

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S CHAPEL

*Open hearts, open minds, open doors*

Eight O'clock in the Morning  
Sunday, April 23, 2023

THE GREAT FIFTY DAYS OF EASTER  
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



*The Supper at Emmaus, Caravaggio*

THE ENTRANCE RITE

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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**A**LMIGHTY 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.**

## FOR THE GLORIA: PASCHA NOSTRUM (*in unison*)

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

*Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; \**

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with old leaven,

neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, \*

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; \*

death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once; \*

but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, \*

but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ is risen from the dead, \*

and become the first fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death, \*

by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, \*

even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

## THE COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. **People: And with thy spirit.** Let us pray.

**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 People are seated.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**THE FIRST LESSON** A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

**B**ut Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, <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. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORY:** Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 (*In unison*)

*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.*

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

Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: \*

O Lord, I pray you, save my life.” How shall I repay the Lord \* for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation \* and call upon the Name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \* in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
is the death of his servants.

O Lord, I am your servant; \* I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the Lord’s house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

**THE SECOND LESSON:** A Reading from the First Epistle of Peter.

1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways 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 faith and hope are set on God. <sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, 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.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 24:13-35

*Gospeler:* Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus said, “All who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.”

**People: Alleluia!**

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

**People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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.

*Gospeler:* The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*The People are seated.*

**SERMON**

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*After the sermon, the People stand.*

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**W**e believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

**W**e 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.

**W**e 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 FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Subdeacon:* Today we remember the vision to be caught in the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, and so we pray, "Let your love, O Lord, burn in our hearts."

*Leader:* Almighty and merciful God, In this Easter season set our minds on the freedom we have through the resurrection of your Son. Free us to see in the gifts you give us possibilities for rebuilding a broken world, and in the education provided us, tools for doing the work you call us to do. Let your love, O Lord,

### **Burn in our hearts.**

As the disciples on the Road to Emmaus found in him whom they thought to be a stranger, instead their friend and brother, help us to welcome new and different people into our lives, that we may work, all together, for a better world. Let your love, O Lord,

### **Burn in our hearts.**

We pray for those in the troubled parts of the world who suffer from violence, oppression and poverty, abroad and near, and those who suffer from natural disasters. We pray for the leaders of the nations, and for your Church universal. Let your love, O Lord,

### **Burn in our hearts.**

*Celebrant:*

**O** God, our companion on the way, you walk behind, beside, beyond; you catch us unaware. Break through the disillusionment and despair clouding our vision, that, with wide-eyed wonder, we may find our way and journey on as messengers of your good news. AMEN.

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant:* The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, "Peace be with you." Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### PRAYER AT THE OFFERTORY (*Celebrant*)

**L**ord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise. As we are fed with the bread of heaven, may we know the glory of your resurrection; through Christ our risen Lord. AMEN.

As we walk from our homes, our communities and our church into a new future, we pray that like those on the road to Emmaus, we may be strengthened by word and sacrament to see you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, day by day. Let your love, O Lord,

**Burn in our hearts.**

As the disciples of Jesus shared food with their Master, give us, we pray, the generosity to share what we have with those in need. We pray also for the sick. .... Let your love, O Lord,

### **Burn in our hearts.**

When the dust of the road discourages us and weighs down our spirit, turn us again to you to rekindle our passion and awaken our hope.. ..... Let your love, O Lord,

### **Burn in our hearts.**

*Other intercessions may be offered here, ending with*

Let your love, O Lord,

**Burn in our hearts.**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. **People:** **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts. **People:** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

**I**T is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And now we give you thanks because through him you have given us eternal life, and delivered us from the bondage of sin and the fear of death into the glorious liberty of the Children of God. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, 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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

**A**ll glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

**F**or in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my ✠ Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my ✠ Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

**A**nd we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word ✠ and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed ✠ Body and Blood.

**A**nd we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, 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 offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;



**B**y 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.

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

**O**ur 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, a memorial of Christ's sacrifice upon the cross.*

*The People say in unison:*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### THE CONCLUDING RITE

#### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy Spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray. *(In unison)*

**A**lmighty 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.

#### POST COMMUNION COLLECT *(Celebrant)*

**W**e praise and we bless you, Lord God, for raising your Son in high triumph. Raise us also to life in him, that we may seek what is above, and set our affections on the imperishable, your kingdom and your justice, the food which endures to eternal life. **AMEN.**

#### THE PASCHAL BLESSING

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing ✠ of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. AMEN.

*Sub Deacon:* He is not here. He is risen. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**People: In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia!**

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