



# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 14 APRIL 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:15 A.M.

## Prelude

Processional Hymn 210

“The day of resurrection”

*Ellacombe*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### Collect for Purity

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

### Gloria in excelsis

William Mathias

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right \_\_\_ hand \_\_\_ of the Fa - ther; re -  
 ceive our prayer. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly \_\_\_ Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. \_\_\_\_\_ A - - - men.

**The Collect of the Day**

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* 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 First Lesson: Acts 3:12–19**

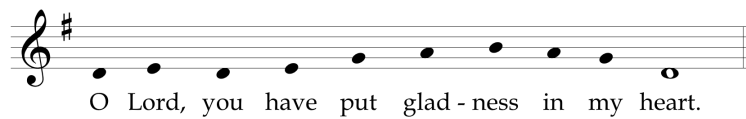
The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 995

*Commentary: The occasion for Peter's teaching in this passage was provided by the healing of a man crippled from birth. This miraculous cure caused a sensation, the opening Peter needed in order to talk about Jesus. Peter proclaimed the power and authority of the Name of Jesus, by which His disciples were enabled to continue His ministry on earth. Faith in Jesus, unseen but present in Peter, had given a crippled man complete healing. The miracle was a demonstration of Jesus' sovereignty, and Peter also pointed out that even Jesus' suffering was foretold by the prophets.*

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 him 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."

*People* The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Antiphon** (The antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then repeated by all)



Psalm chant:



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 dishonor my / **glory**; \*  
 how long will you worship dumb idols  
 and run after false / **gods**?”

**ANTIPHON**

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**.

**ANTIPHON**

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**.

**ANTIPHON**

You have put gladness in my / **heart**, \*  
 more than when grain and wine and oil in-/**crease**.  
 I lie down in peace; at once I fall a-/**sleep**; \*  
 for only you, LORD, make me dwell in /**safety**.

**ANTIPHON**

**The Epistle: 1 John 3:1–7**

NRSV, p. 1113

*Commentary: Scripture calls us God's children because that is what God has made us, the name simply expresses the reality. Although we are God's children, we do not yet fully reflect His image; that will happen when we see Jesus face to face. Anticipation of seeing and fully knowing Christ has a purifying effect on us now, turning us away from sin. It is by abiding in Christ that we are able to resist sin's temptation.*

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 sin 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.

*People* The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 209**

“We walk by faith and not by sight”

*St. Botolph*

*During the Sequence Hymn, the children leave for Children's Chapel*

**The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36b–48**

NRSV, p. 967

*People* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.

*People*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

The Reverend Gray Hodsdon

## The Nicene Creed

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*Celebrant and People*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and 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, of one 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 became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.**

## Prayers of the People

*The response to each petition:*

...Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

## The Peace

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*Celebrant*        The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*            **And also with you.**

## Welcome and Announcements

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Anthem

R. S. Thatcher

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;  
God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness;  
'Tis the spring of souls today, Christ hath burst his prison,  
And from three days sleep in death as a sun hath risen.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with day of splendor,  
With the royal feast of feasts, comes its joys to render;  
Comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection  
Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu's resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,  
Nor the watchers, nor the seal, hold thee as a mortal;  
But today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing  
That thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing

John Damascene, *trans.* J.M. Neale

**Presentation Hymn 618**

“Ye watchers and ye holy ones” *fourth stanza only*

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

O friends, in glad-ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems ech - o -  
 ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To  
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here, a proper preface is said, then the Celebrant continues...*

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:

**Sanctus**

“Holy, holy, holy Lord”

Mathias

Ho - - - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,  
 God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*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:*

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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,

### The Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

### Fraction Anthem: Hymn 417

*sung by all*

*vv. 1 & 2*

*Festival Canticle*

*Antiphon*

This is the feast\_\_\_\_\_ of vic - to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the\_ Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might to

1 blood set us free\_ to be peo - ple of God. [Ant.]  
2 God and\_ the\_ Lamb for ev - er. A - men. [Final Ant.]

