



ST. THOMAS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am

The very first Easter taught us this: that life never ends and love never dies.

Kate McGahan

VOLUNTARY

Allegretto, op. 65 no. 4

Felix Mendelssohn

All rise as able as the bell tolls.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

Jesus lives! thy terrors now

1 Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er, death, ap -
 2 Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to Je - sus
 3 Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall
 4 Je - sus lives! to him the throne o - ver all the world is

pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know thou, O
 liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide, glo - ry
 sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us
 giv - en: may we go where he has gone, rest and

grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!
 to our Sa - vior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
 reign with him in hea - ven. Al - le - lu - ia!

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 Music: *St. Albinus*, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

All Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

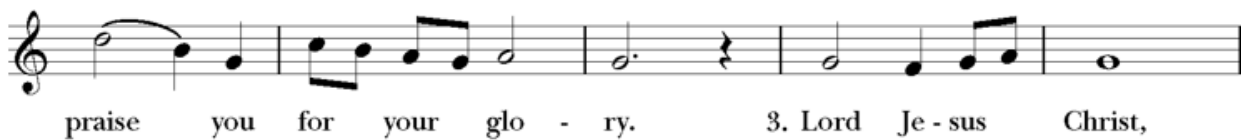
COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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.

All Amen.

GLORIA

All sing.



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William Matthias
(1934-1992)

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 7. 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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All 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.

All Amen.

All may be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (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 the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

chant by Percy Buck

Dilexi, quoniam

Sung by the choir.

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 READING

Lector A reading from the first letter to of 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

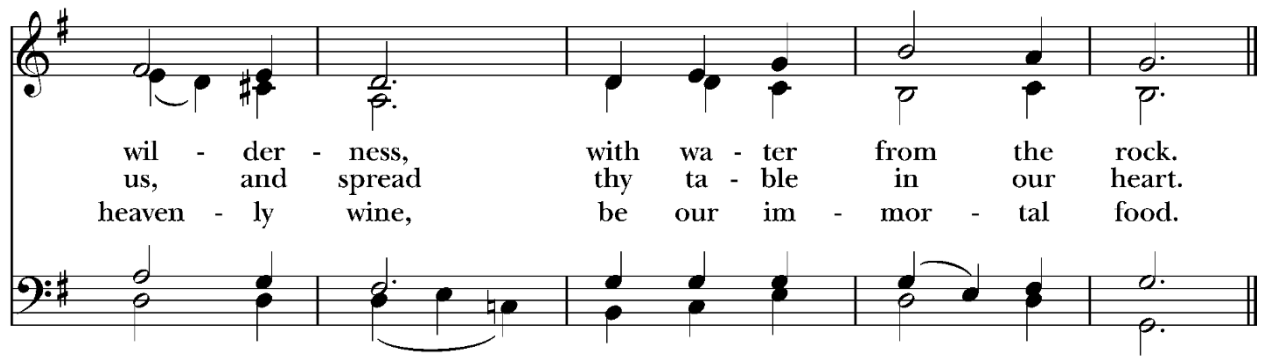
All rise, as able, and sing.

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

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Music: *St. Agnes*, melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876); harm. Richard Proulx (1937-2010), after John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)



THE GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (24:13-35).
All **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.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Edmund Harris

All may be seated.

Silence follows the sermon.

All rise as able.

THE NICENE CREED

All 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

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; in the Anglican Cyle of Prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma); and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Saint Mark’s Cathedral, Seattle and St. Paul’s, Seattle.

All That we all may be one.

- Intercessor* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
All **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**
- Intercessor* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
All **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**
- Intercessor* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
All **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**
- Intercessor* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
All **That our works may find favor in your sight.**
- Intercessor* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially :
All **The family of Hannah T. & the St. Monica School community, Brody, Betsy, Rees, Kim, Alayne, Francine, Matthew, Lynn, Kellee, John, Andy, Emily, Bill, Louise, Fred, Zarin, Nancy, Steve, Mary, Kathy, Mary, George, Mary Ann, Martha, and Catherine & Jim.**
That they may be delivered from their distress.
- Intercessor* Give to the departed eternal rest, especially:
All **Mary Ann Hooper, Hannah T., Yvonne Pigott, Jerry VanDyk, Dorothy Janke, Mark Moriarty, Susan Gibson, and Alex Schmitz.**
Let light perpetual shine upon them.
- Intercessor* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
All **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**
- Intercessor* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence is held.
- Intercessor* Lord,
All **Hear our prayer.**
- Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All **Amen.**

