

SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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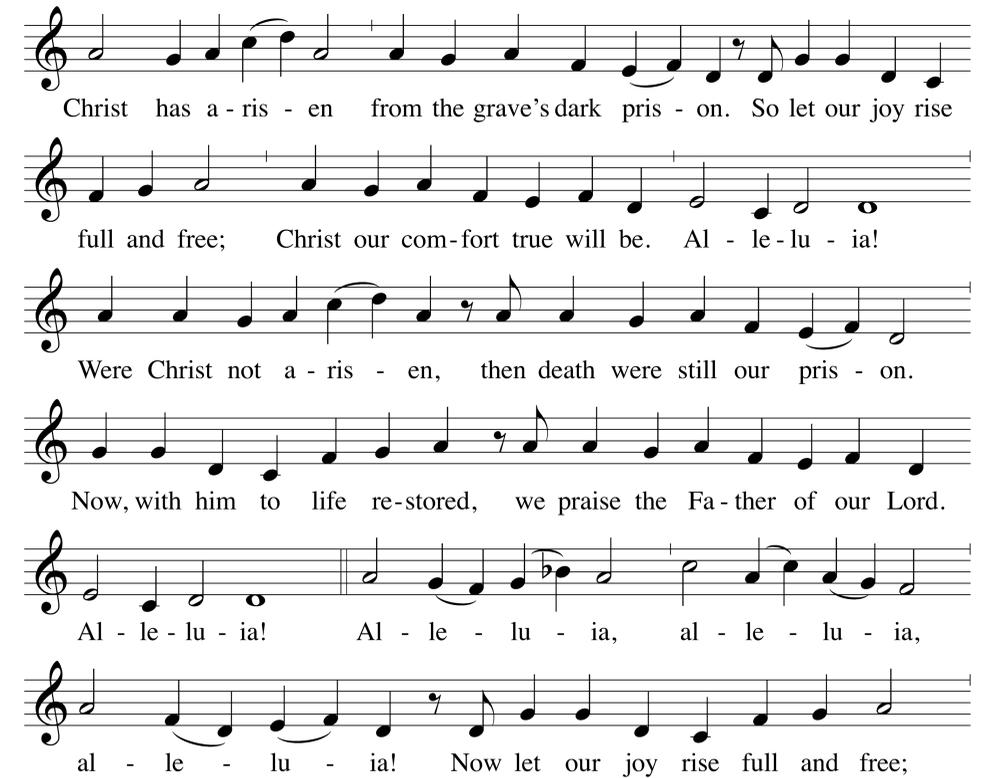
APRIL 26, 2020

WELCOME _____

Prelude

Ringing of the Bells

Hymn Christ Has Arisen



Christ has a - ris - en from the grave's dark pris - on. So let our joy rise
full and free; Christ our com-fort true will be. Al - le - lu - ia!
Were Christ not a - ris - en, then death were still our pris - on.
Now, with him to life re-stored, we praise the Fa - ther of our Lord.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia! Now let our joy rise full and free;



THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM _____

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvations.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.



GATHERING _____

Hymn

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

Greeting

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

Let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Hymn of Praise

Refrain

 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.


 Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.


 1 Wor - thy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose


 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.


 Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.


 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and


 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.


 Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.


 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and


 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:


 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to


 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.


 Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.


 4 For the Lamb who was slain has be -


 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



Prayer of the Day
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD _____

First Reading Acts 2:14a, 36-41

The reading concludes:
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.
Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.
Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!"

What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.
Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.
I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23

The reading concludes:
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



HOLY GOSPEL



The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 24th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

+ SAINT LUKE 24:13-35 +

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Abide with Me

1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes,

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me!
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 on the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

After each petition: Let us pray to the Lord:
Have mercy, O God.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Reflections on God's Grace

THANKSGIVING _____

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your word of life, O God.

we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

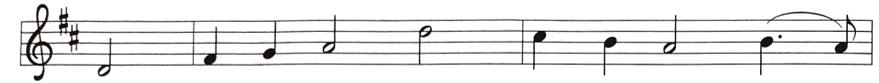
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen

SENDING _____

Hymn

With High Delight Let Us Unite



1 With high de - light let us u - nite in
2 True God, he first from death has burst forth
3 Let prais - es ring; give thanks, and bring to



songs of great ju - bi - la - tion. You pure in heart, all
in - to life, all sub - du - ing. His en - e - my now
Christ our Lord ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed by



bear your part, sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To
van - quished see; his death has been death's un - do - ing. "And
word and deed to ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So



set us free for - ev - er, he is ris'n and sends to
yours shall be like vic - to - ry o'er death and grave," says
shall his love give us a - bove, from mis - er - y and



all earth's ends good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
he, who gave his life for us, life re - new - ing.
death set free, all joy and full con - so - la - tion.

Dismissal

Christ is risen, Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude



SAINT LUKE CHURCH

April 26, 2020



E-MAIL ROUNDUP

Now more than ever we need to stay connected by any means possible! Saint Luke is continuing to collect e-mail addresses to keep members and friends up to date on important information. If you would like to receive the weekly eNews mailing please contact Elisabeth Stampfl in the church office (773-472-3383) or at estampfl@stlukechicago.org. Note: Saint Luke will use these addresses ONLY for our communication. The addresses will NOT be shared with any other individual or organization.

CARING AND SHARING

Thank you to everyone who continues to bring supplies and non-perishable food to our emergency pantry!

The need for non-perishable food continues and is even more important now when so many have been laid off from their jobs. . This week food from our emergency pantry was given to families through Asian Youth Services and to Holy Family Lutheran School who lost a teacher to Covid-19.

During the month of April our monthly collection focuses on **baby food** – cereal, canned or powdered formula, juices and jars of prepared food, all items needed by growing babies.

During the month of May we are collecting **pasta** – spaghetti, macaroni, farfalle, linguine. These items will be distributed to families through the LakeView Pantry. Please bring your donation to the monthly collection barrel in the church lobby when we are back at Saint Luke!

