



"While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him."

LUKE 24:15-16



Sunday, April 26, 2020

Live Stream via

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Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

GATHERING

The Live Stream will be "on" and running as we prep for worship. As you settle into a comfy place, find something nourishing to be with you: light a candle, hold a cup of coffee, snuggle a pet or stuffed animal.

Thanksgiving for Baptism - "Praise Song for the Pandemic"

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Using the words, "Praise song for the Pandemic" by Christine Valters Paintner, Abbey of the Arts, let us give thanks to God for baptism, and all God that brings about through these waters of healing, forgiveness, and resurrection life.

Gathering Song "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" No. 843 vs. 1 & 3

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| <p>1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.</p> | <p>3 Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory;
praise the One who makes us one.</p> |
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Greeting

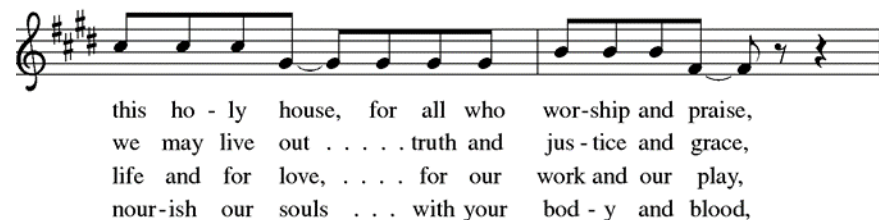
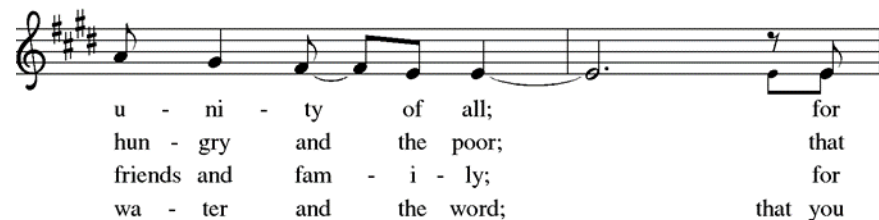
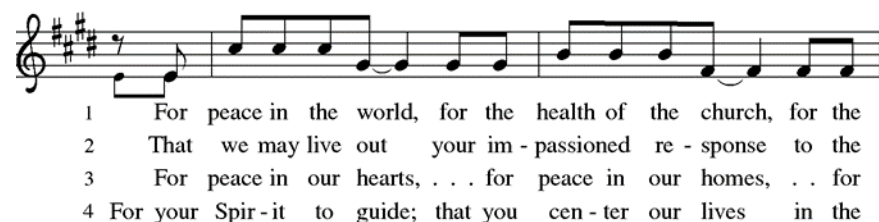
Alleluia, Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

And also with you.

Kyrie & Hymn of Praise



Refrain

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,
 we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you
Refrain
 for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the
 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -
 lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
 A - men. A - men. A - men.

Final refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's
 peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high-
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

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.

Children's Sermon

WORD

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A reading from Acts.

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ³⁶Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' ³⁷ 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?' ³⁸ 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. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' ⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' ⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 116

¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

² **for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

³ The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴ **Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."**

¹² How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³ **I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.

¹⁵ **Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my
bonds.

¹⁷ **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people,

¹⁹ **in the courts of the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-23

A reading from First Peter.

¹⁷ 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. ¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ 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. ²² 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. ²³ You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then 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?' ¹⁹He 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, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But 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. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and 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. ²⁴Some 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.' ²⁵Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead

as if he were going on. ²⁹But 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. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They 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?' ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

vs. 1 & 3 No. 391

- 1 This joyful Eastertide,
away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
has sprung to life this morrow.

Refrain

Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain.
But now has Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, arisen.

- 3 Death's flood has lost its chill
since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill
my passing soul deliver. Refrain

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848-1934

Prayers of Intercession

The responses will be:

Protect the church, O God,
for we take refuge in you.

Protect the earth, O God,
for we take refuge in you.

Protect the nations, O God,
for we take refuge in you.

Protect the needy, O God,
for we take refuge in you.

Protect your people, O God,
for we take refuge in you.

