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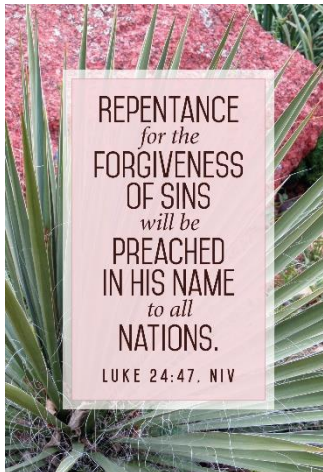
April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

Welcome

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The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #220 “Christ Is Risen, Christ Is Risen”

Text by Cecil Frances Alexander
[Tune #11 Neander (Unser Herrscher)]

- 1 Christ is risen, Christ is risen,
tell it with joyful voice;
Christ has burst his three days' prison:
let the whole wide earth rejoice!
Death is conquered, we are free,
Christ has won the victory.
- 2 Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,
with glad smile and radiant brow;
Lent's long shadows have departed,
all his woes are over now,
and the Passion that he bore;
sin and pain can vex no more.
- 3 Christ is risen, Christ is risen;
he hath opened heaven's gate:
we are free from sin's dark prison,
risen to a holier state;
and a brighter Easter beam
on our longing eyes shall stream.

Greeting and Collect for Purity

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Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

People **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

Glory to God [Hymn #686]

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Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

People **and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

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For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Acts 3:12–19

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹² When Peter saw it, he 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?

¹³ 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. ¹⁴ But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ 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.

¹⁷ “And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out . . . ”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 4

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber
Tune Hymn #116 Irish

1 O God, defender of my cause,
When I call, answer me;
You set me free when most hard
pressed;
Have mercy, hear my plea.

2 “How long will you dishonor me,
You creatures of the dust;
And worship gods that cannot
speak
And in false idols trust?”

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3 God does great wonders for his own;
When I call, he will hear;
Speak to your heart, then, secretly;
Do not sin; stand in fear.

4 Offer the sacrifice required,
And trust in God's great might;
While many seek for better times,
Lord, let us see your light.

5 You put more gladness in my heart
Than when our crops increase;
You, Lord, alone make me secure;
I fall asleep in peace.

Second Reading:

I John 3:1–7

Reader A reading from the First Letter of John.

¹ 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. ² 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. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn #715 "Alleluia"

Holy Gospel:

Luke 24:36b–48

Subdeacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

^{36b} Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ 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." ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you

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anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate in their presence.

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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ 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, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things . . ."

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.

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

The Sermon: The Rev. Vinaya Dumpala

A time for silent reflection is kept.

The Nicene Creed

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Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People **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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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

Leader Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Confession and Absolution

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Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People **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.**

Celebrant 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.**

The Peace

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Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist**Offertory Hymn #226 "Through the Red Sea"**

Text by Ronald A. Knox

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| <p>1 Through the Red Sea brought at last, alleluia! Egypt's chains behind we cast, alleluia! Deep and wide flows the tide severing us from bondage past, alleluia!</p> | <p>3 In that cloud and in that sea, alleluia! buried and baptized were we, alleluia! Earthly night brought us light which is ours eternally, alleluia!</p> |
| <p>2 Like the cloud that overhead, alleluia! through the billows Israel led, alleluia! by his tomb Christ makes room, souls restoring from the dead, alleluia!</p> | |

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Creator of all, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #1

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Proper Preface Easter

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, 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 healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will. On the night he freely gave himself to 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."

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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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim our hope.

People **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Celebrant Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer [Michael Leach]

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People **Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And 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 Breaking of the Bread #8

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Celebrant Lord, we died with you on the cross.

People **Now we are raised to new life.**

Celebrant We were buried in your tomb.

People **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Celebrant Live in us, that we may live in you.

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

People **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.**

The Communion

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Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant Dear friends, if you are present or elsewhere and are unable to receive the sacrament at this time, I invite you to join me and the whole church in spiritual communion to receive Christ, who is present in this Sacrament of the Altar. Let us pray.

People **Lord Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, gathered in spirit, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness; and, by the power of your liberating love, overthrow all that threatens or disrupts the justice and truth of the reign of God. In your name I pray. Amen.**

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn #232 "Jesus Is Risen from the Grave" Text by John L. Bell & Graham Maule

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| 1 | Jesus is risen from the grave, Jesus is risen from the grave, Jesus is risen from the grave, alleluia. | 5 | Jesus will meet his people, Jesus will meet his people, Jesus will meet his people, alleluia. |
| 2 | Jesus was seen by Mary, Jesus was seen by Mary, Jesus was seen by Mary, alleluia. | 6 | Jesus is here in bread and wine, Jesus is here in bread and wine, Jesus is here in bread and wine, alleluia. |
| 3 | Peter will soon be smiling, Peter will soon be smiling, Peter will soon be smiling, alleluia. | 7 | Jesus will live forever, Jesus will live forever, Jesus will live forever, alleluia. |
| 4 | Thomas will stop his doubting, Thomas will stop his doubting, Thomas will stop his doubting, alleluia. | | |

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Doxology [Michael Leach]

People **Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.**

Blessing**Recessional Hymn** "Ye Servants of God"

Text by the Rev. Charles Wesley
Tune Hymn #330 Laudate Dominum

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| <p>1 Ye servants of God, Your Master proclaim, And publish abroad His wonderful Name: The Name all-victorious Of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious, And rules over all.</p> | <p>3 Salvation to God Who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, And honour the Son. The praises of Jesus The angels proclaim, Fall down on their faces, And worship the Lamb.</p> |
| <p>2 God ruleth on high, Almighty to save; And still he is nigh; His presence we have. The great congregation His triumph shall sing, Ascribing salvation To Jesus our King.</p> | <p>4 Then let us adore, And give him his right; All glory, and power, All wisdom, and might; All honour and blessing, With angels above, And thanks never ceasing, And infinite love.</p> |

Dismissal

Subdeacon Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

| Today's Scripture Readings | Next Sunday's Scripture Readings |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Third Sunday of Easter Acts 3:12-19 Psalm 4 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36B-48</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18</p> |

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle

Rakesh & Sangeeta R & Family / Tahereh R / Craig R & Berta Z / Ritah S

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| <p>Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Vinaya Dumpala</p> <p>Subdeacon Margie Lyttle</p> <p>Intercessor Ravi Andrews</p> <p>Reader Rudy Powell</p> <p>Organist Michael Leach</p> | <p>Videographer Egan Done</p> <p>Crucifer Nishant Sam/Philip Tindin</p> <p>Altar Guild Nancy Dodsworth</p> <p>Ushers Ann-Marie Waithe Powell, Hazel Perkin</p> <p>Duty Warden Craig Robertson</p> <p>Coffee Hour Host The Wardens</p> |
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Territorial Acknowledgement

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.