*Final Antiphon*

This is the feast\_\_\_\_\_ of vic - to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia!

### The Communion of the People

*Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.*

#### Communion Hymns

Hymn 341	“For the bread which you have broken”	<i>Omni dei</i>
Hymn 204	“Now the green blade riseth”	<i>Noël nouvelet</i>
Hymn 488	“Be thou my vision”	<i>Slane</i>

### The Postcommunion Prayer

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*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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

## The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting 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 Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn 208

“The strife is o’er, the battle done”

*Victory*

## The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Postlude



*Celebrant: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard*

*Preacher: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon*

*Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan*

*Children's Chapel: Ansley Trask*

*St. Mary's, Burgaw: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.*

*The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Andrew Abbott McArtor and Rebekah Gentry*

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### MON.- FRI., APRIL 15-19

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

### MONDAY, APRIL 15

- BOOK DRIVE DONATION DEADLINE  
4:00 PM | Bacon House
- LIVING WELL IN MIDST OF GRIEF  
5:00 PM | Graham Parlor

### TUESDAY, APRIL 16

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY  
9:00 AM | Register for Location
- MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT  
THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER  
4:30 - 7:00 PM | Good Shepherd Center
- SPEAKER SERIES: BONHOEFFER IN  
A TIME OF RESPONSIBILITY  
6:00 - 7:30 PM | Great Hall & Zoom

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

- YOUTH BIBLE STUDY  
7:00 AM | 16th St. Starbucks
- HOLY EUCHARIST  
12:10 PM | St. James Parish

### THURSDAY, APRIL 18

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY  
6:30 PM | Register for Location
- CHOIR REHEARSAL  
7:00 PM | Choir Room

### FRIDAY, APRIL 19

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SATURDAY, APRIL 20

- HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UNITY  
BUILD - INTERIOR HARDWARE DAY  
7:45 AM - 2:00 PM | Register Online
- YOUTH SUNDAY PRACTICE  
10:30 AM | St. James Church

### SUNDAY, APRIL 21

#### **YOUTH SUNDAY**

- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE I  
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST  
8:30 - 9:10 AM | Great Hall
- PARISH SHOP OPEN  
8:45 - 10:30 AM | Parish Shop
- FAITH FORMATION HOUR  
9:10 - 10:00 AM | St. James Parish
- CHOIR REHEARSAL  
9:15 - 10:05 AM | Choir Room
- YOUTH LED: HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II  
10:15 AM | St. James Parish & Livestream  
\*Reception on the lawn to follow
- NEWCOMER TOUR  
11:30 AM | Begins in Great Hall
- GLOVER GATHERING: REMEMBERING  
THE REV. MORTIMER GLOVER  
11:30 AM | Lippitt Room
- WSYO CHAMBER ENSEMBLE CONCERT  
3:00 PM | Church
- IGNITE! BE THE LIGHT  
5:00 PM | Meet in the Perry Hall Parking Lot

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the April 22<sup>nd</sup> Weekly Digital Grapevine is Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

The deadline for the May Grapevine Magazine is April 29<sup>th</sup>. Email [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org).

# NEXT SUNDAY AT ST. JAMES

## YOUTH SUNDAY

### CELEBRATING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

*Sunday, April 21 | 10:15 a.m. Service*

Make plans to join us for a special Sunday of worship with our St. James Youth who will be sharing their Faith experiences and their thoughts about spiritual development. We will also celebrate our High School Seniors and hear their plans for their future. Have questions or would like to help support this wonderful time of worship? Reach out to Cookie at [Cookie@stjamesp.org](mailto:Cookie@stjamesp.org). Stick around after the service for a time of fellowship and celebration on the lawn.

