The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

welcomes you to the celebration of

The Holy Eucharist On The Third Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.



The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels The Diocese of Barbados

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Sunday, April 23, 2023 The Third Sunday of Easter YEAR A

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist President and Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

The Springer Memorial Old Scholars' Association 37th Anniversary Service

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne



ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

Opening $Hymn \sim 164$ "At the Lamb's high feast we sing"

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his piercèd side; praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine, gives his body for the feast, Christ the Victim, Christ the Priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal Victim, Paschal Bread; with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light. Now no more can death appal, now no more the grave enthral: thou hast opened paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.

Easter triumph, Easter joy, sin alone can this destroy; from sin's power do thou set free souls new-born, O Lord, in thee. Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise; holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

Words: anonymous, from Ad regias agni dopes, c, 6th century, Latin; translation: Robert Campbell (1814-1868) Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed. Come, let us adore Him. Alleluia!

THE INVOCATION

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PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL: And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever.

Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. *Amen*.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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ALL:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires know, 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.*

THE KYRIES

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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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: "**Third Sunday of** *Easter*" Page 169

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*.

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Lectors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Shernelle O'Neal 9:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Donnah Russell

A reading from the Word of God written in the Acts of the Apostles, the second chapter, beginning at the fourteenth verse.

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.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord. **ALL:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

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Dilexi, quoniam

- 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!

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*.

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:17-23

Lectors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Linda Springer

9:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Sonia Thompson, Floor Member,

The Springer Memorial Old Scholars' Association

A reading from the Word of God written in the First Letter of Peter, the first chapter, beginning at the seventeenth verse. 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.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn "We know that Christ is raised and dies no more"

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold; And our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!

We share by water in his saving death. Reborn we share with him an Easter life As living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!

The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God. Baptized we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!

A new creation comes to life and grows As Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe restored and whole will sing: Alleluia!

Words: John Brownlow Geyer (1967)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:13-25

Gospellers:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn 9:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Canon George Knight

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter, beginning at the thirteenth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

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.

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

(Please stand, as able)

The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate: He suffered, died and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfilment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father

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. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped 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.*

INTERCESSION FORM "B"

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Intercessors:

7:00 A.M.: Mr. Remech Matthais 9:00 A.M.: Mrs. Juno Burrows

The Bidding Prayer: Assisting Priest

Lord, we pray for your Church, that together with the whole of creation we may rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ.

Lord in your love,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

(Please sit or kneel)

LEADER: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

ALL: That we all may be one.

LEADER: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

ALL: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

LEADER: We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons; **ALL: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

LEADER: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

ALL: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

LEADER: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

ALL: That our works may find favour in your sight.

LEADER: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

ALL: That they may be delivered from their distress.

LEADER: Give to the departed eternal rest.

ALL: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

LEADER: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

ALL: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

LEADER: Let us pray for our needs and those of others.

(Silence is kept).

ALL: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords to your will; and the good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACT OF PENITENCE

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PRESIDENT: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8,9)

(A period of silence shall be kept).

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM B

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ALL:

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 have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT:

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

ALL: Amen.

(Please stand as able)

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE

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FORM A

PRESIDENT:

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptised into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL: Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP: "Let there be peace on earth"

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be

With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Hymn ~ 476 "The King of love my Shepherd is,"

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER "B"

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PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE EUCHARISTC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts. **ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **ALL:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God: (go to page 128)

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 eternal life. (go to page 131)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

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.

(Please sit or kneel)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING "A" Page 131

PRESIDENT:

All Holy and glorious Father,
Our Creator God,
we give you thanks
because in your loving wisdom
you brought all things into being,
and are truly worthy of praise
from every creature you have made.

Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return, to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ Who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in ever place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And 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."

PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood, of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us. Unite us with all Bishops, all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments, and with the whole people of God, living and departed, whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL:

Blessing and honour and glory and power Be yours for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we 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.

HE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Page 145

PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL:

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

THE COMMUNION

The invitation "B"

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PRESIDENT:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL:

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.



The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion

Communion Hymn ~ **607** "Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour"

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, first-begotten from the dead, thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Jesu, true and living bread.

