



ASTER

MARCH 31, 2024

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Organist & Choir Director: Dr. Barbara Raedeke

EASTER SUNDAY MARCH 31, 2024

Prelude "Sonata in F Major"
Grave – Allegro – Alla Siciliana – Allegro

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

THE WORD OF GOD

Choral Introit "Christians, to the Paschal Victim" (Hymn 183) Wipo of Burgandy (11th century)

Processional Hymn 175 v. 1-4 "Hail thee, festival day!"

Blue 1982 Hymnal

The Easter Acclamation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Collect for Purity

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 Hymnal S278 *Mathias*

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Glory to God in the highest,

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.

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.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Presider Together let us pray.

(In Unison) Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

The Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in

Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Confitemini Domino



1 Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is | good;*
his | mercy • en- | dures for- | ever.

2 Let Israel | now pro- | claim, *
"His | mercy • en- | dures for- | ever."

14 The LORD is my | strength and • my |
song,*
and | he has be- | come my • sal- | vation.

15 There is a sound of exul- | tation • and |
victory *
in the | **tents** | of the | righteous:

16 "The right hand of the | LORD has |
triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand | of the | LORD has |
triumphed!"

17 I shall not | die, but | live, *
and de- | clare the | works • of the | LORD.

18 The LORD has | punished • me | sorely, *
but he did not | hand me | over • to | death.

19 Open for me the | gates of | righteousness *
I will enter them;
I will offer | **thanks** | to the | LORD.

20 "This is the | gate • of the | LORD; *
he | who is | righteous • may | enter."

21 I will give thanks to | you, for you |
answered me *
and | have be- | come my • sal- | vation.

22 The same stone which the |
builders • re- | jected *
has be- | come the | **chief** | cornerstone.

23 This is the | **LORD's** | doing, *
and it is | marvel- • ous | in our | eyes.

24 On this day the | LORD has | acted; *
we will re- | **joice** | and be | glad in it.

The Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn 208 “Alleluia! The strife is o’er”

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Mark
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

The Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Homily

The Rev. Michael Dunnington

Profession of Faith: 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: 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 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.

Prayers of the People

Leader Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered God's people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us lift our voices and pray, Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings showered upon us:

For our lives and for those whom we love,

For those celebrating, including on their birthdays with Jeanette Swallow and Beckie LaBeaume.

For the beauty of this home God has created for us,

For our families and our friendships,

Let us give thanks to the God of Life. Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for the Church, that we may carry forward the redemptive works of God:

For our clergy and our bishops,

For the many lay people who serve the church,

And serve the world through the church.

In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Ironton;

In the Anglican Cycle, we pray for the Church in the Province of the West Indies;

In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for the Comunidad de Diaconos San Lorenzo;

For those gathered here in worship and prayer. Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, and that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up. Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, those who struggle, especially those on our parish prayer list and those we name either silently or aloud [pause], that the hope born of Easter give them peace, acceptance and renewal, and that through their struggles they may come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores. Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for those who have died, especially Jacqueline Jungermann that they be welcomed to new and eternal life, embraced by God and the communion of Saints. Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

The Presider offers this concluding collect.

Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life for all creation; grant us grace to love one another, to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: "Come, ye Faithful"

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Text: Hymn 199

Eucharistic Prayer from Enriching Our Worship

Presider The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. But chiefly we praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ; you raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. By his victory over death the reign of sin is ended, a new age has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Hymnal S128 *Mathias*

Blue 1982 Hymnal

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.

During the Great Fifty Days of the Easter season it is customary to remain standing for prayer.

The Presider continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before his 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 friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

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

Fraction Anthem Hymnal S155 *Near*

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Ministration of Communion

All who hunger and thirst for God are welcome to receive the Holy Communion at this altar. Gluten free hosts are available. At the altar rail, please let the priest know that you require gluten free.

Communion Anthem "Alleluia"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Melissa Edwards, soloist

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 207 "Jesus Christ is risen today"

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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

Postlude "Carillon de Longpont"

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Today we welcome guest flutist Wendy Hymes. Many thanks to her, to our own Melissa Edwards, and to St. Mark's Choir for their beautiful contributions to our worship. Special thanks to all who contribute to the St. Cecelia Music Fund, which provides funding for guest musicians.

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Please join us in the Parish Hall for a celebratory reception and Easter Egg Hunt.

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP

Lector: Susan Goen

Usher: Diane Nienkemper

Greeter: Marti Robards

Livestream: Vicki Stegmann

Altar Guild: Tom Bradley

Godly Play: Robards

Crucifer: Scott Thompson

Chalice: Greg Diekemper

Torchbearers: Lucy and Ruby Danielely

See Insert for Complete Prayer List

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In memory David Wiethop by Marilyn Wiethop

In memory of Carl, Charlotte and Carl Jr. Hohenberger by Carol Hohenberger

In Thanksgiving for our Grandchildren by The Rev. Michael and Leslie Dunnington

In Memory of Maria Cashen by The Cashen Family

In Memory of Mary and Harold Nienkemper by Diane Nienkemper

In Memory of Robert and Dorothy Jeffery and Larry Lewis by Doug and Ellen Jeffery



We Pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Deon our Bishop, for Michael, Teresa, and Jerre our Deacon, and for all the holy People of God;

In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Ironton;

In the Anglican Cycle, we pray for the Church in the Province of the West Indies;

In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for the Comunidad de Diaconos San Lorenzo;

We pray for our Jubilee Ministry partner, Isaiah 58 Ministries, and our outreach partner, Doorways Interfaith Housing;

We pray for those who are ill, in trouble or distress of any kind, especially the Albrecht family, the Anderson family, Lynn Kiamie Bianchini, Cherie Blumenkamp, Evy Borowiak and her parents Kurt and Amy, Bruce Bramoweth & family, Steve Chamberlin, Alicia Crowe, John and Carol Dequire and Sophia, Kayla Deguire, Donna Duffy, The Rev. Michael Dunnington and his wife Leslie, Candace Farmer, Jeanne Gardener, Sue and Ty Garrett, Rob Heritage, Sherry Hicks and family, Carol Hohenberger and her mission team, Margaret and Sandy Hvatum and their family, Doug Jeffery, Jodi Keuney, Guy Medley, Philip Meyer, Tim Miller, Donna Musgrave, David and Dana Nash, Francis Nuener, Nina Olmsted, Betty Orlando, Scott Schmidt, Joan Schneider, Becky Schroeder, Cheryl Schulz, Blair Schrautemeier, Mitchell and Tracy Shelton, Jeanette Swallow, Bonnie Tesson, Scott Thomas, Mary Totten, Kevin and Kathy Tracy, Ann Vannier, Marilyn Wiethop, Walter Zimmerman, Fatima, Eric, Elizabeth, Leo, Jim.

We give thanks on their birthdays with Jeanette Swallow and Beckie LaBeaume.

We pray for those who have died, especially Jaqueline Jungermann.

We pray for those serving in the armed forces, especially Jesse Foy, Robert McCarthy, Brandon George, Jon Moore, Paul Malabar, Logan Smith.

