THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:00 a.m.        April 26, 2020

“Alleluia! Christ is Risen!”

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

To all who are Joyful and Thankful, to all who Mourn and Need Comfort, to all who are Weary and Need Rest, to all who are Friendless and wish Friendship, to all who Pray and all who Do Not but Might, to all who Need a Savior, and to Whoever will, the Church opens wide the Door and in the Name of Christ, says “Welcome!”
Procesional Hymn  
*Come thou fount of every blessing* LEVAST 111, Page 9, leaflet

Opening Acclamation

**Presider**  
Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

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

The Presider and people pray together the Collect for Purity

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.**

Hymn of Praise

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God’s 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 of the Day

**Presider**  
The Lord be with you.

**People**  
And also with you.

**Presider**  
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 forever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

*The People sit for*
The First Lesson: Acts 2:14a, 36-41
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 God for the people of God. People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 (The People remain seated and pray in unison)
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!

The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:17-23
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.

Reader The word of God for the people of God. People Thanks be to God.

The People stand

The Gospel Procession Have thine own way Lord, LEVAS145 Page 10, leaflet


People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.


The Homily
A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

The Rev. Karen Calafat

The Nicene Creed
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.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
Who 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.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault
at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Scott, our own Bishop; for all bishops and other
ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that
all may be one as you and the Creator are one, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of
the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations
and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald, our President; Greg, our Governor;
and Betsy, our Mayor; that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of
every person, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this Diocese, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health; Lord, hear our prayers for those we now name _____________, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

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

All

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Blessing

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.
The Easter Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude
Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing – LEVAS II 111

1. Come, Thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by thy help I’m come; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Surely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand’ring from the fold of Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love.

3. O, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I’m constrained to be; Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to serve. Praise, teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Prone the mount, O fix me on it, Mount of God’s unchanging love.

God, He, to save my soul from danger, Interposed His precious blood. Love. Here’s my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it from thy courts above.
Have Thine Own Way Lord – LEVAS II 145

1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
2. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
3. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!

1. Thou art the pot - ter, I am the clay!
2. Search me and try me, Mas - ter, to - day!
3. Wound - ed and wea - ry, Help me, I pray!
4. Hold o’er my be - ing Ab - so - lute sway!

1. Mold me and make me Aft - er thy will,
2. Pur - er than snow, Lord, Wash me just now,
3. Pow - er all pow - er Surely is thine!
4. Fill with thy Spir - it ’Til all shall see

1. While I am wait - ing, Yield - ed and still.
2. As in thy pres - ence Hum - bly I bow.
3. Touch me and heal me, Sav - ior di - vine!
4. Christ on - ly, al - ways, Liv - ing in me!

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