



Henrico Parish

The Third Sunday in Easter

April 14, 2024

10:30 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist

Welcome to St. John's Church. We are glad you are here. If you are new to us today and have questions about our worship, please ask our ushers or one of our members in the pews. Here is some information to assist you:

Children's Chapel meets at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Nursery care is available in the Parish Hall. Your infants and toddlers are welcome to stay in the nursery during the church service.

Other Helpful Information

Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall and behind the church.

The Book of Common Prayer is red.

The Hymnal is blue. Numbers preceded by "S" are in the front of the hymnal.

Food and Beverage We thank you for not eating or drinking in the church.

Communion All are welcome at Christ's table. To receive wine by drinking from the chalice, please go to the right at the communion rail. To receive wine through intinction, go to the left; a member of the clergy will dip your wafer in the intinction cup and hand it to you. To take just the wafer or to receive only a blessing, please go to the right. *Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.* To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. If you prefer communion be brought to you in your pew, let the usher know.

We will continue to livestream worship on YouTube for our online community. We hope that by offering an option for online worship, those who are not able to come to church will feel connected.

Our Mission

We are a caring, spiritual community, joyfully embracing and nurturing all;
serving God, each other, and the community.

Cum invocarem

- 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 in-crease.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall a-**sleep**; *
for only you, LORD, make me dwell in **safety**.

The Second Reading

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.**

Sequence Hymn "Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

Hymnal 440

The Holy Gospel *Remain standing.*

Luke 24:36b-48

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

Sermon

The Rev. Amelie Wilmer

The Nicene Creed *Please stand as you are able.*

*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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.*

*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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 translation of the Nicene Creed was approved for congregational use at the 2018 General Convention of the Episcopal Church and is published in *Text Of Expansive Language Liturgies From Resolution 2018-D078*.

The Prayers of the People *Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

In this Easter Season, we celebrate the resurrection and our union with Christ in his risen life. Knowing that we are a beloved and redeemed people, let us pray to God who raised his son from the dead, saying "hear our prayer."

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved. Help us to reach out to those around us, bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For the courage and the grace to be a Beloved Community, welcoming everyone.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For all houses and places of worship, especially for Holy Comforter, Richmond; Holy Cross, Dunn Loring; Episcopal High School, Alexandria; and St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School, Alexandria.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Mark, Gayle, and Bud, our bishops, for the clergy of St. John's, and for all who proclaim the Good News of the Risen Christ.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For the elected leaders and unelected policy makers of our nation, and for an informed and active citizenry.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For justice and peace on this earth, especially in Ukraine, Palestine, and Israel, Haiti, South Sudan, and other places of unrest.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For your creation, which you have called good, that our hearts may be enriched to care for it.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For all who are sick, addicted, struggling, burdened, or suffering, especially Claire, Johnny, Rosa, Lana, Marti, Judith, Brett, Charlie, Mike, Chase, Brenda, Pauline, Kate, George, Mark, John, Stokes, Shelby, Claudia, Faye, Doug, Paul, Will, and Marilyn.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For the dying and the dead, especially for Cindy Liebert Crowder and Chris Bowles, who died this past week.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

For our own needs and thanksgiving, which we offer either silently or aloud.

God of redemption and renewal, *hear our prayer.*

Silence is kept.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements

The Offertory Anthem *Ride on, King Jesus*

Arr. Sydnor

The Presentation of the Offering “Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!” *verse 3*

Hymnal 205

3. Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that

3. life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:

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

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The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The Sanctus

Hymnal S 125

The Celebrant continues as participants kneel or remain standing.

The Great Amen

WL&P 863

A - men. A - men. A - men.
A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem *All sing.*

WL& P 875

Cantor or Choir
Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the
break - ing of the bread. *1. Congregation* | *2. Cantor or Choir*
Be bread. The
bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -
mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. *Congregation*
Be
known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the
Cantor or Choir
bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though
Congregation
man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord
Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Please sit or kneel. All are welcome at Christ's table. *To receive wine by drinking from the chalice, please go to the right at the communion rail. To receive wine through intinction, go to the left; a member of the clergy will dip your wafer in the intinction cup and hand it to you. To take just the wafer or to receive only a blessing, please go to the right. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. If you prefer communion be brought to you in your pew, let the usher know.*

Communion Hymns "Christ the Lord is risen again!"

Hymnal 184

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

The Blessing

Recessional "We are marching"

WL&P 787

We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are
march - ing in the light of God. *1.* | *2.* God.
march - ing in the light of, the

We are march - ing,

* Alternate Text: Dancing, Singing, Praying

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Tune: South African
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The Dismissal

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

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

Postlude

The flowers at the altar are given by Laura Streat in memory of Cindy Liebert Crowder.

Welcome to St. John's Church

If you are seeking a place to explore your faith, we invite you to make St. John's Church your spiritual home. Please complete a visitor card, found in your pew, and place it in the offering plate to receive our weekly email. We hope that you will join us immediately following the service for coffee hour in the Parish Hall.

Prayer for St. John's Church

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved. Help us to reach out to those around us, bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship. Amen.

Land Acknowledgment

Please join us in acknowledging and honoring the Indigenous peoples who are the original inhabitants of the land on which St. John's Church now stands: the Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Mattaponi, Monacan, Nansemond, Nottoway, Pamunkey, Patowomeck, Powhatan, Upper Mattaponi, and Rappahannock tribes. We offer our respect to their tribal members past and present.

Serving this Morning

Celebrant	The Rev. Amelie Wilmer
Preacher	The Rev. Amelie Wilmer
Assisting Priests	The Rev. Robin Teasley and The Rev. Shelby Owen
Deacon	The Rev. JD Dickinson
Minister of Music	Curt Sydnor
LEM	Cabell Jones
Acolyte	Ryan Smith
Lectors	Cabell Jones, Ryan Smith, and Lisa Wood
Ushers	Cheryl DePodesta and Neill Goff
Greeter	John King
Tellers	Cal Buchanan and Bert Hillier
Children's Chaplain	The Rev. Anne Lane Witt
Videographer	Mac Woolley
Altar Guild	Martha Broughton and Lisa Wood
Nursery Attendant	Ashely Davis

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