

## Sunday, April 26, 2020 MORNING PRAYER

### EASTER 3

Place a bowl of water near you as we remember our baptism  
Bold parts are congregational responses

Prelude Music (as we wait to enter the livestream)

Announcements

### Gathering of the Community

#### Acknowledgment of the Land

In this time and place we gather on the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, and Dakota people and the homeland of the Metis Nation. As we come from many places and peoples, we are grateful for their stewardship of this land and their hospitality which allows us to live, work and serve God the Creator here.

We gather in the name of the living God.

**We stand in the presence of Jesus Christ, risen and alive.**

Knit together in the unity of the Spirit.

**We pray with God's people around the earth and across the ages.**

Heaven and earth are one.

**In the unity of the Holy and Blessed One, Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
May God's grace and peace be with you.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
**May God fill our hearts with joy!**

#### Thanksgiving for Baptism

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised to new life in the Spirit. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. **(dip finger into water and place a cross on your forehead)**

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Gathering Hymn

**VU # 352 I Danced in the Morning**

Collect of the Day Let us pray: Risen Christ, companion on the way: break through the disillusionment and despair which cloud our vision, so that we may find our way and journey on as messengers of your good news. **Amen.**

### Word

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

I love the Lord, **\*because he has heard my voice and my supplications.**

Because he inclined his ear to me, **\*therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

**\*I suffered distress and anguish.**

Then I called on the name of the Lord: **\*"O Lord, I pray, save my life!"**

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

**\* I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,**

I will pay my vows to the Lord **in the presence of all his people.**

Precious in the sight of the Lord **is the death of his faithful ones.**

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.

**\*You have loosed my bonds.**

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice **\*and call on the name of the Lord.**

I will pay my vows to the Lord **in the presence of all his people,**

in the courts of the house of the Lord, **\*in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!**

A Reading from 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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke (24:13-35)

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Now on that same day two of them 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 Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Message

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Hymn

**CP #393 How Firm a Foundation**

Affirmation of Faith

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People “Hear our Prayer”

The Lord’s Prayer

**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**

**SENDING**

Blessing:

May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Hymn

**# 405 Alleluia #1**

Dismissal

Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude Music

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Today we are praying for:

Al, Margaret, Yvette, Ally, Corey, Sally, Audrey, Kay, Chase, Jodie, Lois, Peter, Bill, Robbie, Julie, Joe, Connie, Cheryle, Elaine, Tim, Laura, Annabele, Brenda, April, Tom, Matthew, Joanna, Carrie, Wayne, Bob, Randy, Gail, Dave, Segurbjorg, Nathan, Larry, Debbie, Kathy, William, Nicole, Susan, Sylvia, Taylor, Joan, Marvin, Willow and her family, Marion, Tyler, Mandie, Bailey, Will, Jennie, Gloria

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