### NEWCOMER CAMPUS TOUR

*Sunday, April 21, 2024 | 11:30AM | Great Hall*

After you've grabbed your goodies from the celebration with our young people, Newcomers and "oldcomers" are invited to join us for the Downtown Campus Tour! At around 11:30 a.m. We'll gather in the Great Hall for a time of fellowship and we'll form smaller groups for campus tours. We have some tremendous guides lined up. Our Downtown Parish Tour Guides will take you through the campus and introduce you to classrooms and meeting spaces. Childcare is available with advance registration. Please email Erin Becker at [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org) to let us know you plan to attend.

### GLOVER GATHERING:

#### REMEMBERING THE REV. MORTIMER GLOVER

*Sunday, April 21, 2024 | 11:30AM | Lippitt Room*

Also following our Youth Sunday service, all are warmly welcome to join the family of the Rev. Mortimer Glover for a time of remembrance on April 21st in the Lippitt Room. We will gather at St. James Episcopal Church following the 10:15 am. Our hope is to collect memories and share stories of Rev. Glover and his time at St. James. Light refreshments are to be served. Have questions about this opportunity or would like to share a story ahead of time? Please reach out to Jane Rippy.

### WILMINGTON SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

#### CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

*Sunday, April 21, 2024 | 3:00 PM | St. James Parish*

All are invited to join us for a free concert presented by the Wilmington Symphony Youth Orchestra Chamber Ensemble. Make plans to stop by St. James Episcopal Church on Sunday, April 21st at 3:00 p.m. for beautiful music from our talented neighbors!

#### FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- April 27 - Committee for Racial Unity Meeting
- April 28 - Celebrating the Ministry of The Rev. Cheryl & Don Brainard
- April 28 - Bread Breakers Hospitality at Home | The Currin Family
- May 5 - Bishop Visit and Confirmation
- May 19 - Pentecost
- May 26 - Summer services open at Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- June 2 - Parish Picnic and Send-Off for The Rev. Cheryl Brainard

### ST. JAMES SPEAKER SERIES: BONHOEFFER IN A TIME OF RESPONSIBILITY

*Tuesdays Beginning April 16, 2024 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM*

The St. James Speaker Series is pleased to announce a very special upcoming four-part evening series on the writings and work of theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Led by Bonhoeffer scholar, Dr. Wayne Floyd (husband of SJP special friend Nancy Jose!), we invite you join us on Tuesdays, beginning April 16 for Bonhoeffer In a Time of Responsibility. Series installments for April will be held in the Great Hall, 6:00-7:30pm, and will begin with a light dinner, followed by Wayne Floyd's presentation and concluding with a time for questions and brief closing Compline. While the series is open to all, reservations for dinner (\$15 per person) are required. RSVP online.

### MEN ON A MISSION: GLORY RIDGE

*April 25 - 28, 2024 | Departure: Thursday, 10:00 AM  
| Return: Sunday, 4:00 PM*

This April, the St. James Men on a Mission will travel to Marshall, NC to get Glory Ridge ready for summer 2024. They will also as make some light construction improvements on behalf of the folks in the very impoverished surrounding area. They plan to send a team of 20 MoM members and male adult guests who are ready to serve in this way. No construction skills are needed, but you will need to be able to navigate the uneven paths and terrain of the camp. A \$100 per registrant fee will help cover the costs of food, lodging in the cabins, and transportation. Visit the MoM Page on the St. James website to learn more, donate, or register! [stjamesp.org/mom-gr24](http://stjamesp.org/mom-gr24)

### ST. JAMES COMMITTEE FOR RACIAL UNITY

*Saturday, April 27 | 9:00 - 11:30 am | Great Hall*

All are warmly welcome to join the Committee for Racial Unity for a time of education and conversation on Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 - 11:30am with a light continental breakfast starting at 8:30am. We are open to all, so whether you have already been to some meetings or are new and looking to engage, we would love to see you on April 27! Childcare is available with advance registration.

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