



St. Mark's Anglican Church

*The Third Sunday of Easter*

April 19 2026

Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am

*Welcome to St. Mark's.*

*The order of service is set forth in this service sheet.  
Please stand and kneel as you are able—and as is your custom.  
Please join in singing the hymns and saying the parts printed in **bold***

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PRELUDE    *Pastorale*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

HYMN 224

*Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice*

*Celebrant*    Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
*People*        **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant*    May his grace and peace be with you.  
*People*        **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

*Celebrant*    Almighty God,  
*All*             **to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
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.**

GLORY TO GOD

*Common Praise, no. 686*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God,  
the strength of those who believe  
and the hope of those who doubt,  
may we, who have not seen, have faith  
and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

*Reader:* Penny-Lynn Cookson

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.

*Reader* Thanks be to God.

PSALM

116:1-3, 10-17

*Cantor first, then all sing the refrain.*

*The Choir sings the verses and the Congregation sings the refrain where indicated*

I will walk be-fore the Lord, I will walk be-fore the

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Lord, in the land of the liv - ing.

I love the Lord, for he has heard my voice, my appeal  
For he has turned his ear to me  
whenever I call.

***Refrain***

They surrounded me, the snares of death,  
the anguish of the grave has found me;  
anguish and sorrow I found.

I called on the name of the Lord:  
"Deliver my soul, O Lord!"

***Refrain***

How gracious is the Lord, and just;  
our God has compassion,  
The Lord protects the simple.  
I was brought low and he saved me.

***Refrain***

He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears,  
and my feet from stumbling.  
I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living

***Refrain***

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:17-23

*Reader:* Penny-Lynn Cookson

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.

*Reader*      Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

Music: Cavanaugh Keith Landis, 1993



Light of the minds that know him, may Christ be light to  
 Life of the souls that love him, may Christ be ours in  
 Strength of the wills that serve him, may Christ be strength to  
 May it be ours to know him that we may truly  
 mine! My sun in risen splendour, my light of  
 deed! The living bread from heaven on whom our  
 me, who stilled the storm and tempest who calmed the  
 love, and loving fully serve him as serve the  
 truth divine, my guide in doubt and darkness my  
 spirits feed, who died for love of sinners to  
 tossing sea; his Spirit's power to move me, his  
 saints above, till in that home of glory with  
 true and living way, my clear light ever  
 bear our guilty load and make of life's brief  
 will to master mine, his cross to carry  
 fadeless splendour bright, we serve in perfect  
 shining, my dawn of heaven's day.  
 journey a new Emmaus road.  
 daily and conquer in his sign.  
 freedom our Strength, our Life, our Light.

GOSPEL

Luke 24:13-35

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on that same day two of them 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.

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rector

*All stand*

THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant*      Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
*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.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshipped 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

*Leader:* Wendy Steel

*Leader* In joy and hope let us pray to the Father, saying “in Christ our Lord.”

*People* That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his glorious  
and life giving resurrection; let us pray to the Father,  
**in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength  
in the good news of Easter; let us pray to the Father,

*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter;  
let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That by his power war and famine may cease through all the world;  
let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick,  
the weak, and the dying, especially to comfort and strengthen them;  
let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That, according to his promises, all who have died in the faith of the  
resurrection, may rejoice in eternal life; let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Leader* That he may send forth the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people,  
so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection;  
let us pray to the Father,  
*People* **in Christ our Lord.**

*Celebrant* O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the  
week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting  
life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make  
us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation  
of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*People* **Amen.**

*Confession and Absolution are omitted for the Great Fifty Days of Easter*

#### THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**HYMN 539**

*Come, O Thou Traveller Unknown*



out of sin into righteousness,  
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over  
to suffering and death,  
a death he freely accepted,  
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.

*All*

Therefore, Father, according to his command,  
**we remember his death,**  
**we proclaim his resurrection,**  
**we await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant*

and we offer our sacrifice  
of praise and thanksgiving  
to you, Lord of all;  
presenting to you, from your creation,  
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,  
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
that they may be the sacrament  
of the body of Christ  
and his blood of the new covenant.  
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,  
that we, made acceptable in him,  
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,  
reconcile all things in Christ  
and make them new,

and bring us to that city of light  
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
the firstborn of all creation,  
the head of the Church,  
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever.

*People*      **Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*      And now, as our Saviour 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,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant*      Lord, we died with you on the cross.  
*People*           **Now we are raised to new life.**

*Celebrant*      We were buried in your tomb.  
*People*           **Now we share in your resurrection.**

*Celebrant*      Live in us, that we may live in you.

*Celebrant*      The gifts of God for the people of God.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

#### LAMB OF GOD

*Common Praise*, no. 690

*Gluten free wafers are available. Please make your need known at the altar.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

J. V. Roberts (1841-1920)

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Be of good cheer: I have overcome the world.

*- John 14:27; 16:33*

*After communion, all stand for*

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* All your works praise you, O Lord.  
*All* **And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son  
Jesus Christ.  
May we, who share his body,  
live his risen life;  
we, who drink his cup,  
bring life to others;  
we, whom the Spirit lights,  
give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
So that we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* May the God of peace of God who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever.  
*People* **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

HYMN 330

*O Praise Ye the Lord*

VOLUNTARY *Fugue on the Name 'Alain'*

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)



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