

April 18, 2021

## Third Sunday of



St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Lebanon, OR  
Rev. Debbie Vanover, Celebrant

Prelude "Morning has Broken"

Opening Hymn "Come ye faithful raise the strain" **Hymn 199**

Still no singing in church 🙄🙏🙏

Greeting

- Alleluia, The Lord is Risen!
- The Lord is Risen Indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Acclimation:** 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.**

**Collect:** 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.**

### First Lesson A Reading from the Book of Acts 3:12-19

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.

### Psalm 4

1 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.

2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; \*  
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
and put your trust in the Lord.

6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

## **Second Lesson**

## **A Reading from the Epistle of John**

**1 John 3:1-7**

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.

## **Gospel Hymn**

**"Come away to the skies"**

**Hymn 213**

## **The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke 24:36b-48**

*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.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord,**  
*Praise to you, Lord Christ*

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Debbie Vanover**

**Nicene Creed**

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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 for the Third Sunday of Easter

*After this and every petition, the leader says Lord, hear us.*

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

In the flesh and bones of the risen Christ, the invisible God stands among us.  
Let us pray to God for the needs of all believers and of all peoples everywhere.

For the holy churches in every place, and for the unity of all.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For this parish family of St. Martin's, that we will faithfully bear witness to the risen Christ  
in word and deed.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For this holy assembly and for all who gather in Christ.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For Michael our presiding bishop, Diana our Bishop, all deacons and clergy, and all who  
minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For all those in danger and need, the sick, the suffering, and the oppressed, and the dying.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For those who have gone before us under the sign of faith, and for all the departed,  
especially Tina Blazer Hadley and those known to God.

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

For ourselves, our families, and those we love, especially those on our prayer list and those  
we name at this time, silently or aloud

Lord, hear us.

*People Lord, graciously hear us.*

Remembering the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Martin, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves  
and one another to the living God through Christ

*To you, O Lord.*

### ***Celebrant***

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for you sent Christ to suffer and rise from the dead. Hear  
our prayers which we offer through his presence, and proclaim forgiveness of sins to all  
nations. Glory to you for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

**The Peace**

*(Just wave from your pew)*

- The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
- And also with you.

**Offertory Music**

*“How Majestic is your Name”*

**The Liturgy of the Table**

**The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C**

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The Lord be with you.

*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.*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us.*

*By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Ancestors: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer** *said not sung*

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

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### Communion Hymn

*“Awake Arise lift up your voice”*

**Hymn 212**

**Communion of the People** ~ *The wafer only will be brought to you; please wait until Rev. Debbie is out of your pew before removing your mask to eat your wafer*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

### Post-Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

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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.**

### Seasonal Blessings

#### Closing Hymn

*“Alleluia, Alleluia”*

**Hymn 178**

#### Dismissal

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

### Postlude