

# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 1 MAY 2022

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II WITH HOLY BAPTISM

11:15 A.M.

# Prelude

# Welcome and Announcements

Hymn 182 Truro



**Opening Acclamation** BCP p. 413

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.** 

# The Lessons

# A reading from Acts (9:1—6)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 1002

Commentary:

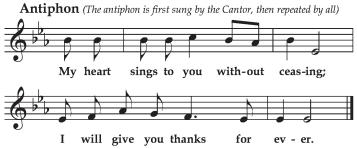
When Stephen, the first Christian martyr, was stoned to death, a young man named Saul actively approved of the execution (see Acts 8:1-3). Since Stephen's death, Saul had been persecuting Jews who had come to believe that Jesus was, indeed, the Messiah. Saul was given authority by the high priest in Jerusalem to arrest Jesus' Jewish followers who had fled to Damascus to escape persecution. However, Saul was literally stopped in his tracks by an encounter with the living, risen Lord. Jesus asked why Saul was persecuting Him, not His followers, but Jesus Himself. Saul was astounded to discover that the risen Christ was also present in His earthly disciples whom Saul was persecuting. Saul, later known as Paul, was converted on the road to Damascus, becoming a tireless advocate for the spread of the gospel to all nations.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30:1-4, 12-13

All sing the psalm verses and repeated antiphon.



I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me / up \* and have not let my enemies triumph / over me. O Lord my God, I cried / out to you, \* and you restored me to / health

# Psalm chant:



# ANTIPHON

You brought me up, O Lord, from the / dead; \*
you restored my life as I was going down to the / grave.
Sing to the Lord, you / servants of his; \*
give thanks for the remembrance of his / holiness.

### ANTIPHON

You have turned my wailing into / dancing; \*
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with / joy.
Therefore my heart sings to you without / ceasing; \*
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for / ever.

### ANTIPHON

# A reading from Revelation (5:11—14)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 1122

Commentary:

John's vision recorded in Revelation contained some unusual and unexpected features. John saw the Messiah as a Lamb being worshiped in the throne room of heaven, along with God the Father. Initially, the worshipers were four living creatures and twenty four elders (see Revelation 5:1-10), but they are now joined by an innumerable host, who ascribe to the Lamb seven attributes that are His by nature. Finally, this worship chorus is joined by 'every creature in heaven, on earth and under the earth'. For all creation, worship is the appropriate response to what God has done through Jesus Christ.

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 255 "We sing the glorious conquest"

Munich

The Holy Gospel: John 21:1—19

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 991

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred

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fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Right Reverend Robert Skirving

Hymn 295: "Sing praise to our creator"

Christus, der ist mein Leben

# The Holy Baptism

~ Jack Colin Meaney~ Child of Michelle and Joshua Meaney

~ Dawson Reed Montalto~ Child of Kristine and Lawrence Montalto

The service for Baptism begins on page 301 of the Book of Common Prayer.

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Celebrant: I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

Celebrant: You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People:

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Hymn: "Jesus loves me, this I know"

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

The Peace 308

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All loose plate offerings this day will be given to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund to be used for needs of the Church not covered by the Diocesan budget.

# The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Sung by the choir

Daniel Burton

I got me flowers to strew thy way;
I got me boughs off many a tree:
But thou wast up by break of day,
And brought'st thy sweets along with thee.

The Sun arising in the East, Though he give light, and the East perfume; If they should offer to contest With thy arising, they presume.

> Can there be any day but this, Though many suns to shine endeavour? We count three hundred, but we miss: There is but one, and that one ever.

> > George Herbert

Presentation Hymn Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

# **The Great Thanksgiving** — Eucharistic Prayer A

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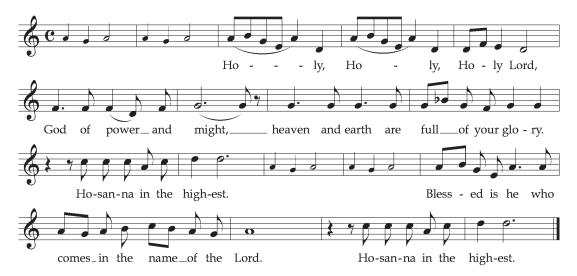
Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues, concluding with:

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues, concluding with:

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

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

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Celebrant and People

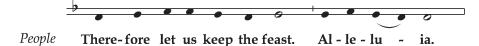
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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.

# The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction (S152):

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Cantor



The Communion of the People

(Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

Hymn 335 "I am the bread of life"

I Am the Bread of Life

Priest and People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you

# The Blessing

Hymn 490 "I want to walk as a child of the light"

with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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# The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Deacon

People Thanks be to God.

# Postlude



Celebrant and Preacher: The Right Reverend Robert Skirving

Assisting: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr. The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

The flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Edward Lee Ward, Dorothy C. Davis and Robert T. Davis, Lynn W. Pollock, Adelaide S. Ward

# PARISH CELEBRATION TODAY



Sunday, May 1 | 9:00 a.m. Service | Reception Following Service Following the service, there will be a reception on the St James lawn. All are welcome to join the Rt. Rev'd Robert Skirving, Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina along with those being confirmed, received, and reaffirmed for a time of fellowship and celebration.

Nursery Available during the Parish Celebration.

# THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

# MON.- FRI., MAY 2-6

 MORNING PRAYER 8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom

## **MONDAY, MAY 2**

- ST. JAMES SILENT AUCTION All Day | Bid Now Online!
- LIVING WELL IN THE MIDST OF GRIEF 5:00 PM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
- •FELLOWSHIP AA 7:00 PM | Great Hall

### **TUESDAY, MAY 3**

- ST. JAMES SILENT AUCTION All Day | Bid Now Online!
- •MEN'S AL ANON 5:15-7:00 PM | Bishop Wright Room

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

- •STARBUCKS BIBLE STUDY 7:00 AM | SB on S. 17th St.
- HOLY EUCHARIST 12:10 PM | St. James Parish
- ST. JAMES SILENT AUCTION Until 8:00 PM | Bid Now Online!
- EPISCOPOSSE BIBLE STUDY 8:15 PM | Zoom

# **THURSDAY, MAY 5**

• CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM | Choir Room

# FRIDAY, MAY 6

•SJDS 4's CLASS MOTHER'S TEA 11:00 AM | St. James Day School

# SATURDAY, May 7

 SUNRISE SERENITY AL-ANON 7:45 AM | Bishop Wright Room

# SUNDAY, MAY 8 MOTHER'S DAY

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I 8:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 9:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- •ONLINE LIVE STREAM 9 & 11:15 AM | Website or FB
- PARISH WIDE CELEBRATION 10:10 AM | St. James
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 11:15 AM | St. James Parish

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