

*Welcome to
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Stillwater, Oklahoma*



The Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021

10:30 am

We're so glad you've joined us for worship! While you are waiting for the service to begin, as a courtesy to others please take a moment to silence your cell phones and other electronic devices.

Worship in the Episcopal Church is liturgical in nature; that is, we use *The Book of Common Prayer* to guide us through our worship. If you are new to a liturgical form of worship you will quickly recognize that the vast majority of our prayer and praise is drawn directly from the words of Holy Scripture itself. Many of the forms that we use are ancient, some parts dating back to the first centuries following the life and ministry of Jesus; all of them are inherited from generations of faithful Christians who have gathered to celebrate redemption in Jesus Christ.

This worship booklet contains everything you need to participate fully in this worship service. Throughout this booklet, the People's parts are indicated **in bold**. When you see this symbol **✝** it indicates a moment where we traditionally make the sign of the Cross. At all times, we want you to feel at home here so you are not expected to do anything you are not capable of or comfortable doing.

If you have any questions about anything you see going on, please don't hesitate to ask anyone sitting near you for help. You may also call the church office at (405) 372-3357 and our priest Fr. Michael Matkin would be happy to visit with you. We invite you to visit our website (www.saintandrewschurch.org) to sign up for our e-newsletter and to learn more information about our family of faith here at St. Andrew's.

Bathrooms are available in both the Parish Hall and the Admin/Ed Building. You may ask an usher or greeter for directions.

A Note about Covid-19: As a safety precaution we ask you to please wear a mask at all times and observe appropriate social distancing. Hand sanitizer is available in the pews and we encourage you to use it as necessary. In accordance with safety directives from the Diocese of Oklahoma our nursery is currently closed; however, we adore children and they are perfectly welcome to remain with you in the service.

Leading us in Worship today are:

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| Presider: | Fr. Michael Matkin |
| Preacher: | Fr. Michael Matkin |
| Organist: | Gerry Frank |
| Reader: | Edwin Sutherland |
| Acolyte: | |

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

PRELUDE: PRELUDE ON "ALL GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH"

- GEORG BÖHM

The People standing (as able).

HYMN 492



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - le - hem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

THE WORD OF GOD

BCP 355

The People stand (as able)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

Gloria S-278

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The People kneel (as able).

Celebrant: O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of the 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 People sit.

THE LESSONS

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Reader: Let us recite this portion of the psalter responsively by whole verse.

PSALM 4

1. Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
2. **"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"**
3. Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4. **Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**
5. Offer the appointed sacrifices
and put your trust in the Lord.
6. **Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!”
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.**
7. You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
8. **I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

Reader: A reading from the first letter of John

(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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All standing (as able).

SEQUENCE HYMN 180: STANZAS 1-3 BEFORE THE GOSPEL; STANZA 4 AFTERWARDS.

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 - dian't 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.

Remain standing to receive the Gospel.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 24:36b-48)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON: FR. JEFF HUSTON

*Once the Minister has entered the pulpit and invoked the Holy Trinity, the People may be **seated** for the sermon. Following the sermon, a few moments of silent reflection are observed.*

*All **standing** (as able).*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

Let us stand and affirm our faith

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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray.

The People stand or kneel (as able).

You have no equal, God. We come before you humbled, asking for your healing presence. Heal us, raise us so that we may serve you.

We are amazed at your creative genius – how you have stretched the heavens like curtains, and yet you bend to be with us.

We are amazed, God. We raise our hearts in awe.

Our world and our lives are in need of healing and direction. We ask you to guide your church and heal it where it is worn out and self-centered. Direct those who lead our church: bishops, priests, and deacons, all those in positions of leadership.

We ask for direction. Raise our hearts to you, God.

We ask you to heal the relationships between nations, and neighbors. Give the leaders of the nations the courage to pursue justice and speak peace as an example for the world.

We ask for healing. Raise our hearts to you, God.

Many of us suffer from addiction, anxiety, and illness. Break the chains which bind them and heal them, God. Surround them with supportive people, the resources they need, and a tangible sense of your love.

We ask for healing. Raise our hearts to you, God.

We pray for those who have died, that they may know the fullness of your love in the life you have prepared for them. Comfort those who grieve their loss and give them the confidence of your love which knows no limits of time or space.

We ask for assurance of your love. Raise our hearts to you, God.

The Celebrant concludes with the following collect.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Afterwards, the People stand (as able).

THE PEACE

All stand (as able).

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Afterwards they may be **seated**.*

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ love us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

VOLUNTARY: PRELUDE ON "ALLELUIA! THE STRIFE IS O'ER"

- G. WINSTON CASSLER

All stand (as able).

THE PEOPLE'S OFFERINGS OF BREAD, AND WINE, AND MONEY OR OTHER GIFTS.

Together we sing the Doxology.



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him all crea- tures here be-



low; Al- le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise Him a-



bove, ye heav'n- ly host; Praise Fa- ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Agnus Dei S-165

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy
 on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy
 on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER FOR THOSE JOINING US VIRTUALLY

To all those who are unable to gather in this place and receive the Eucharist physically, we invite you to pray the following where you are:

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All who seek Christ, regardless of denomination, are welcome at Christ's table. To receive the bread simply place your right hand on top of your left and the priest will drop the bread in your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, please come forward and cross your arms. If you would like to inquire about Holy Baptism, please speak to the priest. For the safety of all please remember to sanitize your hands before coming to receive.

COMMUNION HYMN: 306



1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest;
2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met;
3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take,
4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee,

nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
thou at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:
one Church u - ni - ted in com - mun - ion blest;
who art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest
"This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet:
one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break,
then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see;

in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
be known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant and the People stand or kneel (as able).

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessings. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

The People stand (as able).

RECESSIONAL HYMN 208

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
 *3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
 4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE: THE REJOICING (ROYAL FIREWORKS SUITE)

- GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

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