

TRINITY CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF ASBURY PARK, NJ

The Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

Today's service will be an Instructed Eucharist. The clergy will pause throughout the service to explain what we are doing and why we do it. There will only be one reading today. The reading and the homily will be especially kid-friendly. Next week, and most weeks September-early June, we offer Sunday school for children during the Liturgy of the Word (the first half of the service, before communion, the Liturgy of the Table).

Prelude

All who can please stand. Children and youth are invited to join Dr. King around the piano in the chancel.

Hymn 405 "All things bright and beautiful"

Royal Oak

Greeting

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Gloria

said together

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 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. **Amen.**

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (John 21:1-19¹)

At the Announcement, all say **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Some time has passed since Jesus came to the disciples. But he never stays. He always goes away again. They will have to live without him. Things will never be the way it was in the old days, when Jesus and the 12 disciples went around the region, followed by crowds of people. Peter, Thomas, James, John, Nathanael and two other disciples are sitting around doing nothing. But that will not do, not anymore. It's time to get back to normal. So one day Peter says he is going fishing." The others say, "We'll go, too." The seven men climb into their fishing boat with their fishing nets. All day long, they fish. All night long, they fish. They catch—nothing. Now it is daybreak. They still have no fish. They are ready to give up, so they start to row toward the shore. A man is standing on the beach. He shouts to them, "Hey! You don't have any fish, do you?" They shout back, "No, we don't! We did not catch anything all day and all night!" The man says, "Here's what you can do. Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some fish." As soon as the net goes into the water, the fish start filling it up. In only a few minutes, the net is so heavy and so full of fish that the men can barely pull it up into the boat. After a lot of huffing and puffing, they pull the net up and over the side of the boat. As it plops into the boat, it tips the men over onto their backs. What a catch! John squints into the light and looks again at the man standing on the beach. He looks familiar, the way he is standing there watching them. He says to Peter, "It is the Lord!" Peter stares at the man. Yes, it is Jesus! Peter jumps out of the boat and into the water. He can't wait to be with Jesus. But the other disciples stay in the boat, though one of them mutters, "That Peter! Won't even help us row the boat and carry the fish!" But they don't mind because they know how excited Peter is to see Jesus. They are excited, too. They just aren't going to jump into the sea and swim to him. The disciples drag the boat onto the beach. Jesus had made a charcoal fire. And he has fish and bread with him. "Hmm," says one of the disciples. "Just like the time he fed those 5,000 people with fish and bread. Here he is again, to feed us." Jesus says, "Bring some of those fish to me, the ones that you just caught." Peter jumps up to help. Together, all the men bring the net full of fish. They count them: 153 fish! Way more than we can eat! Before, there was not enough and Jesus made it more. Now, there is an abundance! As they are looking at the fish, Jesus calls to them, "Come and have breakfast!" The disciples know that this is Jesus, their Lord. So no one dares to ask him, "Who are you?" But they wonder. They wonder, until Jesus takes the bread and gives it to them, and then takes the fish and gives it to them. Now they know. He always feeds them like this.

The Reader says The Gospel of the Lord

All Reply **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

¹ Gospel paraphrased in "Weaving God's Promises" children's curriculum

The Prayers of the People

The Celebrant will invite the people to offer prayers.

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Celebrations and Thanksgivings

The Offering

The Great Thanksgiving

All who can, please stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:

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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant proceeds Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Celebrant and People **Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.**

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

Celebrant and People **In the fullness of time bring us, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.**

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,
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.**

At the Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The sacrament of Holy Communion is a profound and central part of our worship. In it we receive God's promise to set aside all that separates us; we strengthen our union with Christ and one another; and we experience a foretaste of the time when all creation will share the feast God has prepared for us. All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are invited to join us at the Lord's Table.

Post Communion Prayer

All who can please stand

God of abundance, **you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Easter Blessing

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 God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, who is our Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

We are march - ing in the light of God, we are
 march-ing in the light of God. We are march - ing in the
 light of God, we are march-ing in the light of God.
 We are march-ing, Oo we are
 march-ing in the light of God. We are march-ing,
 Oo we are march-ing in the light of God.

2. We are praying in the light of God,
 We are praying in the light of God,
 We are praying in the light of God,
 We are praying in the light of, the light of God.
 We are praying, praying, we are praying, praying,
 We are praying in the light of, the light of God.
 We are praying, praying we are praying, praying,
 We are praying in the light of God.

3. We are singing in the light of God,
 We are singing in the light of God,
 We are singing in the light of God,
 We are singing in the light of, the light of God.
 We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing,
 We are singing in the light of, the light of God.
 We are singing, singing we are singing, singing,
 We are singing in the light of God.

Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the congregation with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude

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