



The Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

Morning Prayer



Loving God and neighbor, 125 years and counting...

Prelude

Opening Versicle

Book of Common Prayer, p. 80

Officiant Oh Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

All Alleluia. Christ is Risen. O come let us worship. Alleluia.

Invitatory Psalm 63:1-8

Enriching Our Worship, p. 22

The psalm is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk ().*

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *

my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *

that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *

my lips shall give you praise.

So will I bless you as long as I live *

and lift up my hands in your Name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *

and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, *

and meditate on you in the night watches.

For you have been my helper, *

and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; *

your right hand holds me fast.

Psalm 116:103, 10-17

The psalm is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk ().*

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.

The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *

"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

How shall I repay the LORD *

for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation *

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *

in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD *

is the death of his servants.

O LORD, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *

in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the LORD'S house, *

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

All Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Acts 2:14a,36-41

Lector 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.

Lector Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people

All Thanks be to God.

The Response: A Song of the Wilderness

Isaiah 35:1-7,10, Enriching Our Worship p. 32

The Canticle is prayed responsively, breaking at the asterisk.

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Hymn 296

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

Tune: Engelberg

Holy Baptism

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1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. _____
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. _____
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. _____
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows _____



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; _____
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life _____
 The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. _____
 as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. _____



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. _____
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. _____
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. _____ Al - le -
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: _____



lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Words: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932), alt.
 Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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The Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

Preacher 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.

Preacher Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

All Thanks be to God.

The Homily

The Rev. Laurie Rofinot

A moment of silent reflection follows the homily.

The Apostles’ Creed

Book of Common Prayer, p. 96

Please stand, as able and comfortable.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Please stand or kneel or sit, as able and comfortable.

Officiant Hear our cry, O God.

People And listen to our prayer.

Officiant Let us pray.

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Intercessor Holy One, Your people know You by many names, we call to You in many languages, hear our common cry:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor We praise You that we have breath left to pray and praise. We give thanks that there is reasonable portion of health in our mind and body this day. You wake us up and put us to sleep, and for this day, we give thanks. We pray especially for all who are sick. We pray for all who have no one to pray for them. We pray for those whose names are known to You alone. Heal us, O God:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor We pray for Needham, and every city and town in this Commonwealth and every place in-between. Cover us, O God.

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor We pray for our leaders: for Kate our town manager, Charlie our Governor, Donald our President, our elected and appointed leaders, for all in positions of enormous responsibility. Equip and sustain them, Holy One, for the healing of this nation. Guide us, O God:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor We pray for all on the front lines, wherever those lines are: in grocery stores, emergency rooms, on our roads and behind our screens. We pray for all who are weary and worried and weep this day. Guard Us, O God:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor We pray for ourselves and our people, each community and neighborhood and home, and those without safe place to lay their head. Cover us, with a blessing and protection beyond our comprehension. Hear Us, O God:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor Make us One with You and one another, for there is no other way. Make us one city, one Commonwealth, one people. Make us so mindful of the most vulnerable among us that there is no need that we do not bear together. Repair us, O God:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and you long for us to be one.

Intercessor Grant us courage for the living of these days. Give us patience to endure what cannot be avoided. Make us resilient and make us one. Oh God, we long for resurrection. Redeem us, O God:

All Let this plague pass over, for Your will is health and wholeness, and You long for us to be one.

Intercessor We pray in the name of the Great Physician, Jesus the Christ. Alleluia, Amen.

The Collects (Prayers)

Collect of the Day

Officiant 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 Collect for Grace

Book of Common Prayer, p. 100

Officiant Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for the Mission of the Church

Book of Common Prayer, p. 100

Officiant O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

The people offer their prayers and thanksgivings silently or aloud or using the chat feature on Facebook.

The General Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer, p. 101

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O God, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 180 (stanzas 1, 2, and 4)

He is risen, he is risen!

Tune: *Unser Herrscher*

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Easter

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 - jice: 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.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.
 Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

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Concluding Blessing

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now, and always. **Amen.**

Postlude

Prayers of the People

This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Montana (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd C. Franklin Brookhart; Wiawso (West Africa) The Rt Revd Abraham Kobina Ackah; and, Igbomina - West (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olajide Adebayo. Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our regional canon; and Nick, our priest. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Laxil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston.

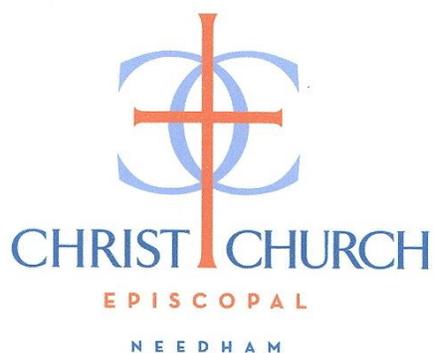
This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the parishes of the Parishes of the Concord River Deanery: Church of the Good Shepherd, Acton; St. Andrew's Church, Ayer; Trinity Church, Concord; St. Andrew's Church, Framingham; and, the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

Altar flowers today are given in memory of: Lois A. Stephens, Richard F. Roberts, Howard and Sophie Dakin, Paul Sharpe, Dorrice Nash Barr, and Marilyn D. Eaton

In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Temple Beth Shalom

We are refreshing the prayer list for Eastertide. Please email the office with your prayers (office@ccneedham.org).

Your prayers are requested for all serving our country – especially, remembering Sean, Ian, Jack, Colin, Tim and Andrew.



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