



Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

April 18, 2021 | Online Service
Third Sunday after Easter

Greeting and Announcements

Hymn 210: *Ellacombe*, “The day of Resurrection”

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;
and, listening to his accents, may hear so calm and plain
his own “All hail!” and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen their notes together blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer, page 78

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

Officiant and People

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

Venite S4

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are all the corners of the earth,
and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his and he made it,
and his hands prepared the dry land.
O come, let us worship and fall down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God,
and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth,
and with righteousness to judge the world
and the peoples with his truth.

Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem*

BCP 587

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.

“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?”

Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices
and put your trust in the LORD.

Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!”
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.

You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: 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.

Canticle S205: Te Deum laudamus

Plainsong, Tone 8

We praise thee, O God, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
To thee all angels cry aloud,
the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;
the Father of an infinite majesty;
thine adorable, true, and only Son;
also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
Thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy saints,
In glory everlasting.

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.

Second Lesson: Luke 24:36b-48

While the disciples were telling how they had seen Jesus risen from the dead, Jesus himself stood among them 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sermon: The Reverend Hilary Streever

Apostles’ Creed

BCP 96

Officiant and People together, all standing as able.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
He was conceived by power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and 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

Officiant The Lord be with you.

BCP 97

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People together

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.

Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day

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.*

Other Collects

Prayers for the Parish

Prayer for Mission

BCP 101

Officiant

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace; So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those that do not know you to the knowledge and love of you, for the honor of your name. *Amen.*

Anthem: By the mark

Gillian Welch

When I cross over,
I will shout and sing.
I will know my Savior
by the mark where the nails have been.

Refrain By the mark where the nails have been,
by the sign upon his precious skin,
I will know my Savior when I come to him,
by the mark where the nails have been.

A man of riches
may claim a crown of jewels
But the King of heaven
can be told from the prince of fools. *Refrain*

On Calvary's Mountain,
where they made him suffer so,
all my sin was paid for
a long, long time ago. *Refrain*

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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 Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, 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.*

Hymn 296: *Engelberg*, "We know that Christ is raised and dies no more"

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold;
and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!

We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn we share with him an Easter life
as living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!

The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God.
Baptized we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!

A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe restored and whole will sing: Alleluia! Amen.

Versicle and Response

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Closing Sentences

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of
Mr. Henry Lee Valentine, Katherine Braxton Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins,
Mr. C. Braxton Valentine, Ida Massie Valentine, C. Braxton Valentine, Jr.,
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Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Hilary Streever
Officiant: Lay Chaplain Blake Singer
Assisting: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend
Lectors: Carrie Pace and Grey Ligon
Musicians: Guitar Ensemble, West Gallery Choir, Parish Choir
Soloists: Kristin Cox, George Bishop
Organist: Virginia Ewing Whitmire
Director of Music: Dr. Mark A. Whitmire

Prayers of the People

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

For the sick and in need: especially Aubrie Aber, the family of Eleanor Angle, Keren and Bless Arthur, Elizabeth Austin, Susan Bain, Jennifer Ball, Derby Brackett, the Brunner and Martin family, Janet W. Cosby, Pitter Caswell, Tim Dilsaver, Will Fackler, Mary Harrison, Emma Mason, Eve McCray, Bunky Miller, Harry Moore, Geoff Sisk, Anne Sweets, Ginger Trice, Andrew Troi, Kay Underwood, Barbara Willis, Amelie Wilmer, Henry Wright, and Paul

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For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially William Smith

For those who work for the safety, education, and flourishing of all children: especially our outreach partners Peter Paul Development Center, SCAN, and St. James's Children Center

For all celebrating their birthdays this week: especially Susan Bain, Peter Montague, and Ben Rosengren who celebrate their birthdays today

For those who have died recently: especially Shirley F. Baker, Luke Bowles, Robert Butcher, Jr., Leah Davis, Roy Tripp Evans III, Marie Harris, Lou Kendrick, Marvin Presson, Jr., and Bodie Williamson

Music Notes



“O sing unto God with the voice of melody.” -Psalm 47:1

By the Mark was written by the American artist Gillian Welch in collaboration with Dave Rawlings, Gillian Howard and David Todd, and can be found on the album *Revival*. Gillian Welch's musical style combines elements of bluegrass, neo-traditional country, and Americana. *By the Mark* is a musical setting of Thomas' words to the disciples in last week's Gospel when they told Thomas they had seen the Lord. In today's Gospel, the disciples are terrified and think they are seeing a ghost. Again, Jesus shows his hands and feet as proof that he is no ghost, but flesh and blood.

In case you missed previous **Music at St. James's**, here are links:

Anthems

[Create for me a clean heart \(John Michael Talbot\)](#)

[I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord \(William Byrd\)](#)

[I heard the voice of Jesus say \(folksong\)](#)

[Hark! 'Tis the Savior of Mankind \(William Billings\)](#)

[O thou, in whose presence \(arr. Parler/Shaw\)](#)

[Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts \(Purcell\)](#)

[Expectans, expectavi \(Charles Wood\)](#)

Chants

[The Great Litany](#)

[Kyrie Pantokratur](#)

Hymns

[Hymn 142](#) Lord, who throughout these forty days

[Hymn 149](#) Eternal Lord of Love

[Hymn 150](#) Forty days and forty nights

[Hymn 388](#) O worship the King

[Hymn 414](#) God my King, thy might confession

[Hymn 439](#) What wondrous love is this, O my soul

[Hymn 441](#) In the cross of Christ I glory

[Hymn 472](#) Hope of the world

[Hymn 473](#) Lift high the cross

[Hymn 444](#) Blest be the God of Israel

[Hymn 675](#) Take up your cross, the savior said

[Hymn 707](#) Take my life and let it be

Virtual Choir Links

[Sicut cervus \(Palestrina\)](#)

[Lord, for thy tender mercies sake \(Farrant\)](#)

[If ye love me \(Tallis\)](#)

[Ubi caritas \(Gjelo\)](#)

[In the bleak midwinter \(Holst\)](#)

[We shall walk through the valley in peace \(Undine Smith Moore\), with Norfolk State Choir](#)