

# Third Sunday of Easter

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**St. Michael's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## **Welcome to St. Michael's Episcopal Church!**

We are an open, affirming and inclusive parish, worshipping in the Episcopal tradition. No matter where you're from, or what you believe, you are welcome to gather with us, sing with us, pray with us, learn with us, and receive communion with us. We do our best to make our customs accessible to all people, but if anything seems confusing, feel free ask someone for help, or simply sit and observe.

### **Welcome, Visitors! Tell us about yourself.**

If you are visiting today, we invite you to sign the Guest Book. We would love to get to know each other! And if you're seeking baptism, confirmation, or simply a community of healing and hope to belong to, we would be delighted to join you on your journey.



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### **Service Notes**

An asterisk (\*) denotes moments when the congregation is invited to stand (as able)  
“Hymnal” refers to the Hymnal 1982 located throughout the Nave.

### **About *Enriching Our Worship* (EOW)**

During the season of Easter we will be using the liturgical resources from *Enriching Our Worship*. This is a series of supplemental texts authorized by the Episcopal Church to expand and deepen our worship life. It offers inclusive and expansive language for prayers and rites, enriching our experience of God's presence and mystery. EOW is not intended to replace the Book of Common Prayer, but instead to augment and complement it.



## The Word of God

**Choral Prelude**

*“All Are Welcome”*

Haugen

\* **Processional Song**

*“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain”*

Hymnal # 199

\* **Opening Acclamation & Collect**

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen

**People Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant Sun of Righteousness, so gloriously risen, shine in our hearts as we celebrate our redemption, that we may see your way to our eternal home, where you reign, one holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever.

*Amen.*



## \* Collect of the Day

Easter 3

Celebrant God 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.

## First Lesson

**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

*A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

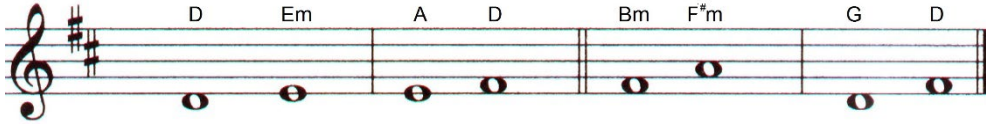
Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

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.

**Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. Thanks be to God.**

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

(change notes at the highlighted word; “ | ” indicates a break point to breathe)



I love the LORD, | because he has heard the voice of my suppli-ca-tion, \*

because he has inclined his ear to me | whenever I called up-on 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 sal-va-tion \*

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 thanks -giving \*

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. | Halle-lu-jah.



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.

Celebrant      The Gospel of the Lord.

**People      Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**\* 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, and who 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

Daughters of the King *Service for Peace* (adapted)

*(The congregation may be seated.)*

DOK Intercessor: Almighty and merciful God, whose only Son came to preach peace to the nations: Hear us, we beseech you, and comfort us with your steady hand. Because we trust in you, we dare to believe:

**People: Goodness is stronger than evil; Love is stronger than hate; Light is stronger than darkness; Hope is stronger than despair.**

Although often lost in grief and overwhelmed by fear and anger, we hear your call to firmer faith and deeper trust. In the midst of doubt and fear you call us to be a people of prayer. Help us, O Lord, to place our confidence in you as we pray for all who have lost loved ones ... to those traumatized by memories and images they cannot forget ... to those who are paralyzed by fear ... to those who seek to do us harm.

**Hear us, O Lord, and teach us to pray, for you alone are our refuge and strength.**

O God, true source of wholeness and peace, in a world bearing the wounds of suffering and grief, you call us to be a people of healing. Help us to reach out to neighbors in need, to bear one another's burdens, to weep with those who weep. Give us the grace to share the comfort of Christ with all those who long for his healing touch. Surround those who have been shaken by tragedy with a sense of your present love.

**Hear us, O Lord, and help us to heal, for you alone are our refuge and strength.**

Strong God of love, in a world torn by violence and threatened by revenge and hatred, you call us to be a people of love. Give us strength to love even when love is most difficult. Save us from the desire for vengeance, and from the temptation to rejoice in wrongdoing. So fill us with the love of Christ that we might seek the good for all people. Do not let us be overcome by evil, but help us overcome evil with good.

**Hear us, O Lord, and show us how to love, for you alone are our refuge and strength.**

God of truth and light, in a world of darkness you call us to bear witness to your light. Guide us by your Spirit, that we might reflect the glory of your Son in his courage in speaking the truth, in his compassion for others, in his willingness to bear suffering, and in his refusal to return evil for evil.

