

# The Third Sunday of Easter

18 April 2021

Middleham and St. Peter's Parish. P. O. Box 277, Lusby, MD 20657

This service will be live streamed at 8:30 a.m. Parishioners are invited to attend in person at 8:30 or 11:00 a.m. The services will be in the Parish Hall. Masks and Social Distancing will be required.



## Liturgy of the Word

### Prelude

### Opening Hymn

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with  
2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and  
\*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -  
4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;  
ra - dian't brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;  
um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming  
hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,  
Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion  
yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the  
ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er



we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.  
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.  
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.  
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

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## Acclamation

*Priest* Alleluia, Christ is risen.  
*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## Collect for Purity (*Unison*)

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.

## Song of Praise *verses 2 & 4*



*Descant*  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

*Refrain*  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give  
 Praise to his Name. Name.

1-4 Final Ending

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.  
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth.  
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.  
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,  
 He is the King of cre - a - tion.  
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.  
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -  
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* 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 Lessons

### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 4:32-35)

When Peter saw the astonishment of those who had seen the lame man healed, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

*Reader* The word of the Lord.  
*Response* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 4

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*  
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;  
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; \*  
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
and put your trust in the Lord.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.


### A reading from the first letter of John (1 John 1:3:1-7)

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

*Reader*      The word of the Lord.  
*Response*    **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Hymn



1 That      Eas - ter      day      with      joy      was      bright,      the  
2 His      ris - en      flesh      with      ra - diance      glowed;      his  
3 O      Je - sus,      King      of      gen - tle - ness,      do  
4 O      Lord      of      all,      with      us      a - bide      in  
5 All      praise,      O      ris - en      Lord,      we      give      to



1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing  
 2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn  
 3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee  
 4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon  
 5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther



1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
 2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.  
 3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.  
 4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.  
 5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

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## The Gospel

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 24:36b-48)  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Response* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

## **The Nicene Creed** *(Unison)*

**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.**

## **The Prayers of the People** *The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Leader* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *A period of silence is held.*  
For all people in their daily life and work;

*People* **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

*Leader* For this community, the nation, and the world;

*People* **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

*Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation;

*People* **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

*Leader* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People* **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

*Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People* **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

*Leader* For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Eugene and Robert, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

*People* **For all who serve God in the Church.**

*Leader* For the special needs and concerns of this gathering. We pray especially for all who have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

*The People are invited to voice their own petitions for those who are ill, in need, or have special concerns.*

Hear us, Lord;

*People* **For your mercy is great.**

*Leader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray in thanksgiving for all those who are putting their lives at risk to care for the sick and provide essential services during the pandemic.

*The People are invited to voice their own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

*People* **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

*Leader* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *The People are invited to voice prayers for the dead.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*People* **Who put their trust in you.**

## **Collect**

*Presider* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen**

## **Confession**

*Presider* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*A period of silence is held.*

*All* **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace** *Following the ancient custom we greet one another with signs of peace first saying*

*Priest* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

# LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Eucharistic Prayer B

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## Offertory Hymn



SHAKER SONG

Verses

1. I danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, And I
2. I danced for the scribe \_\_\_ and the Phar - i - see, But they
3. I danced on the Sab-bath and I cured the \_\_\_ lame, The \_\_\_
4. I danced on a Fri-day when the sky turned \_\_\_ black; It's \_\_\_
5. They cut me \_\_\_ down \_\_\_ and I leapt up \_\_\_ high, \_\_\_

1. danced in the moon and the stars \_\_\_ and the sun, And I
2. would not \_\_\_ dance and they would-n't fol-low me; I \_\_\_
3. ho - ly \_\_\_ peo - ple, they said it was a shame; They \_\_\_
4. hard to \_\_\_ dance with the dev - il on your back; They \_\_\_
5. I am the life that - 'll nev - er, nev - er die, I'll \_\_\_

1. came down from heav-en and I danced on the earth, \_\_\_ At
2. danced for the fish - er - men, for James and for John; \_\_\_ They
3. whipped and they stripped \_\_\_ and they hung me \_\_\_ high, And they
4. bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd \_\_\_ gone, \_\_\_ But
5. live in \_\_\_ you \_\_\_ if you'll live in \_\_\_ me; \_\_\_

Refrain

1. Beth - le - hem I \_\_\_ had my birth. "Dance, then wher -
2. came with \_\_\_ me and the dance went on.
3. left me \_\_\_ there on a cross to die.
4. I am the dance and I still go on.
5. "I am the Lord of the Dance," said he.

ev-er you may be. I am the Lord of the Dance," said he. "I'll

lead you all wher-ev-er you may be, I will lead you all in the

Dance," said he.

Dance," said he.

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# 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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again, he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

## Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

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*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer

of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## **A Prayer for Spiritual Communion** (*Unison – said if service is live-streamed*)

**In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

## **Post Communion Prayer** (*Unison*)

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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.**

## **Benediction/Blessing**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,  
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to  
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -  
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior  
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,  
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,  
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your  
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the  
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the  
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.  
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.  
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.  
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

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## Dismissal

*Leader* Go in Peace to Love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Postlude

## **PARTICIPATING IN THE LITURGY**

Celebrant	Father Beall
Lay Reader	Diane Davies (8:30)
Lay Reader	Anne Hayes (11:00)
Acolyte	Caroline Fuller (8:30) Jack Briggs (11:00)
Altar Guild	Diane Davies
Pianist	Beth Lanier
Parish AV Crew	Jim Yoe, Jimmy Yoe, Tom Briggs, Jack Briggs, Lochlan Weems, Jackson Broadus, Anne Hayes

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### **VESTRY MEMBERS**

Sally Arbuthnot '24	Tom Briggs '22
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Franz Kury '22	Mark Pesola '23
Anita Shepherd '24	Karen Wilson '23

# **SAFETY RULES FOR TODAY'S SERVICE**

- 1. Masks are required to be worn by everyone at all times.**
- 2. There will be ushers directing seating. Please do not move the chairs.**
- 3. Singing will be limited ONLY to Beth Lanier at the keyboard.**
- 4. Communion (wafers only administered by tongs) will be offered as directed by ushers.**
- 5. No coffee hour / food / drink will be offered.**
- 6. Bathrooms will be available upon request but must be sanitized by user with cleaning supplies provided prior to exiting.**
- 7. A paper and online Service Bulletin will be available.**
- 8. Non-contact temperature taking measures will be administered to onsite participants upon entering.**
- 9. When the service is over please exit the building immediately as directed by the ushers.**
- 10. Fellowship / small group gathering will be at the discretion of participants maintaining social distancing outside after the service.**
- 11. PLEASE STAY HOME IF YOU ARE NOT COMFORTABLE VENTURING OUT JUST YET OR ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE SICK. Online services are still available, and the 8:30 am service will continue to be live-streamed.**