

## ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Incumbent: The Venerable John E. Anderson

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

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Prelude A Medley of Sacred Selections

*Susan Smith, harp*

Processional Hymn 217 "Christ the Lord is Risen Again"

*Wurtemberg*

Welcome

Gathering of the Community

The risen Christ meets us at the tomb, and turns our tears to joy.

For your love and goodness

**we give you thanks, O God.**

Christ comes through our locked doors, and turns our fear to courage.

For your love and goodness

**we give you thanks, O God.**

Christ comes to daily life and work, and turns our failure to new vision.

For your love and goodness

**we give you thanks, O God.**

Christ breaks the bread, and turns our despair to hope.

For your love and goodness

**we give you thanks, O God.**

*"from Celebrating Eucharist by Bosco Peters ([www.liturgy.co.nz](http://www.liturgy.co.nz))"*

Gathering Hymn "Open The Eyes of My Heart"

*P. Baloché*

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, I want to see You, I want to see You.

Open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You. **x2**

To see You high and lifted up, Shining in the light of Your glory.  
Pour out Your pow'r and love As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

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### Gathering Prayer

Holy and righteous God, you raised Christ from the dead and glorified him at your right hand. Let the words of scripture burn within our hearts and open our minds to recognize him in the breaking of the bread. **Amen.** *Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt*

### Proclamation of the Word

#### PSALM 4

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. "You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?" **Refrain The Lord does wonders for the faithful.**

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me. Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed. **Refrain The Lord does wonders for the faithful.**

Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord. Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord. **Refrain The Lord does wonders for the faithful.**

You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase. I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **Refrain The Lord does wonders for the faithful.**

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

1 John 3.1-7 page 1184

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia, Praise to God"

*Yoruba Praise Song*

V1 Alleluia, praise to God. Alleluia, praise to God. Praises, high praises, we bring you, O God. Alleluia, praise to God.

V2 Songs of joy sing out to God. Songs of joy sing out to God. Dancing and singing, we praise you, O God. Songs of joy sing out to God.

V3 Beat the drums, sing out to God. Beat the drums, sing out to God. Praises, high praises, we bring you, O God. Beat the drums sing out to God.

The Lord be with you,

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke,

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Luke 24:13-49 page 1025

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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Sermon Archdeacon John Anderson

Anthem "Hymn of Promise"  
The St. James' Choir

Mary McDonald

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, and apple tree; in cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free. In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in ever silence, seeking word and melody; there's a dawn in every darkness bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future, what it holds, a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity. In death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

The Prayers of the People Beth Morum, Lay-reader

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon you and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace *(Please stand if able)*

When Jesus came to his disciples during Easter season, passing through walls and locked doors, he greeted them, saying, "Peace be with you!" And so, I invite you to greet one another with the words, "Peace be with you,"

**"And also with you."**

*(All may exchange a sign of peace with a bow, a smile but please no physical contact)*

Offertory Hymn 224 "Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice"

Richmond

The Celebration of the EucharistPrayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.** *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.*

Eucharistic Prayer 3 *(BAS pg. 198)*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus (CP 732)

*Community Mass/R. Proulx*

**All**                    **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.**

Celebrant            We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 death into life.

On the night he as handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

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

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and brings us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

The risen Christ is in our midst, so with Christ we pray,

**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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**Now we are raised to new life.**

We were buried in your tomb.

**Now we share in your resurrection.**

Live in us, that we may live in you.

### The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Agnus Dei (CP 747)

*F. Schubert/R. Proulx*

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.**

Communion Music

Musical Meditation How Great Thou Art  
Susan Smith, harp

*Traditional*

Hymn 242 "This is the Feast of Victory for Our God"

*Festival Canticle*

Prayer After Communion

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.** *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.*

Celebrant Glory to God,

**All Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BlessingAnnouncements

Recessional 425 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*Hymn To Joy*

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Sung Benediction "I Offer My Life"

*D. Moen*

All that I am, all that I have, I lay them down before You, O Lord; All my regrets, all my acclaim, the joy and the pain, I'm making them Yours. Lord, I offer my life to You, ev'rything I've been through, use it for Your glory; :Lord, I offer my days to You, lifting my praise to You as a pleasing sacrifice, Lord, I offer You my life.



Postlude Sabbath Prayer  
Susan Smith, harp

Harnick/Bock

*We wish to thank Susan Smith for sharing her  
musical gifts this morning.*

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