, for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. 5 For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

1 O sing unto the Lord a **new** song, * for he has done / mar-ve-**lous** things.
2 With his own right hand and with his holy **arm**, * he has won for him-/self the **vic**-tory.
3 The Lord declared his sal-**va**-tion; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight / of the **na-**tions.

4 He has remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of **Is-**rael, *

and all the ends of the world have seen the salva-/tion of **our** God.

5 Show yourselves joyful in the LORD, all you **lands**; * sing, re-/joice, and **give** thanks.

6 Praise the Lord with the **harp**; *

sing with the harp a psalm / of thanks-giv-ing.

7 With trumpets also and horns, *

O show yourselves joyful before / the Lord, the King.

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that is **in** it, *

the round world, and those / who dwell **there**-in.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the **Lord**, *

for he has come / to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the **world**, * and the peo-/ples with **e**-quity.

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and/ to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for/ever A-men.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—2 the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 130 (V. 1-3)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ, The paschal victory to hymn In strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion bursts his chains To crush the serpent's head, And cries aloud through death's domains To wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey At his command restore; His ransomed hosts pursue their way Where Jesus goes before.

Deacon or Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36-49

36 As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" 37 But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. 38 And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." 40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate before them. 44 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 and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46 and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, 47 and

that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 130 (V. 4-5)

Triumphant in his glory now, To him all pow'r is giv'n; To him in one communion bow All saints in earth and heav'n.

All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son, All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, While endless ages run.

The Sermon

Deacon or Priest: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

(Please kneel, stand, or sit as you are able.)

Prayers of the People

Deacon or Priest: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Intercessor: For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our Archbishop, Foley Beach; for our Bishop, Bill Atwood; for our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and for our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Joseph, and our Governor, Jared. Give them a discerning heart and a wise mind to lead and serve as

God desires. We also pray for those in our armed forces serving our country both home and abroad.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)

Deacon or Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

Deacon or Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All: Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his onlybegotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

I John 2:1-2

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Peace

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

All: And with your spirit.

The Offering

"Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God". Ephesians 5:2

(Please stand as you are able.)

Offertory: O Sons and Daughters (vs. 1-7) H - #142

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heav'n, the glorious King, O'er death and hell rose triumphing. Alleluia!

That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see, Who sat and spake unto the three, "Your Lord doth go to Galilee." Alleluia!

That night the apostles met in fear: A midst them came their Lord most dear, And said, "My peace be on all here." Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!

"My pierced side, O Thomas, see; My hands, my feet, I show to thee; Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord, and God," he cried. Alleluia!

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(*Proper Preface*) 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 offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again 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:

Sanctus with Benedictus - S#779

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.

(The people may kneel, stand, or sit)

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you,

in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, 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, Jesus 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 forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 pray:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People:* Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(Please kneel or stand as you are able.)

Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei – S#780

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

Celebrant: 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 kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.)

Communion Hymns

O Sons and Daughters

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How blest are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith has constant been, For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days, To God your hearts and voices raise In laud, and jubilee, and praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ Is Risen

Christ is risen from the dead, Trampling down death by death, And upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (Repeat x2)

Bonhoeffer's Prayer - Bifrost Arts

Lord, early in the morning, we cry unto You. In You, there is light, when I cannot see. In you, there is love, patience, and peace. Lord, I do not understand Your ways, But You know the way for me.

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed (Getty)

How can it be the One who died Has borne our sin through sacrifice To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing "Hallelujah!"

For joy awakes as dawning light When Christ's disciples lift their eyes. Alive He stands, their Friend and King: Christ, Christ He is risen!

Chorus:

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh sing "Hallelujah!" Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Where doubt and darkness once had been, They saw Him and their hearts believed; But bless'd are those who have not seen, Yet sing "Hallelujah!"

Once bound by fear, now bold in faith,
They preached the truth and pow'r of grace
And pouring out their lives they gained
Life, life everlasting. (Chorus)

The power that raised Him from the grave Now works in us to powerfully save He frees our hearts to live His grace Go tell of His goodness.

He's alive! He's alive! Heaven's gates are open wide He's alive! He's alive! Now in Heaven glorified

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Heavenly Father, 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 forever. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus

Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Recessional: The Strife is O'er – H - #132

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done, the victory of life is won; The song of triumph has begun. *Alleluia!*

The pow'rs of death have done their worst; but Christ their legions hath dispersed; Let shout of holy joy outburst. *Alleluia!*

The three sad days are quickly sped, he rises glorious from the dead; All glory to our risen Head! *Alleluia!*

He closed the yawning gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high portals fell; Let hymns of praise his triumphs tell! *Alleluia!*

Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee, from death's dread sting thy servants free, That we may live and sing to thee. *Alleluia!*

The Dismissal

(Chorus)

Deacon or Priest: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.