Peace Video

Offering Moment

Lord's Prayer

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

Blessing

Sending Hymn *"Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain"* *vs. 1, 4, 5* *No. 363*

- 1 Come, you faithful, raise the strain
 of triumphant gladness!
 God has brought forth Israel
 into joy from sadness,
 loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
 Jacob's sons and daughters;
 led them with unmoistened foot
 through the Red Sea waters.
- 4 Neither could the gates of death,
 nor the tomb's dark portal,
 nor the watchers, nor the seal
 hold you as a mortal:
 but today, among your own,
 you appear, bestowing
 your deep peace, which evermore
 passes human knowing.
- 5 Alleluia! now we cry
 to our Lord immortal,
 who triumphant burst the bars
 of the tomb's dark portal;
 Alleluia! with the Son
 God the Father praising;
 Alleluia! yet again
 to the Spirit raising.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

Dismissal

Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

A word about Pastoral Care

Pastor Jeff, Pastor Justin, and Pastor Jenn are available for previously scheduled and emergent pastoral care via e-mail, phone, zoom, or facetime. Please contact them directly if you have pastoral care like pre-marital work or regular conversation to receive a link for a Zoom conversation. We are in touch with local chaplains and are learning that visits are not allowed at many facilities. Thank you for your patience as we learn a new way to minister during this time.

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Now more than ever we are grateful for a gift of any amount you might share to further support the ministry of Saint Andrew. What you share makes a difference as we seek to be "open to all" in this time when many feel isolated. For the many ways you give, thank you. To share an offering:

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Sparkhouse Family Sunday School

Sunday school is now online! We are inviting families to take advantage of the free Sunday school lesson offered weekly through Sparkhouse. Check out Spark's website for this week's material: www.wearesparkhouse.org/promos/family-sunday-school/

Christ in our Home Devotional

Christ in Our Home quarterly devotional resource encourages readers to live out their faith daily. Each reflective reading is accompanied by a daily scripture reference and prayer for the day that follows the Revised Common Lectionary. With the outbreak of coronavirus disease Augsburg Fortress Publishing is offering a limited-time complementary email subscription through June 30. Enter ***"Christ In Our Home Email Subscription"*** in the google box to take you to the Augsburg Fortress site to sign up.

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APRIL 26, 2020
THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER



Our eyes have been opened to see the Lord.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 24:13-35	Road to Emmaus
Monday	Acts 2:14a, 36-41	The first converts
Tuesday	1 Peter 1:17-23	A call to holy living
Wednesday	Matthew 8:5-13	Jesus heals a centurion servant
Thursday	Matthew 9:2-7	Jesus heals a paralytic
Friday	Matthew 14:13-21	Feeding the five thousand
Saturday	Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19	Thanksgiving for illness recovery
Sunday	Matthew 3:1-12	Christ the shepherd

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

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?" **Luke 24:32 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Holy God, may your word and the community of faith open our eyes and our hearts to your living presence within us and among us through the risen Christ. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, just as the disciples on the road to Emmaus had their eyes opened to you through the breaking of bread, open our eyes now with thankful hearts for this meal. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God of hope open your eyes to the presence of the risen Lord and fill you with joy.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Open the Eyes of
My Heart*



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When and where have you felt God's presence?
- Have you ever had an experience where you didn't recognize the impact until later? Explain.
- What Bible story or Bible verse or song helps you feel the presence of God?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 24:13-35.

We have within us the desire for the divine in our lives. As Christians, we want to see Jesus as Lord. We want to have our hearts burning within us. That may have happened weeks ago on Easter Sunday in worship with all the pageantry, song, and community gathered together to "break bread" (v. 35). Interestingly, for the disciples on the road to Emmaus, even though they had the risen Lord with them and he was teaching them the Scriptures, it was not until the breaking of the bread that he was revealed to them and they acknowledged that their hearts had been burning within them. Perhaps the sense of the divine in our lives is best recalled in retrospect. We are not in control of the divine in our lives. God is. The Holy Spirit uses human stories, the Bible, and the breaking of bread in community to create the burning in our hearts that we want to recall and talk about again and again. This is what happened to the disciples on the road to Emmaus. When has your heart burned with the sense of God's presence in your life?

Pray: **Creator God, give us eyes to see and hearts that burn for the joy of your presence through Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Peter tells the first converts to "Repent, and be baptized" (Acts 2:38a). Baptism is not something we often talk about in our daily lives. If you know of someone who has been thirsting to know about baptism, be willing to have that conversation and seek out the help of others, if needed.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

The acronym **ACTS** (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication) was introduced during Lent as a way to experience prayer in our daily lives. Add a little extra movement to your prayers this week and make the shape of each letter as you pray: **(A)** I praise God for..., **(C)** forgive me for..., **(T)** I thank you for..., **(S)** I pray for ..., and finish with amen.



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