Here our humblest homage pay we, here in loving reverence bow; here for faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now, Alleluia, alleluia, thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee as of old in Bethlehem, here as there thine angels hail thee, Branch and Flower of Jesse's Stem. Alleluia, alleluia, we in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain, in its fullness undiminished shall for evermore remain.
Alleluia, alleluia, cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna, stricken Rock with streaming side, heaven and earth with loud hosanna worship thee, the Lamb who died. Alleluia, alleluia, risen, ascended, glorified.

Words: George Hugh Bourne (1840-1925)

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN Hymn ~ 661

"Morning has broken like the first morning,"

Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,

sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's re-creation of the new day!

Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965), alt., from The Children's Bells,
Published by Oxford University Press.
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THE POST COMMUNION "A"

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ALL:

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirts shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your Name, through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE BLESSING "Easter"

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The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal 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 the Father be upon you this day and forever more.

ALL: Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

The Recessional Hymn ~ 375 "O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height"

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height; rejoice in his word, ye angels of light; ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made, and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth, in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth; praise him who hath brought you his grace from above, praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound; each jubilant chord, re-echo around; loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone, and sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song to him be outpoured all ages along: for love in creation, for heaven restored, for grace of salvation O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), based on Psalm 150

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

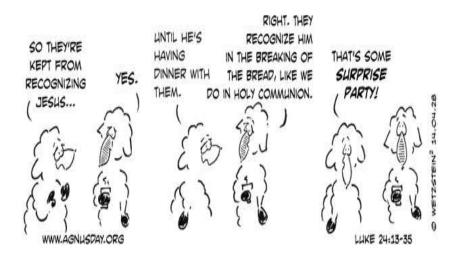
ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Postlude (Worshippers are invited to sit silently to listen to the voluntary but those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.)

Thank you most sincerely for worshipping at the Cathedral this morning.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A

THEME FOR THE WEEK

"The order of salvation is a result of the preaching of the Word."



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

Comment: "Receiving God's promise through baptism"

This reading is a summary of the preaching and other activities of the early Christian community in Jerusalem. The crucified one, Jesus, has been made Lord and Christ. Now is the time for repentance, forgiveness, and the gift of the Spirit. There are many signs and healings as the church grows. The new disciples share fully with one another and meet for teaching, Eucharistic meals, and prayers.

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

Comment: "Knowledge of life, despite death."

An offering of thanksgiving and praise by one who has been rescued from death.

Second Reading (The Epistle): 1 Peter 1:17-23

Comment: "Born anew"

In this lesson, we hear that the price of Christian freedom from the old ways of futility has been paid with the sacrificial blood of Christ. Although now we await the judgment of God the Father in awe, we have the faith and hope of people who have been born anew. The letter from which this passage comes was addressed to former pagans, and may first have been read at an Easter baptismal service. Having been purified by Christ's imperishable offering, disciples are now to love one another from the heart.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Comment: "Eating with the risen Christ"

Our gospel is the story of how two disciples were met by a stranger on the road to Emmaus. That evening, as he breaks bread with them, they know the stranger to be Jesus. While they are walking together, Jesus interprets the scriptures to them, showing that it was necessary that Christ should suffer. Later he disappeared from their sight. While their Lord is no longer physically present, the church now knows that Jesus will disclose himself in scripture and the breaking of bread, and sometimes through a stranger.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Friends and well-wishers may write to: stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com or call: 1-246-427-0790 for more details. Meantime, donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael's Cathedral via CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account #2719302, Transit #09606.

SICK: Please remember the sick and injured of our parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Jeffrey Mascoll, Blair Murray, Marlene Moore, Clyde Outram, Sylvester "Blues" Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Ernesta Yard and George Yearwood.

BEREAVEMENT: We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late Mrs. Annette Weekes-Norville, former chorister; the late Mr. Kermit Crawford, father of Dereck (deceased), Cleveland, David, Clyde, Patrick and Christopher Crawford, Mrs. Jacqueline Waldron and The Rev'd Jilian Crawford; and to the family of The Rt. Rev'd Rawle E. Douglin, retired Bishop of the Diocese of

Trinidad and Tobago (1993-2001). May the departed rest in peace. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." (*Matthew 5:4*)

DEACONS' CUPBOARD: Members are reminded to support the Deacons' Cupboard ministry, through which the Cathedral is able to provide relief to persons in need of food. Please remember to bring non-perishable food items for the cupboard. Place all gifts in the basket at the West Door. Please help those in need. Thank you.

