

The Third Sunday of Easter

14 April 2024 | 10:00 am

A Welcome from the Dean

Grace and peace be with you! On behalf of the Christ Church Cathedral family, I want to welcome you this morning into the warm embrace of this beloved community. We are so glad that you have chosen to spend time in worship and fellowship with us today.

Jesus said, “when two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them.” Indeed, it is my hope that, through our prayers, music, preaching, and fellowship at God’s table, you will feel the presence of Christ’s love incarnate in this place.

Our vision is to empower people of peace to reconcile, liberate, heal, and serve the world by living out the way of Christ’s love. In covenant with God and each other, our shared mission is to be Christ’s loving, healing, liberating, and reconciling presence in our city and in our diocese.

It is the custom of the Cathedral that during the Holy Eucharist, all are welcome at God’s table to receive the bread and wine, or, if you prefer, a blessing. You are also welcome to stay seated in quiet contemplation. Just know that no matter who you are, where you’re from, you are welcome at Christ Church Cathedral Cincinnati.

If you would like to learn more about the Cathedral and ways to connect and get involved, please fill out one of our visitor cards in the pews, one of our ushers will be happy to receive it and one of our clergy members will reach out in the coming week or use the QR code located in the pew.

If you are able, please join us for coffee and refreshments after the service in the library (follow the signs), and if you are joining us on the third Sunday of the month, please join us for a tasty brunch in the undercroft (follow the signs).

Again, I welcome you, and give God thanks for your presence with us today!

Your Brother in Christ,
Dean Owen Thompson+

THE WORD OF GOD

Organ Voluntary

Variations on “O Filii”

Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968)

Introit

Magnify the Lord (We Sing Praises)

The Christ Church Gospel Ensemble

O magnify the Lord with me.
Let us exalt His name together.
And as we enter into the House of the Lord,
We sing praises to our King.

For the Lord, He is great,
And He’s worthy to be praised;
Magnify Him and lift Him up!

Hallelujah!
We sing praises to the King!

Text & music: Sandra Crouch (1942-2024)

The People stand as the procession enters the cathedral.

Hymn at the Entrance

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

The Hymnal 1982: No. 492

The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**

The Gloria in excelsis



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —



— and peace to his peo - ple on earth. — Lord God,



heav'n - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, — we wor - ship



you, we give you thanks, we praise you for — your glo - ry. —

(♩ = ♩. of preceding – same beat as before, not slower)

Fa - ther, —

Lord Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, —

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: — have mer - cy on us; — you are seat - ed at the right

hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For
Fa - ther: re - ceive

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

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. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The First Lesson

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.”

Acts 3:12-19 (NRSV)

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

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

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.

“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *

how long will you worship dumb idols

and run after false gods?”

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *

when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin; *

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices *

and put your trust in the Lord.

Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” *

Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

You have put gladness in my heart, *

more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *

for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 4

Chant: William Knyvett (1779-1856)

The Second Lesson

A reading from the First Letter of John.

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.

1 John 3:1-7 (NRSV)

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Thanks be to God.

Music at the Sequence

Emmanuel

The Christ Church Gospel Ensemble

Come, come let us adore Him,
Kneel down before Him,
Worship and adore Him.

Emmanuel, we worship You!

Text & music: Norman Hutchins (b. 1962)

The People stand as the Gospel procession begins.

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.” *Luke 24:36b-48 (NRSV)*

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The People stand.

The Nicene Creed

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,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
 and became truly human.
 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,
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.**

The Prayers of the People

The Deacon bids the Prayers of the People, saying

You have no equal, God. You have stretched the heavens like curtains, and yet you bend them to be with us. Heal us, O Lord our God, as we raise our hearts to you.

The Intercessor offers prayers for the Church, the Nation, the welfare of the world, the community, those who suffer, and the departed.

after each petition

Heal us, O Lord our God,

As we raise our hearts to you.

*The Celebrant concludes with a suitable collect. The People respond **Amen.***

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says an Offertory sentence.

Anthem at the Offertory

Stetit Jesus

The Cathedral Choir

*Stetit Jesus in medio discipulorum suorum
et dixit eis: Pax vobis. Alleluia.*

Jesus stood in the midst of his disciples
and said to them, "Peace to you." Alleluia.

*Videte manus meas et pedes meos
quia ego ipse sum. Alleluia.*

"See my hands and my feet
because it is indeed I." Alleluia.

*Gavisi sunt discipuli, alleluia,
viso Domino. Alleluia.*

The disciples rejoiced, alleluia,
when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

Text: John 20:19-20

Music: Jacob Handl (1550-1591)

Hymn at the Presentation

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we
life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed
bring: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
high:

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer A*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

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. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker and of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**


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

Cantor; then All




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor




1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

The Celebrant says an Invitation to Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Music at the Communion

O sacrum convivium

The Cathedral Choir

*O sacrum convivium, in quo Christus sumitur;
recolitur memoria passionis ejus;
mens impletur gratia;
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.*

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received;
the memorial of his passion is renewed;
the soul is filled with grace;
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Text: Antiphon to the Magnificat, Second Vespers, Corpus Christi
Music: Stephanie Martin (b. 1962)

Don't Cry

The Christ Church Gospel Ensemble

Why do you cry? He has risen.
Why are you weeping? He's not dead.

He paid it all on that lonely highway,
And His anointing I can feel.
He shed His blood for my transgressions,
And by His stripes we are healed.

So as you go through life's journey,
Don't you worry; lift up your head.
Don't you cry. Stop your weeping.
He has risen, he's not dead.

Don't cry,
Wipe your eyes,
He's not dead.

Oh, don't weep
He's not asleep
Jehovah, He's not dead.

Text & music: Kirk Franklin (b. 1970)

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

The Hymnal 1982: No. 306

The People stand.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God,
**you have graciously accepted us as living members
of 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 Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn at the Closing

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

The Hymnal 1982: No. 182

The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, says a dismissal. The People respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Organ Voluntary

Christ ist erstanden

Hermann Schroeder (1904-1984)



Please join us for coffee hour in the Undercroft

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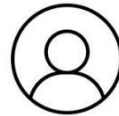
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