

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SHIPPENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA



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The Third Sunday of Easter

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Dear Friends,

We welcome you to our worship this day in the season of Easter. We are delighted that you have come to worship with us during this celebratory season of Easter which lasts fifty days, during which we acknowledge and embrace the new life offered to us through the resurrection of Jesus. Good morning.

Rather than offering the service of Holy Eucharist this morning we will focus on God's Word, in a simpler way, setting before us a time of focusing our thoughts and opening our hearts on the scripture.

We set this Sunday, and our own lives, of course within this season of the Coronavirus and our ongoing and deepening concern for the well-being of the world. We may find this time of isolation and fear to be a very difficult time, and yet, as others have said, this is exactly the time that our spiritual practices of worship, prayer, living in community, and being formed as Christians has prepared us for. I trust that we will find a way to live out of the truth and strength of God in this very challenging time, for I trust God to be a part of our lives.

And so, we can rejoice that we can gather in a new way, for we hold this prayer within our hearts.

Make us an Easter people, O Christ, whose name is "Alleluia." May we, like Mary, rise in joy when you call our name. May we, like Thomas, see and believe. May we, like Peter, become bold and brace. May we, like Cleopas, meet you in every road. May we, like them, be utterly changed, in the victory of the love by which you left your tomb, and saved us forever from death. In your name, Jesus. Amen.

Liturgy for the Whole Church

To prepare our hearts and minds for worship, we seek to share quiet and silence before our services. We invite you to join us in this spiritual practice.

Faithfully, Mother Barbara

GATHERING ANNOUNCEMENT

TOLLING BELL INVITING SILENCE TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

GATHERING CHANT

God is in this place



BELL CALLING US TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN #207 Jesus Christ is Risen today!

Descant

The musical score is arranged in four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The descant is indicated at the beginning of the first system. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

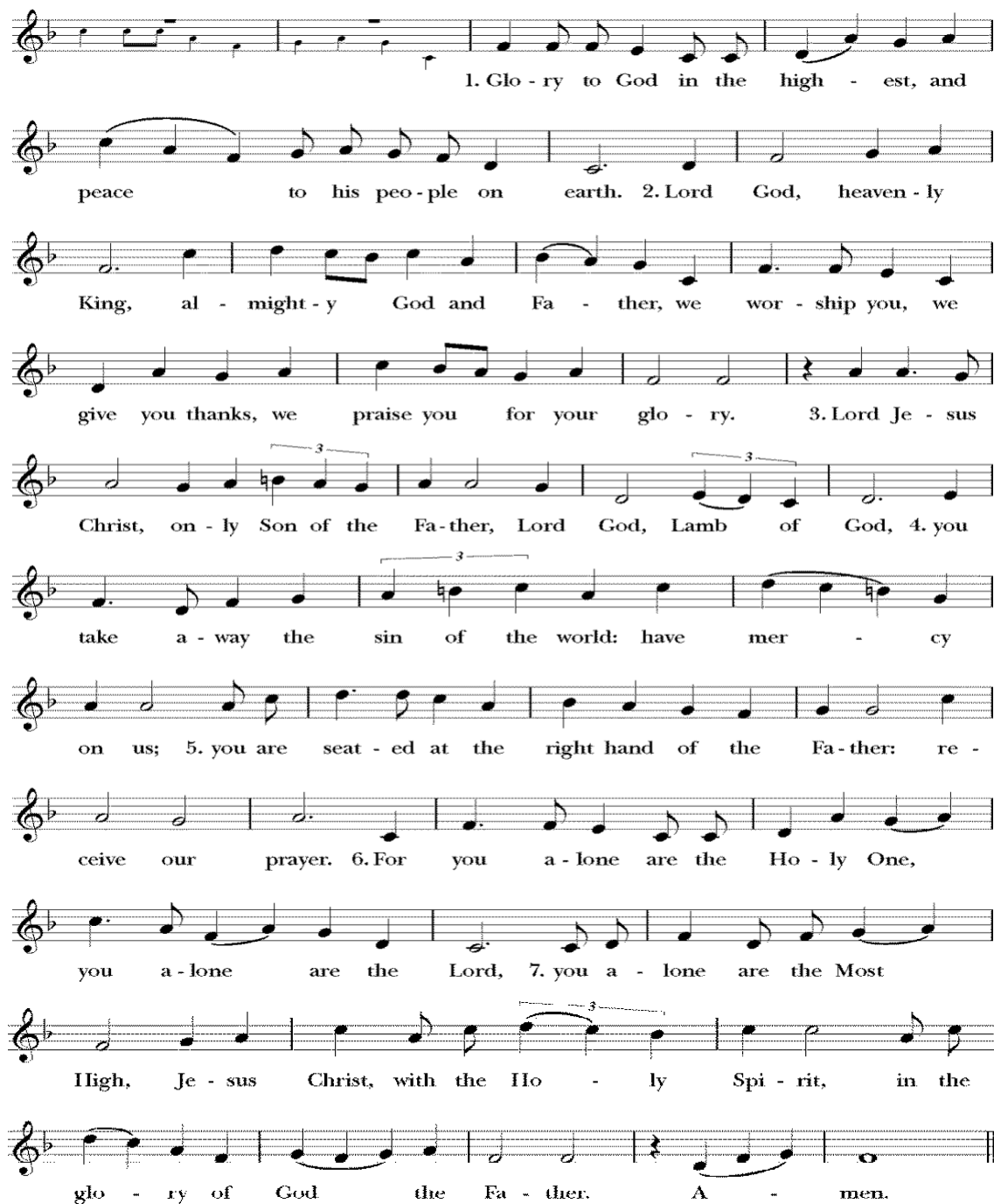
who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For 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 musical score is written on ten staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some half notes and rests. There are several triplet markings (indicated by a '3' and a bracket) over groups of three eighth notes on the fourth, fifth, and ninth staves. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line on the tenth staff.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

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.