Congratulations to all celebrating birthdays this week:

April 23 - 29, 2023

Mr. Harold DaC. Alleyne ~ 25
Mrs. Vivian G. O. Bowen ~ 25
Mr. Liam N. Clarke ~ 25
Ms. Sandra Moore ~ 25
Ms. Alice P. Hall ~ 27
Mrs. Denise V. Taitt-Proute ~ 27
Ms. Undine Straker ~ 28
Mrs. Andrea A. D. Thomas ~ 29



On the Road to Emmaus

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him. Luke 24:31a (NIV)

Choose the word that best matches the definition.



1.	A period of twenty four hours A. month B. week C. year D. day
2.	Carrying on a conversation with someone A. talking B. walking C. open D. day
3.	A person who visits A. visitor B. prophet C. priest D. Moses
4.	To travel on foot A. visit B. walk C. talking D. open
5.	To put to death on a cross A. bury B. hang C. crucify D. day
6.	The Old Testament man who received the Ten Commandments from God A. Noah B. David C. Moses D. Jacob
7.	The organs which make people able to see A. ear B. heart C. mouth D. eyes
8.	Not closed A. bread B. open C. day D. walking
9.	A food made from flour and water, mixed together and baked A. fruit B. bread C. meat D. jello
10.	Not false A. travel B. true C. hear D. spoken

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings (April 23-29, 2023)								
Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings						
The Third Sunday of Easter	Psalms 148, 149, 150 Daniel 4:1-18 1 Peter 4:7-11	Psalms 114, 115 Exodus 18:1-12 John 21:15-25						
Monday	Psalm 25 Daniel 4:19-27 1 John 3:19—4:6	Psalms 9, 15 Exodus 18:13-27 Luke 4:14-30						
Saint Mark the Evangelist Tuesday	Psalm 145 Ecclesiasticus 2:1-11 Acts12:25—13:3	Psalms 67, 96 Isaiah 62:6-12 2 Timothy 4:1-11						
Wednesday	Psalm 38 Daniel 5:1-12 1 John 5:1-12	Psalm 119:25-48 Exodus 19:16-25 Luke 4:38-44						
Thursday	Psalm 37:1-18 Daniel 5:13-30 1 John 5:13-20(21)	Psalm 37:19-42 Exodus 20:1-21 Luke 5:1-11						
Friday	Psalm 105:1-22 Daniel 6:1-15 2 John 1-13	Psalm 105:23-45 Exodus 24:1-18 Luke 5:12-26						
Saturday	Psalms 30, 32 Daniel 6:16-28 3 John 1-15	Psalms 42, 43 Exodus 25:1-22 Luke 5:27-39 Collect for 4 Easter						

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Images of Easter: Kite-flying Reflection by the Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson



In the Caribbean, Easter is celebrated in many ways; kiteflying is one of them.

One morning after worship, I was asked, "what is the connection between Easter and kite-flying?" Such a profound question! And by an eleven-year-old boy! At first I paused and then gave an answer on two levels. Firstly, it seems natural to do so at this time of the year because of the prevalence of strong winds. Those winds are at their highest on this side of the equator. Secondly, I said, kite-flying to some Christians, is symbolic of the resurrection of Jesus.

Kite-flying during the Easter season is a practice in several Caribbean countries, including Barbados, Guyana and Trinidad and Tobago. However, the activity is not limited to Christians. In fact, kites are flown by many people, reflective of the religious, racial and ethnic diversity of the Caribbean region.

But I digress. Getting back to the underlying theological question, what is the connection between Easter and kiteflying? Perhaps, one has to go to Luke's account of the ascension of Jesus, which in his opinion took place on Easter evening. Following the model of Jacob blessing his sons (*Genesis 49*) and that of Moses blessing the Israelites (*Deuteronomy 33*), Jesus imparts a blessing on his disciples as he prepares for his departure. His disciples watch and worship him. Holy Scripture says:

"While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven." (*Luke 24:50-53*) Quite like the kite as it soars in the skies.

CATHEDRAL WORSHIP

The Third Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2023

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist President and Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

The Springer Memorial Old Scholars' Association 37th Anniversary Service

9:30 A.M. ~ Sunday School



Wednesday, April 26, 2023 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

9:30 A.M. - Sunday School

11:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins to honour former Choristers



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