

# **Third Sunday after Easter**

***Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 – 10:30 am, April 23, 2023***



**St. Mark's Episcopal Anglican Church**

**Fairland Parish**

**Rev. Dr. Christopher I. Wilkins, Rector**



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## *Third Sunday after Easter*

*The People stand.*

### **Prelude**

*The Celebrant says.*

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you. Please rise. Our worship begins with [*the opening hymn*].

*The Altar party processes as the Choristers lead the People in singing*

### **Opening Hymn: *Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness* Hymn #492**

1. Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness,  
wake your noblest, sweetest strain,  
with the praises of your Savior  
let his house resound again;  
him let all your music honor,  
and your songs exalt his reign.
2. Sing how he came forth from heaven,  
bowed himself to Bethlehem's cave,  
stooped to wear the servant's vesture,  
bore the pain, the cross, the grave,  
passed within the gates of darkness,

thence his banished ones to save.

3. So, he tasted death for mortals,  
he, of humankind the head,  
sinless one, among the sinful,  
Prince of life, among the dead;  
thus he wrought the full redemption,  
and the captor captive led.

4. Now on high, yet ever with us,  
from his Father's throne the Son  
rules and guides the world he ransomed,  
till the appointed work be done,  
till he see, renewed and perfect,  
all things gathered into one.

## **Opening Rites and the Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

*Celebrant:* 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.*

## **Gloria in Excelsis: *Glory to God***

**Hymnal #S-280** *The Choristers lead the People as they sing:*

1. Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.
  
2. Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.
  
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,
  
4. you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;
  
5. you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.
  
6. For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,
  
7. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father,  
Amen.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* 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 First Lesson**  
**2:14a, 36-41**

**Acts**

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

<sup>36</sup>“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup>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?” <sup>38</sup>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. <sup>39</sup>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.” <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were

baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm of the Day: *Dilexi, quoniam* Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17** *The Choristers will chant the Psalm.*

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> The cords of death entangled me;  
the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
I came to grief and sorrow.

<sup>3</sup> Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: \*  
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

<sup>10</sup> How shall I repay the LORD \*  
for all the good things he has done  
for me?

<sup>11</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

<sup>12</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people.

<sup>13</sup> Precious in the sight of the LORD \*  
is the death of his servants.

<sup>14</sup> O LORD, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.

<sup>15</sup> I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

<sup>16</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people,

<sup>17</sup> In the courts of the LORD'S house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

## **The Second Lesson**

## **1 Peter 1:17-23**

<sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.



<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.  
*Celebrant:* Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn: *Baptized in water***  
**LEVAS #121**

1. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
Faithfully now God's praise we sing.

2. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
One with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
Thankfully now God's praise we sing.

3. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:  
Born of one Father, we are his children,  
Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

**The Gospel**  
**35**

**Luke 24:13-**

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> 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?" <sup>19</sup> 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, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> 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.

<sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> 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." <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and

how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!<sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?"<sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> 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. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> 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?" <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon: And He Vanished**

*The LEM leads the People as they say*

## **The 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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was  
made 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 *and the Son*.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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**

*The Intercessor prays. In the silence after each bidding, the People may add their own petitions.*

I ask your prayers for all God's people; for our bishops, our clergy, and this gathering, and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may seek, and pray that they might find.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially the victims of intolerance and war [*and N.N.*]. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for those on the prayer list of this parish, and those whose needs are known to you alone.

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## **The Peace**

*The People stand.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you,

*People:* And also with you.

*The Ministers and People greet one another in silence and at physical distance.*

## **The Choral Anthem**

***Praise the Lord!***

**Ukrainian Hymn**

*The Deacon or Priest prepares the altar and sanctuary for the Eucharist.*

## **The Holy Eucharist: The Great Thanksgiving**

*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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, holy Lord, giver of life and light. You fill us with your blessings and feed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Christ Jesus, renewed us in your Spirit, and brought us into everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining with Angels and Archangels and with all the host of heaven, who forever sing this hymn, to the glory of your Name,

## **Sanctus**

### **Hymnal #S125**

*The Choristers lead the People as they sing:*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, maker of all things, judge of all who live. You made us in your image and to live in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care and bade us be faithful stewards of its bounty. But we honored not your gifts, misused your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us. You called us into your promise, delivered us from bondage, sustained us in the wild, and sent prophets to bid us repent and return.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made human in Christ Jesus, to live as one of us, and to reveal your glory. Giving himself up to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil and opened for us the way of everlasting life.

On the night before he died, as he sat at table with his friends, Our Lord Jesus Christ took bread. Giving thanks to you, he broke it, and shared it with them, saying:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this in memory of me.” †

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and shared it with them, saying:

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in memory of me.” †



Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*The LEM leads the People as they say:*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

In that mystery we offer to you this bread and this wine, fruit of the vine and the work of human hands. May they become for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. May we who share them be filled with that Holy Spirit to live as Christ's Body in the world. May we come to the everlasting heritage of your children, and with the apostles and martyrs and all your saints, enter into the joys of your salvation.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, now and forever. *AMEN.* ††

Now, as Christ taught us, we are bold to say,

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*The Choristers lead the People as they say:*

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, and then keeps a period of silence.*

### **The Fraction Anthem:**

**Hymnal**

#### **#S155**

*The Choristers lead the People as they sing:*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Communion Hymn: *We Remember, We Believe***

*(Refrain)*

We remember in the breaking of the bread

We remember in the cup that we receive.  
As our thirst is quenched and our hunger fed  
We remember and we believe.