**Hear us, O Lord, and guide our witness, for you alone are our refuge and strength.**

Almighty and ever-faithful God, in a world of despair you call us to be a people of hope. When we are cast down or dismayed, keep your Spirit alive in us. Grant us faith to look forward with confidence to that day when the whole world will be drawn into willing obedience to your reign and people will come from east and west, from north and south, to sit at one table in your kingdom.

**Hear us, O Lord, and fill us with hope, for you alone are our refuge and strength.**

You, O Lord, are our refuge and strength, our help in time of trouble. Forgive us, your Church, for the times we have failed in our actions or our inactions, in our words or our silence.

*I invite you to add names for remembrance, spoken aloud or in the silence of our hearts.*

Help us to hold in our hearts and show in our lives what we proclaim with our lips:

**Goodness is stronger than evil; Love is stronger than hate; Light is stronger than darkness; Hope is stronger than despair.**

*(The congregation is invited to stand, as able.)*

Celebrant: Let every heart be filled with a bright reflection of everlasting love, gratefulness, and belonging. Let every heart that offers this prayer, or holds thoughts of hope and love toward all, be filled today with peace and abundance.

## \* The Peace

Celebrant      The peace of Christ be always with you.

People          And also with you.

## Welcome & Announcements

- **Compline:** Every night on Facebook at 8 pm
- **St. Mike's Hard Questions:** Wed, Apr 22 at 6 pm
- **BYO Lunch:** 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at noon in the Parish Hall with Fr. Ryan
- **Music Practice:** Wednesdays at 6 pm. All are welcome. Come see what we will sing on Sunday.

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## The Holy Communion

Offertory

*“Come, Risen Lord”*

Hymnal #305

The Presentation

*“Doxology”*

Hymnal #380 v3



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures



here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

## \* **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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: 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..

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

\* Sanctus

*"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"*

Hymnal #S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly — Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en 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 highest. \_\_\_\_\_

Celebrant: Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ.

**All Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Celebrant: Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

**All: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**



## \* The Lord's Prayer\*

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

**All** 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.

## \* El Padre Nuestro\*

Celebrante Oremos como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos enseñó.

**Todos** Padre Nuestro que estás en el Cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el Cielo.

Danos hoy Nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.

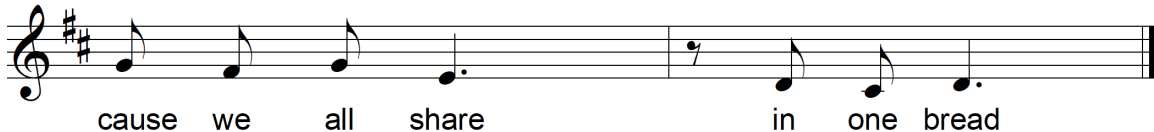
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

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\* During the Season of Easter, we are standing in solidarity with our Spanish-speaking neighbors by praying the Lord's Prayer in both English and Spanish. Participants are invited to pray aloud in one or both languages, as they feel led. We at St. Michael's are actively seeking additional ways to bless and minister to the Spanish-language community in the weeks and months to come.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*



Celebrant: 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.

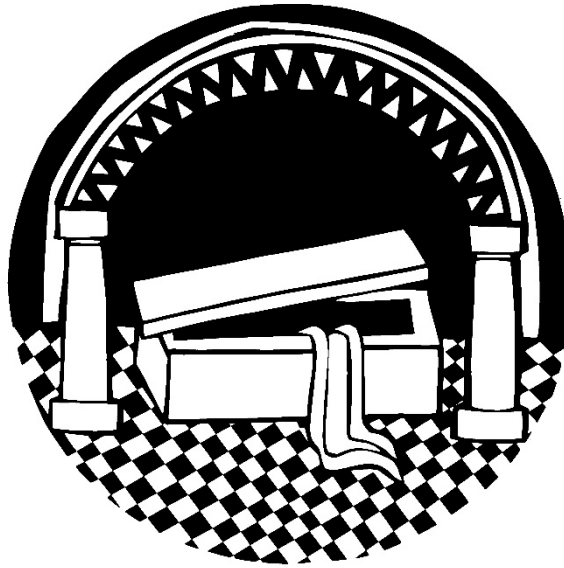


**Communion Notes:** Communion is offered in two kinds: bread and wine. One may receive the bread alone, dip it into the wine, or drink from the chalice after consuming the bread. Sealed, pre-packaged containers of bread and wine are available. Gluten-free bread may be requested by crossing one's hands palms-down. All manners of reception are valid, and all are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

**Communion Music**

*"This Is the Feast of Victory"*

Hymnal # 417



**\* Post-Communion Prayer & Blessing**

Celebrant      Let us pray.

**All**              God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

**\* Closing Hymn**

*“Shepherd of Souls”*

Hymnal #343

**\* Dismissal**

Celebrant      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

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



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