<i>Lector</i>	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17 (*please say aloud the verses in bold type*)

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!

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.

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Luke 24:13-35

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

Mother Barbara

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form II)

We ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry and for our Diocesan Bishop, Audrey Scanlan, for this gathering of hearts; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

We ask your prayers for our visitors today, those new to our worship, who are seeking a closer relationship with God, that they may sense the love and compassion of Christ through our worship and as expressed by our love which knows no bounds and casts away all isolation. Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

We ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

We ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We especially pray for the residents of the Episcopal Home: Barbara, Frank, Shirley, Mary, Sharon, Jo, Myrtle, Cathy, Mary, Juanita, Gary, Carole, Marietta, Frank, Edna, Ruth, and Paula and the staff of the Episcopal Home: Mary Grace, Becky, Julie, Donna, Kathy, Tonja, Tamey, Lorrie, Alyssa, Ada, Jen, Sondra, Esther, Wayne, Anita, Tammy, Laurie, Effie, Diane, Mike, and Jane, and all who love them We also pray for Kathy, Julie, Kim and Audrey, Evan, Wanda, Brian Rotz, Ellen, Jeanine, Brian Helman, Ellen Harkins and her family, Fred Detschel, Lori, Sherry, Jim and family, Virginia, the Watts family and Pedro, Regina, Patricia and Josh, Nan, Gary, Janet, Daimen, Rachel Mooney, Josh, Mina, Robert Carter, Laura, Cheryl, June, Rose M., Susan, Tom, Matthew, and Connor, Samantha, Stan and Dottie. We also pray for God's peace and protection to be upon those who are in active duty in our military: John Hall, Kelley Williams, Andrew Harkins, Levi Nelson, Brad Arnold, Kyle Hubert, Brent Welch,

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

We seek God's grace and mercy upon all who are experiencing the effects of the coronavirus pandemic in the world: those who are suffering from physical discomfort, isolation, disrupted

routines, uncertainty and fear. We seek the blessings of unity in Christ-like love, praying and caring for each other with patience and persistence, holding each other in our hearts when we are unable to gather together.

Silence

We ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

We ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may offer their prayers or thanksgivings.

We ask your prayers for _____. *(Please add your own offerings, aloud or in the silence of your heart.)*

We ask your thanksgiving for _____. *(Please add your own offerings, aloud or in the silence of your heart.)*

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

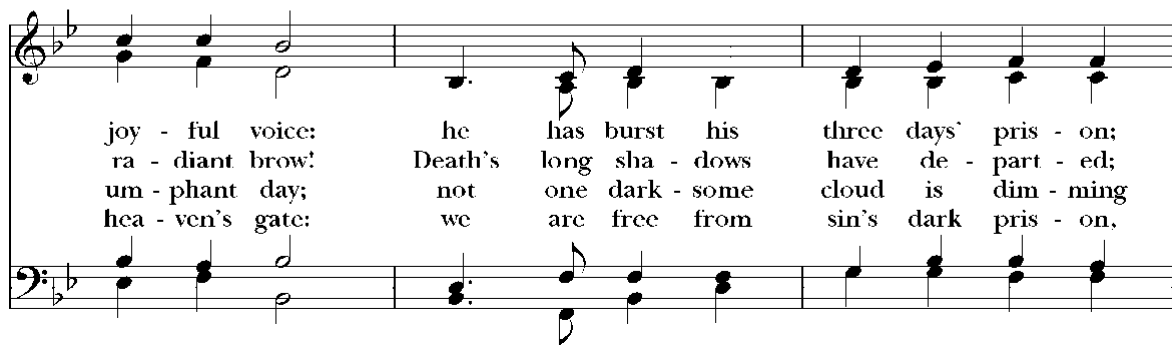
Officiant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**


THE CLOSING HYMN #180 He is risen, he is risen!




1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
 *3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
 4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened



joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
 ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on.



let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er



we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

OUR OFFERING TO OUR MISSION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

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 BLESSING

Officiant The peace of God, which passes all understanding; keep your heart and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of God’s Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

INSTRUMENTAL OFFERING

Worship Ministers

Officiant	The Rev. Barbara Hutchinson
Church Musician	Kevin Gorman
Vocalists	Kevin Gorman Milan Shepherd Michelle DiBona Trefren
Lectors	Nichol Free (Reading from Acts) Sue and Samantha Davis (Psalm) Gary Murrell (Epistle)
Homilist	Mother Barbara
Prayers of the People	The Rev. Deacon Wanda Kloza
Dismissal	James and Thomas Williams