ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 14th, 2024 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is available for use by parents of babies and toddlers.

- FULL TEXT VERSION OF LEAFLET -

Prelude: Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag ("This Glorious Day Has Appeared")

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God.

Processional Hymn: #373 This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made This is the day the Lord hath made, its hours to God are known; Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad, and praise surround the throne.

Today Christ rose and left the dead, and Satan's empire fell; Today the saints his triumph spread, and all his wonders tell.

Hosanna to the anointed King, to David's holy Son! Help us, O Lord, descend and bring salvation from thy throne.

Hosanna in the highest strains the church on earth can raise; The highest heavens in which he reigns shall give him nobler praise.

The Easter Greeting

Presider:Alleluia! Christ is risen!People:The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!(repeat three times, each time louder!)

Presider:May his grace and peace be with you!People:May he fill our hearts with joy!

Song of Praise: Gloria (Tune: Easter Hymn)

Glory be to God, we sing, Alleluia! Peace on earth to all you bring; Alleluia! Worship, thanks and glory be, Alleluia! To our God eternally, Alleluia!

Lamb of God, to you we pray, Alleluia! Hear and take our sins away; Alleluia! You are seated high above, Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O Lord of love. Alleluia!

Glory to the Holy One, Alleluia! You Most High upon your throne; Alleluia! Jesus Christ the risen Lord, Alleluia! And the Spirit we adore. Alleluia!

The Prayer of the Day

J.S. Bach

PLEASE STAND

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Acts 3:12-19

A Reading from the Book of Acts.

Peter 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 this man walk? The 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. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And 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. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out." Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 4 (Tune: Crimond)

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED

PLEASE STAND

PLEASE BE SEATED

Give ear unto me when I call, God of my righteousness: Have mercy, hear my pray'r; thou hast enlarged me in distress.

O who will show us any good? is that which many say: But of thy countenance the light, Lord, lift on us alway.

Upon my heart, bestowed by thee, more gladness I have found Than they, ev'n then, when corn and wine did most with them abound.

I will both lay me down in peace, and quiet sleep will take; Because thou only me to dwell in safety, Lord, dost make.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7

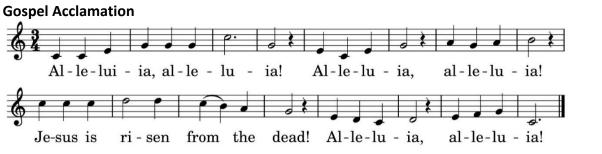
A Reading from the First Letter of John.

See 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. Beloved, 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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sins is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)



The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: (sung) Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look 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." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. 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." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People:(sung) Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon: Rev'd Janet

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

Affirmation of Faith: The Baptismal Covenant

PLEASE STAND

Presider: As we stand, I invite those who would like to make a profession of Christian faith to join with me in these words from our baptismal covenant.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

- People: I will, with God's help.
- Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?People: I will, with God's help.
- Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?People: I will, with God's help.
- Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself? **People:** I will, with God's help.
- Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?People: I will, with God's help.
- Presider: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?
- People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

Please respond to the petition "Let us pray to the Lord," with the response, "Hear us, Lord of Glory."

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 for ever. Amen.

The Peace

PLEASE STAND

Presider:	The peace of the Lord be always with you!
People:	And also with you!

(We encourage you to share peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

Offertory Hymn: I Know that My Redeemer Lives (*Tune: Duke St*) I know that my Redeemer lives; what joy the blest assurance gives! He lives, he lives, who once was dead; he lives, my everlasting Head!

He lives, to bless me with his love; he lives, to plead for me above; He lives, my hungry soul to feed; he lives, to help in time of need.

He lives, and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives, my mansion to prepare; he lives, to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name; he lives, my Saviour still the same; What joy the blest assurance gives; I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799; Tune: John Hatton, c. 1710-1793

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-2 of the Sanctus following:



The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice we sing the following:

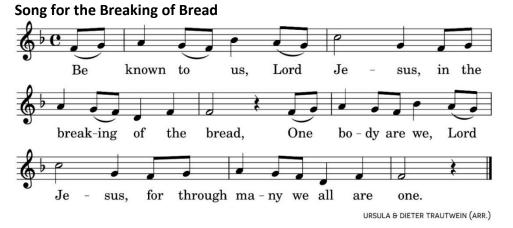
People: (verse 3) Glory to you, O Lord; glory for evermore! Glory, glory, glory to you!

The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing the following:

People: (verse 4) Glory to you, O Lord; glory for evermore! Amen, amen, amen!

The Breaking of the Bread #8

- Presider: Lord, we died with you on the cross.
- All: Now we are raised to new life.
- Presider: We were buried in your tomb.
- All: Now we share in your resurrection.
- Presider: Live in us, that we may live in you.



Choir: The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion in the body of Christ. One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

People: Be known to us, Lord Jesus . . .

Choir: All who eat of this bread, alleluia, will live for evermore. This is the true bread, alleluia, which has come to us from heav'n.

People: Be known to us, Lord Jesus . . .

- Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.
- People: Thanks be to God.

The Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion. If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Music During Communion

Let Us Be Bread



Choir: I am the bread of life, broken for all. Eat now and hunger no more.
All: Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, broken and shared, life for the world.
Let us be wine, love freely poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

Choir:You are my friends if you keep my commands, no longer servants but friends.All:Let us be bread ...

Create within Me a Clean Heart

Prayer after Communion

A. Adam, arr. J. Bell

PLEASE STAND

Doxology

All:

Presider: Glory to God,

People: 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Polychronia ("Many Years")

(Tune: Tallis' Canon)

JOIN IN SINGING

Celebrant: Let us call down God's blessing:

God give you many, many years to thank him for his blessings here. And many, many, many more to pray God still his grace to pour.

Easter Blessing

Presider: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Alleluia!**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever. **Alleluia!**

May God who has brought us out of bondage into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Alleluia!**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Recessional Hymn: CP #225 Come Away to the Skies

Come away to the skies, my beloved, arise and rejoice in the day thou wast born. On this festival day, come exulting away, and with singing to Zion return.

Now with singing and praise, let us spend all the days by our gracious Creator bestowed, While by grace we receive from God's bounty, we live to the honour and glory of God.

For the glory we were first created to share, both the nature and kingdom divine! Now created again that our lives may remain, throughout time and eternity thine.

We with thanks do approve the design of that love which has joined us to Jesus' name; So united in heart, let us nevermore part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.

Hallelujah we sing, to the heaven's high King, and our rapturous praises repeat: To the Lamb that was slain, hallelujah again, sing all heaven, and fall at his feet.

Dismissal

Presider:Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!People:Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Postlude: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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