1. More than ear can hear  
more than eye can see,  
more profound than our minds can understand,  
More than mystery.
2. Strangers, lovers, friends,  
neighbors, family,  
In the body our oneness is displayed  
In diversity. (*Refrain*)
3. Ev'ry aisle a path,  
ev'ry step a sign  
of the journey we walk together  
to the end of time.
4. As we take and eat,  
so we learn to give.  
like the bread we must break; like wine, be poured  
so that all may live. (*Refrain*)

*The People consume their gifts. After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray. *The Celebrant prays*

Eternal God, holy Lord, 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.*

## **Announcements**

*Announcements, if any, are made here.*

## **Blessing and Dismissal**

*The Celebrant says*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord be with you, this day and always, and give you peace.

## **Withdrawal Hymn: *He is risen, he is risen!* Hymn #180**

1. He is risen, he is risen!  
Tell it out with joyful voice:  
he 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!

Death's long shadows have departed;  
Jesus' woes are over now,  
and the passion that he bore—  
sin and pain can vex no more.

3. Come, with high and holy hymning,  
hail our Lord's triumphant day;  
not one darksome cloud is dimming  
yonder glorious morning ray,  
breaking o'er the purple east,  
symbol of our Easter feast.

4. He is risen, he 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.

*The Altar Party withdraws.*

*The LEM says*

Let us go forth, in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*The Celebrant, the LEM, and the People depart, maintaining  
physical distance.*

**Postlude**

*Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour and Fellowship.*

**The Flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Rosanne Tingley in Thanksgiving for William Tingley and in Celebration of Frances Farrow's birthday.**

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## **Readers and Intercessor**

1<sup>st</sup> Reader: Jess Rowland

2<sup>nd</sup> Reader: Janis Smith

Intercessor: Mala Rowland

## St. Mark's Announcements

1. **“Scripture or Reason, I am Sure, Do Not Anywhere Say So:”**  
***Reading Scripture and Finding Freedom with John Locke.***  
Sunday, 9:05-10:15am, Parish Hall and via Zoom. Please join us for this critical study of Locke’s use of scripture and reason in laying political and religious foundations for natural rights, democracy, and freedom. No prior reading required. Please see Rev. Wilkins for more information.
2. **Vestry Meeting:** Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. Please let the Parish Administrator know if you would like to attend this meeting via Zoom.
3. **At-Home Covid-19 Self-Test kits** are available, free of charge, in the church office.
  - a. There are 2 kits in each box; we will provide one box per person.
  - b. Please contact Janis Smith, Parish Administrator, or Keira Vargas, Parish Secretary, if you would like a box of test kits. Contact number: 301-622-5860.
4. **Coffee Hour Hosting:** Please consider helping to host the *Coffee Hour* following the 10:30 service. Help is needed with setup, cleanup, and purchasing. There is a sign-up sheet located on the wall beside the coffee pot in the Parish Hall. Instructions on what a host needs to do may be found on the clipboard. We give thanks for all those who help with this ministry of hospitality.

5. **Altar Flowers**: Beginning with Easter and through the season of Epiphany, you may sponsor the Altar Flowers for any Sunday or major feast day in memory of your loved ones, a birthday, an anniversary, or any other suitable occasion – or even just because. The sign-up book with details is in the church office or, on Sundays, in the narthex (at the back of the church). Please contact the office for more information or to support this part of our worship ministry.
  
6. **Bag Lunches for Elizabeth House**: On the 3rd Sunday of each month, following the 8:00am service, St. Mark's Outreach ministry makes bag lunches for those in need at Elizabeth House. St. Mark's is looking for volunteers to help make these bag lunches. Please contact Linda Toran or the office if you would like to volunteer.
  
7. **"Good morning" Greeters**: As a welcoming congregation that is now back to in-person worship, we'd like to return to having greeters at the sanctuary doors on Sunday mornings. The main purpose will be to say "Good Morning" to all who enter and point out the location of the bulletins. This would be a separate function from the Usher. If anyone is interested in volunteering, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall near the coffee machine.

*Please check your e-letters and the website for the most up-to-date information.*



## **St. Mark's Mission**

- ❖ We will deepen our faith by adopting more liturgical options to reach out into the community.
  - ❖ We will extend our outreach by getting more people involved in and reaching more people through community involvement.
  - ❖ We will embrace evangelism by choosing to be a church that reaches out to our community and spread the good news of Christ.
- ❖ We will increase our participation by being committed to our church through regular attendance, and giving of our resources of time, talent, and treasure.

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We hope that today's service has been a blessing to you.

We are here to serve you, and hope to see you again.

Please feel free to call us, email us, or visit us online.

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