The Church of the Province of Myanmar is the Anglican Communion's member church in Myanmar (Burma), with its headquarters in Yangon and approximately 70,000 members. Formed as an independent province in 1970 (renamed in 1989), its roots date to the arrival of Anglican chaplains with the British in 1825 and the creation of the Diocese of Rangoon in 1877. Today the province is led by Archbishop Stephen Than Myint Oo and is organized into nine dioceses, including Yangon, Mandalay, Myitkyina, Sittwe, Toungoo, and Hpa-an. The church maintains classic Anglican episcopal polity and worship grounded in the Book of Common Prayer. Its ministries emphasize evangelism, theological education, and social outreach, often in partnership with the Myanmar Council of Churches.

All rise, as able.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We greet one another with a sign of peace.

All may be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We share some of the many ways to be engaged in the life of our community.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

An offering is received to support the mission of St. Thomas. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, using the QR code at right, at stthomasmedina.org/giving, or at Paypal with email donations@stthomasmedina.org.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM *This joyful Eastertide* Dutch Carol, arr. William H. Harris

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain—but now Christ is arisen!

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber:
Till trumpet from east to west shall wake the dead in number.
Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain—but now Christ is arisen!

Death's flood hath lost his chill since Jesus cross'd the river:
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.
Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain—but now Christ is arisen!

text: George Ratcliffe Woodward

PRESENTATION HYMN

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

All stand as able and sing.

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

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

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 Music: *Gelobt sei Gott*, Melchior Vulpus (1560?-1616)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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 & BENEDICTUS

All sing.

The musical score is written on five staves of music. The lyrics are: 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.

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The people remain standing, or kneel.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***All* Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.

***All* AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Bread is broken.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Agnus Dei

All sing.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion.

*Ushers will guide each row to the altar to receive Holy Communion. Please follow their instructions. Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is **not** available at this time. If you prefer to receive a blessing (or not to receive bread and/or wine), place your arms across your chest as a sign. Gluten-free Holy Communion wafers are available upon request. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please inform the priest at the altar rail.*

COMMUNION HYMN

Stay with us

All sing.

1 Stay with us, till night has come: our praise to
 2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: hear when our
 3 Walk with us, the road will bend: make all our
 4 Talk with us, till we be - hold a joy - ful
 5 Stay with us, till day is done: no tears nor

you this day be sung. Bless our bread, o - pen our
 wear - y spir - its cry, feel a - gain our loss, our
 weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, for - give our
 life you will un - fold: heal our eyes to see the
 dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, your grace im -

eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.
 pain: Je - sus, take us to your side.
 fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.
 prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.
 part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

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COMMUNION HYMN

As we gather at your table

All sing.

1. As we gath - er at your
2. Turn our wor - ship in - to

Ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your Word, help us
wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life; send us

know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be
forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is

stirred. Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we
strife. Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for -

claim it as our own; teach us through this ho - ly
give as you for - gave; may we still be - hold your

ban - quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
im - age in the world you died to save. *to verse 3*

3. Gra - cious Spi - rit, help us

sum - mon oth - er guests to share that Feast where tri -

um - phant Love will wel - come those who had been last and

least. There no more will en - vy blind us nor will

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pride our peace des - troy, as we join with saints and
 an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

All rise as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

***All* 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.**

EUCHARISTIC VISITOR BLESSING ** *When appropriate.*

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

***All* We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

BLESSING

Celebrant 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.

***All* Amen.**

HYMN AT THE RECESSION

Come risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

All sing.

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay,
 2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met; thou
 3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one
 4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee, who

let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
 at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:
 Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest;
 art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest in
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet: faith
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see; be

thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
 all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
 known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

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 Music: *Rosedale*, Loe Sowerby (1895-1968)

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, alleluia.
All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in G major, BWV 568

Johann Sebastian Bach

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