



ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2018 AT 10:30 A.M.

TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INTRODUCTION

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Lord's day.

In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures: the two main elements of our Sunday worship.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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*Please stand if able P: Pastor; A: Assisting Minister; C: Congregation (ELW—red book; WOV—blue book)

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Paul Christ
*Confession and Forgiveness ELW p. 116-118
*Sharing the Peace P: The peace of the Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**
*Gathering Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ELW #858
*Apostolic Greeting ELW p. 120
*Prayer of the Day
P: Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: **Amen.**

WORD

Children's Sermon Rev. Paul Christ
Lessons Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7 Ginger Carpenter
*The Holy Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia, Alleluia..." ELW p. 124
*The Gospel Reading P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke. C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** Luke 24:36b-48
P: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**
The Sermon Rev. Paul Christ
*Hymn of the Day "The Day of Resurrection!" ELW #361
*Apostles' Creed ELW p. 127
*Intercessory Prayer A: Lord in your mercy. C: **Hear our prayer.** Ginger Carpenter

MEAL

The Offering / Offertory Myra Long
*Offering Presentation / Response "Doxology" ELW #884
*Offertory Prayer A: Let us pray... C: **Amen.** Ginger Carpenter
*The Eucharistic Prayer V ELW p. 65-66
*The Lord's Prayer Traditional ELW p. 134

Distribution

Holy Communion Invitation: We welcome all who are baptized to the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Communion is served by Intinction. You will be given a wafer, which you then dip into the chalice of wine. If unable to come forward, stand where you are, and you will be served there. Children who are baptized are welcome to commune.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ELW p. 135
Distribution Hymn "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" ELW #628
*Post Communion Blessing
*Post Communion Prayer A: Let us pray... C: **Amen.** Ginger Carpenter

SENDING

*The Benediction P: Almighty God . . . C: **Amen.**
*Sending Hymn "How Great Thou Art" ELW #856
Dismissal P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

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FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD by the St. Mark's congregation.

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

Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer. How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him. When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds and be silent. Offer right sacrifices and put your trust in the LORD. There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!" You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

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.

LUKE 24:36b-48

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."

LITURGY - WORK OF THE PEOPLE

Presiding Pastor: Rev. Paul Christ

Assisting Minister: Ginger Carpenter

Communion Assistants: Kermit Nash, Zach Gardner

Altar Guild: Hilka Cox, Paul & Kathy Gibson

Director of Music/Organist: Myra Long

Tabulators: Dotty Isenhour, Chris Cloninger, Nicky Setzer

Deacons: Tiffany Caudill, Tanya Stephenson

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