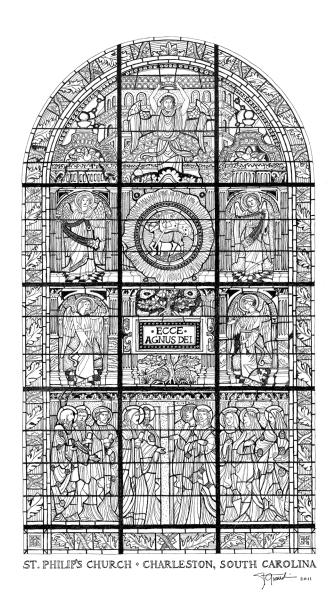
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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY COMMUNION: RITE I APRIL 18, 2021 • 10:30 AM



WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest,

to all who mourn and long for comfort,

to all who struggle and desire victory,

to all who sin and need a Savior,

to all who are strangers and want fellowship,

to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness,

to all who have been blessed and wish to give thanks,

and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors

and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

HOLY COMMUNION: RITE I

THE PRELUDE Andante George F. Händel (1685-1759)

from Organ Concerto in F

THE INTROIT Sing Alleluia Baldassare Donato (1548-1603)

Sing alleluia. Death now has lost its sting,

For Christ has burst the three-day prison. Alleluia.

Rejoice and sing, for Christ is risen.

Lift up your joyful song. Sorrow and fear be gone. Alleluia.

All hearts and voices sing. Alleluia.

Unending praises bring. Alleluia.

Words: paraphrase of Luke 24:7 and I Corinthians 15:54-56. Music: Baldassare Donato (1548-1603). Edited by Hal Hopson.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING HYMN We Know that Christ is Raised and Dies No More

Engelberg

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.

Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold;

And our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!

We share by water in his saving death.

Reborn we share with him an Easter life

As living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!

The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.

The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God.

Baptized we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!

A new creation comes to life and grows

As Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.

The universe restored and whole will sing: Alleluia! Amen.

Words: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932), alt. Music: Engleberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

THE ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The celebrant says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The celebrant says

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE

CelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.PeopleChrist, have mercy upon us.CelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people kneel.

O God, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The people sit for the reading of God's word.

THE 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. ⁶ 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. ⁶ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁶ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. ⁶ 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. ⁶ 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.

People Thanks be to God.

The people are invited to stand and sing the gradual hymn.

THE GRADUAL HYMN

Go, Make of All Disciples

Ellacombe

"Go, make of all disciples." We hear the call, O Lord, That comes from thee, our Father, in thy eternal Word. Inspire our ways of learning through earnest, fervent prayer, And let our daily living reveal thee everywhere.

"Go, make of all disciples," baptizing in the Name Of Father, Son, and Spirit, from age to age the same. We call each new disciple to follow thee, O Lord, Redeeming soul and body by water and the Word.

"Go, make of all disciples." We at thy feet would stay Until each life's vocation accents the holy way. We cultivate the nature He plants in every heart, Revealing in our witness the master teacher's art.

"Go, make of all disciples." We welcome thy command.
"Lo, I am with you always." We take thy guiding hand.
The task looms large before us; we follow without fear;
In heaven and earth thy power shall bring His kingdom here.

Text: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: Ellacombe, melody from Gesangbuch der Herzogl, Wirtembergischen katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784, alt; adapt. Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1863

THE GOSPEL Luke 24:36-48

The people remain standing. The priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

³⁶ Jesus himself stood among the disciples. ³⁷ But they were startled and frightened, and supposed that they saw a spirit. ³⁸ And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do questionings rise in your hearts? ³⁹ See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴¹ And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, 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 which 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 and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things."

After the Gospel, the priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Ghosts and Gossips

The Rev. William K. Christian III

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say in unison

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The leader and people kneel and pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; that we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; that your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; that there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; that our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; that they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; may we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The celebrant continues

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The celebrant and people say in unison

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

The celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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.*

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The celebrant reads several sentences from Scripture.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. (Matthew 11:28) God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (John 3:16) This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Timothy 1:15) If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. (1 John 2:1-2)

THE PEACE

All stand.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

CHORAL OFFERING

Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal

arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)

Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore,

As I near those swollen waters with their deep and solemn roar.

Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Glory to the great I AM!

And my soul, though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day,

Passes swiftly o'er those waters, to the city far away.

Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest;

And I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest.

Words: Traditional. Tune: Invitation - Traditional Tune Arranged by Alice Parker

All are invited to stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY HYMN

Vigiles et Sancti

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Álleluia! Alleluia!

The celebrant faces the people and says

The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

All remain standing as the celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. The people are invited to sing

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS, HYMN 797

Healey Willan

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.

All kneel. The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Celebrant

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 AGNUS DEI, HYMN 706

Healey Willan

- 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.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

People and Celebrant

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Those worshiping from home may participate in the Eucharist by speaking the following words of the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN 207

Come, Risen Lord

Edsall

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; Thyself at thine own board make manifest in this our Sacrament of Bread and Wine.

We meet, as in that upper room they met; thou at the table, blessing, yet dost stand: "This is my Body"; so thou givest yet: faith still receives the cup as from thy hand.

One body we, one Body who partake, one Church united in communion blest;

One name we bear, on Bread of life we break, with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.

One with each other, Lord, for one in thee, who art one Saviour and one living Head; Then open thou our eyes, that we may see; be known to us in breaking of the Bread.

Text: George Wallace Briggs, 1933. Music: *Edsall*, George Henry Day, 1940

COMMUNION HYMN 455

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

St. Peter

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!

It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast;

'Tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary, rest.

Dear Name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place, My never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace!

Jesus! my Shepherd, Guardian, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; But when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

Till then I would thy love proclaim with every fleeting breath; And may the music of thy Name refresh my soul in death.

Text: John Newton (1725-1807). Music: St. Peter, Alexander R. Reinagle (1756-1809)

COMMUNION HYMN There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

Cleansing Fountain

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins; And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains: Lose all their guilty stains;

And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day; And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away:

Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away;

And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its pow'r, Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more: Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more; Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream thy flowing wounds supply, Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die: And shall be till I die; and shall be till I die;

Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave, Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save: I'll sing Thy pow'r to save; Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.

Text: Zechariah 13:1, William Cowper, c. 1771 (1731-1800) Music: *Cleansing Fountain*, Early American melody

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

All are invited to stand and sing the closing hymn.

THE CLOSING HYMN 776

O, For a Thousand Tongues

Azmon

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, The mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim And spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

Break Forth Into Joy

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)



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