



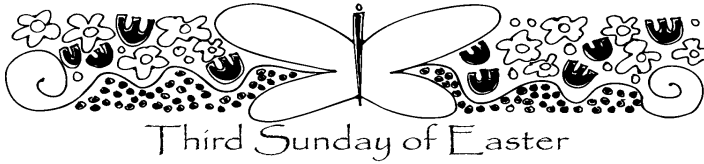
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### April 23, 2023

## The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

### Procession to the Altar

#### Hymn #179

*Welcome happy morning*

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

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.**

**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

*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.**

### A Reading from Acts

(2:14a, 36-41)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." 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?" 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. 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." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." 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.**

### Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

1 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.

- 2     **The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow.**
- 3     Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray you, save my life."
- 10    **How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things he has done for me?**
- 11    I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 12    **I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.**
- 13    Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his servants.
- 14    **O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.**
- 15    I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 16    **I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,**
- 17    In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

### **A Reading from 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. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. 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. 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. 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.**

## **Gradual Hymn**

### Prayer of St. Francis

1. Make me a channel of your peace;  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace;  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;  
Where there is darkness, only light;  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

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## **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke**

(24:13-35)

### **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 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. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 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?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then 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, Lord Christ.**

## Gradual Hymn

### Prayer of St. Francis

3. O, Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console;  
To be understood, as to understand;  
To be loved, as to love with all my soul.
4. Make me a channel of your peace;  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
In giving to everyone that we receive;  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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## The Sermon

*Silence for reflection*

### **The Nicene Creed** (Standing, as able.)

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

Alleluia! Our glorious God has raised Jesus from death to life; let every heart be filled with praise. Alleluia!

Sanctify your creation as abundant new life now bursts forth.

***That all may share in the wholeness promised to our broken world.***

Guide those in authority to transcend the barriers that separate the human family and build together an everlasting peace, praying especially for an end to all war, terror and violence in every heart and land.

***That our world may know the blessings of life in you.***

Encourage your Church to celebrate the resurrection with joy, committing ourselves to the work of reconciliation.

***That Christ's Body may be One.***

Empower your ministers to proclaim boldly the message of the resurrection.

***That all may come to see you as our Risen Lord.***

Inspire us to live faithfully our Baptismal vows and to partake lovingly of the Sacred Bread and Wine.

***That we may be an Easter people.***

Assist those who suffer or are in need; the poor, the lonely, the disabled.

***That they too may share in your abundant life.***

Embrace those who have died with your eternal love.

***That they may rejoice in your presence forever more.***

Hear our special intercessions for this day, O Lord, as we pray: for the Anglican Communion, especially the Dioceses of Sekondi - (West Africa), Seoul - (Korea), Seychelles - (Indian Ocean), Sheffield - (England), Shinyanga - (Tanzania), Upper Shire - (Central Africa), and The Church of Province of Uganda; The Episcopal Church; our diocese, especially St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; La Inglesia Episcopal de la Resurreccion, Mt. Vernon; and our parish; that your Holy Spirit would guide and direct your Church throughout the world to be a sign of your Kingdom;

We pray for the deployed and their families, especially for those we now name;  
We pray for all those on our prayer list, especially for Lyn, Areewa, Marisa, Rico, Saray, Leif, Kari, Kathryn, Milana, Jackie, Elianny, Glen, Gary, Marilyn, Justin & Kendra, Alex, Janae, Travon, Debbie, Cindy, Scott, Mike, Kim, Mike, Michele, Bob, Garry, Nancy, Emerson, Dan, Nadia, Peyton, Samantha, Lee, Marie, Robert, Hope, and for those we now name;

We thank you for all the blessings of this life especially for those we now name;

We pray also for those who have died, especially Ben Overmars, and those we now name;

We praise you and bless you, O Christ.  
***We praise you and bless you.***

*Celebrant*  
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.**

*In keeping with the ancient custom of the Church, the confession is omitted during the Great Fifty Days of Easter.*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant*     The Peace of the Lord be always with

you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

## **Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries**

### **Offertory**

*Our Sunday loose cash offerings go to our Emergency Aid Fund, which directly serves families and individuals in need within our community. Your generosity makes saying "yes" to those who need help the most possible.*



### **The Great Thanksgiving – A**

*The Celebrant faces the people and says*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

*Celebrant and People*

### **Sanctus**

**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.**

*The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*  
Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love...

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption...

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**

## Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we  
now pray,

**Our father in heaven  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day 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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

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

*All persons are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion in one or both of the elements or receive a blessing. Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail. If you have yet to be baptized and are interested in learning more about this sacrament, please see one of the clergy following the liturgy.*

*If you do not wish to come forward for Communion or a blessing, or if you are attending the liturgy virtually, you are invited to pray the following from The St. Augustine's Prayer Book.*

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

## The Blessing

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.**

## Procession to the Neighborhood

### Lord of the Dance

1. I danced in the morning  
when the world was begun,  
And I dance in the moon  
and the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven  
and I danced on the earth,  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Refrain:*

Dance, then, where ever you may be.  
"I am the Lord of the dance," said He,  
"I'll lead you all where ever you may be,  
"I will lead you all in the dance", said He.

2. I danced for the Scribe and the Pharisee,  
But they would not dance  
and the would not follow me,  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
They came to me and the dance went on.

*Refrain*

3. I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,  
The holy people said it was a shame;  
They whipped and they stripped  
and they hung me high.

And they left me there on the cross to die.

*Refrain*

4 I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black.  
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.  
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,  
But I am the dance and I still go on. *Refrain*

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high,  
I am the life that will never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you live in me.  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. *Refrain*

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## **St. Matthew Mission Statement**

**To be a church that passionately embraces and  
values all people, growing in the love of Christ  
through word and action.**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

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