



Christ was raised up

*from the dead by the glory
of the Father, even so we also should
walk in newness of life.*

ROMANS 6:4

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The Third Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY, APRIL 18th, 2021

The Cathedral is closed; however, members are asked to pray the Office of Morning Prayer, at home with their household.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us. Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia! **1 Corinthians 5:7**

Versicles & Responses

V. Hear us, O Lord,

R. **For your mercy is great.**

V. We will exalt you, O God our Saviour,

R. **And praise your name forever and ever.**

V. Glory to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;

R. **As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

Prayer of Intent

Let us pray

Father, we come together in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, to offer you our worship, praise and thanksgiving. To you belong all power and glory. You are the source of all goodness. Let our worship bear witness to your peace and saving power. Through your Spirit may we ever

rejoice in the abiding presence of our risen and ascended Lord. Amen.

INVITATORY

Christ our Passover *Pascha nostrum*

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
so let us celebrate the feast,
not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:
death has no more dominion over Him.
In dying He died to sin once for all;
in living He lives to God.
See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead:
the first fruits of those who sleep.
For as by man came death:
by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;
for as in Adam all die:
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

The Confession & Absolution

The Minister says:

Lord, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and people, together say:

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; 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 honour and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All:

Grant merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind: through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem*

- 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 dishonour 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.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen

First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19

¹²When Peter saw it, 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? ¹³The 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. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And 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. ¹⁷ ‘And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

The Song of Moses *Cantemus Domino*

Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18

Especially suitable for use in the Easter Season

I will sing to the Lord, for His glorious triumph;
the horse and the rider he has hurled into the sea.
The Lord has become my strength and refuge;
the Lord Himself has become my Saviour.
He is my God and I will praise Him;
my father's God and I will exalt Him.
The Lord Himself is a mighty warrior;
the Lord, the Lord is His Name.

Your right hand, O Lord, is majestic in power;
your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy.
Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods,
holy, awesome, worker of wonders?

In steadfast love you led your people,
you guided your redeemed with your great strength.
You brought them in safety to your holy place,
and planted them on your own mountain
You brought them into your own house.
The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7

³See 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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Benedictus Luke 1:68-79

Blessed are you, Lord the God of Israel;
You have come to your people and set them free.
You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the
house of your servant David.
Through your holy prophets
You promised of old to save us from our enemies
from the hands of all who hate us.
To show mercy to our forebears, and to remember your
holy covenant.
This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham: to set
us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship you without fear, holy and righteous before
you all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High: for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way, To give God's people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God: the dawn from on high shall break upon us, To shine upon those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. *Amen.*

The Holy Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

36 While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?' ³⁹Look 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.' ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

44 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.' ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the

dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

The Reflection

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

The Minister shall say:

Let us pray.

ALL:

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.*

THE SUFFRAGES “A”

V. Lord, reveal your love among us;

R. That we may know the joy of your salvation.

V. Grant peace within and among all nations;

R. And teach our leaders wisdom.

V. Endow your Church with faithfulness;

R. And her servants with knowledge and true godliness.

V. Defend, O Lord, the rights of the poor and the oppressed;

R. That your justice may be known among all people.

V. Lord, renew your Spirit within us;

R. That in us and through us your will may be done.

The Collect of the Day ~ “*The Third Sunday of Easter*”

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 Collect for Protection

O God, the lover of unity and author of peace, to know you is eternal life; to serve you is perfect freedom. Defend us your servants from all assaults of the enemy, that we may trust in your defence and not fear the power of any adversary; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Sunday

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Special Intentions for today: In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of Ireland; the Government and people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines in light of the eruption of La Soufriere volcano; and for medical professionals, policymakers, persons affected by the coronavirus, amidst the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, we thank you for the gift of your Holy Word.

May it be a lantern to our feet,
A light to our paths,
And a strength to our lives.

Take us and use us to love and serve all persons
in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the Name of your
Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us evermore.
Amen.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

THE BLESSING ~ “*Ascension to Eve of Pentecost*”

Christ our King, make you faithful and strong to do His will, that you may reign with Him in glory; and the blessing of God the Father be upon you this day and forever. *Amen.*



The Third Sunday of Easter
YEAR B

First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19

Comments ~ *“Health and forgiveness through the risen Jesus”*

Peter has just healed a crippled man, and in this passage, he proclaims the fundamentals of the gospel to those who come running to hear him. From the beginning the new faith showed its powers through such healing, and these occasions were used for preaching the good news. Many of these speeches are presented as summaries of basic themes. The role of the apostles as witnesses to Jesus’ resurrection is stressed, as is the theme of spiritual fulfillment.

Psalm 4

The prayer of one falsely accused, and an expression of confidence in God, who instills confidence and peace in all circumstances.

Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7

Comments ~ *“The revealing of the children of God”*

In this lesson we learn that **through the Father’s love, disciples are now children of God, and they no longer live in sin. Their destiny is to be like Christ.** Those who

live without God do not understand what it means to be a child of God any more than they recognised Jesus. But Christians know that a dramatic change has taken place in their lives, and that the mystery of what they are fully to become still awaits them.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24: 36b-48

Comments ~ *“Eating with the risen Christ”*

In our gospel **the risen Jesus shows himself again to his disciples, and he interprets to them the scriptures which reveal that his death and resurrection were part of God’s plan.** This Jesus is no ghost or phantom (as some later interpretations of the resurrection might have suggested). His appearance is real; his friends touch him and he eats with them. Now they are to be witnesses and to carry the message of repentance and forgiveness to all peoples.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

1. **The Cathedral Church** is now closed due to Barbados being affected by the volcanic ash from the La Soufriere Volcano. The removal of ash and the cleaning of the premise will continue during the course of this week.
2. **Household Worship:** Public worship is permissible in accordance with the provision of the EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (COVID-19) (No. 8) Directive 2021. Worshippers are to be seated six feet apart in all directions. Meantime, members are encouraged to worship virtually or to pray the office of Morning Prayer at the regular Sunday service

times, 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M., or at a time convenient to the family. The Daily Office can also serve as a personal or family discipline. The Daily Lectionary for the Third Week of Easter begins on page 748, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Monday, April 19th, 2021 are, Exodus 18:13-27 Psalms 9 & 15, and Matthew 3:1-6.

- 3. Stewardship of Treasure:** During the period of lockdown, members were unable to make their regular financial contributions to the church in the usual manner. However, several persons made use of the options which were provided, and we are grateful for their contributions. For the convenience of all, online payments may be made to St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606.



*Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays
this week ~ 18th to 24th April, 2021*

Mr. Anthony E. Hoyte ~ 18th

Mr. William Cumberbatch ~ 21st



May God bless and strengthen you.

Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Mrs. Colleen Byer, Ms. Eudora Cooper, Ms. Alice P. Hall, Mr. Jonathan Holder, (N.Y), Mrs. Olga Holder, Ms. Selina Jones, Mrs. Vida King, Mr. Blair Murray, Ms. Phyllis Springer, and Ms. Winifred Trotman.

I pray to the Almighty
to bring you healing
and a speedy
recovery...
**Get Well
Soon...**



Theme for the Week

“The joy of Easter is God’s forgiveness of our sins.”



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