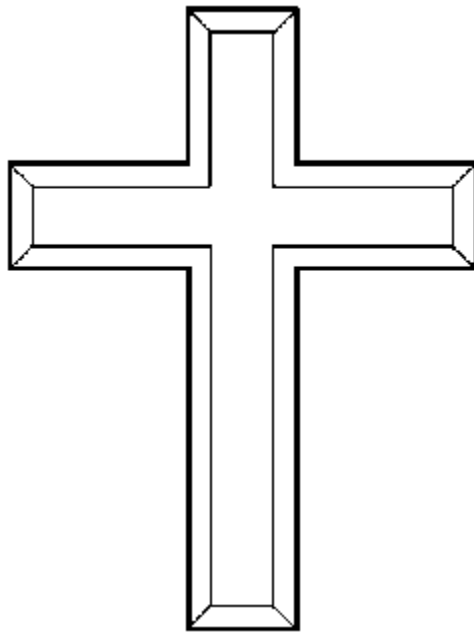


Church of the Holy Cross

Alleluia, the Lord is risen indeed!



The Third Sunday of Easter

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# Gathering of the People

**Prelude** *The Strife Is O'er, The Battle Done* Arr. Berry

**Opening Hymn** H 212 (v1-3) *Awake, arise, lift up your voice*

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let  
 2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the  
 3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - jice in Christ, a -  
 2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their  
 3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to

1 gain re - jice and on his prais - es dwell.  
 2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,  
 3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.

Words: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), alt. Music: *Richmond*, melody Thomas Haweis (1734-1816); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816).

## Opening Acclamation (A New Zealand Prayer Book)

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People** **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks for the coming of God's reign of justice and love.

**People** **Jesus Christ is good news for the poor, release for the captives, recovery of sight to the blind and liberty for those who are oppressed.**

## Hymn of Praise St. James Press

5 *mf* 1st time - 2nd time *f*  
 GROUP 1 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is\_\_ ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 GROUP 2 *mf*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is\_\_ ris - en!

10  
 GROUP 1 Christ is\_\_ ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 GROUP 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is\_\_ ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!

15 **rit. 2nd time**

GROUP 1 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord is ris - en! Al - le - lu -

GROUP 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord is ris - en! Al - le - lu -

20 **Fine** *mp*

GROUP 1 ia! The Lord is ris'n in -

GROUP 2 ia!

25 *mf*

GROUP 1 deed! Al - le - lu - ia! The Lord is ris'n in - deed! Al - le -

GROUP 2 *mp* The Lord is ris'n in - deed! Al - le - lu - ia! *mf* The

30

GROUP 1 - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GROUP 2 Lord is ris'n in - deed! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

35

GROUP 1 The Lord is ris'n in - deed! Al - le - lu - ia!

GROUP 2 Al - le - lu - ia! The Lord is ris'n in - deed! Al - le - lu - ia!

5 *mf 1st time - 2nd time f*

GROUP 1 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is\_\_ ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!


GROUP 2 *mf* Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is\_\_ ris - en!


10


GROUP 1 Christ is\_\_ ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!

GROUP 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is\_\_ ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!

15 rit. 2nd time

GROUP 1 

GROUP 2 

ALL 

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord is ris - en! Al - le - lu -

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* God be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*

## A Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Acts 3:12-19

A Reading from Acts.

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* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 4

*Recited responsively by whole verse. The reader leads off, and congregation responds with the bold verses.*

- 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.**

## A Reading from the Letters

1 John 3:1-7

A reading from first John.

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* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
**People** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Sequence Hymn MHSO 91 (repeat after gospel) 'Sanna

'San-na,\* san - na - ni - na, san - na, san - na, san - na, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ san - na, san - na, san - na, san - na - ni - na,

san - na, san - na san - na. \_\_\_\_\_ San

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## Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

*Deacon* 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.

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

## Sermon

The Rev Stacy Salles

## Nicene Creed

**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.**

## Prayers of the People (Form III)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations  
of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions aloud in the room, or in the chat on Zoom.*

*Celebrant* God of new life, we give praise for the Resurrection of your Son, Jesus, and  
for the moments of surprising grace we have experienced which take part in  
your divine story. Give us mindful hearts to perceive the blessings of your  
love at all times and in all places. **Amen.**

## The Peace

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


*The Peace is exchanged with one another.*

## The Liturgy of the Table

### Offertory Sentence

**Offertory Hymn** H 182 *Chris is alive*

*The hymn is sung while the Deacon sets the table.*



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands  
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -  
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,  
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
 2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the  
 3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the  
 4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet  
 5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.  
 2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.  
 3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.  
 4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.  
 5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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### Communion Prayer (from laughingbird.net and Enriching Our Worship 3)

*Celebrant* God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for your love is forever and you have raised the crucified Christ from the dead.

You created all things and placed Christ as the cornerstone. You made your grace known to Israel in the wilderness, and through your prophets you pledged your everlasting love and constant faithfulness.

You anointed your child, Jesus, with the Holy Spirit and power, and he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by evil. He was put to death, hung on a tree, but you raised him on the third day, and allowed him to appear, first to Mary Magdalene and then to your other chosen witnesses.

So now we praise you within the gates of justice and raise our glad songs of victory for you have become our savior and hidden our lives in Christ's glory.

### Sanctus LEVAS 255 *Holy, holy, holy*

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord God of hosts.  
 Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - - - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the





*The Celebrant continues*

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Dying you destroyed our death.**

**Rising you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus come in glory.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you, now and forever. **AMEN.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant* As Jesus has taught us, we now pray,  
*All* **Our Father in heaven,  
 hallowed be your Name,  
 your kingdom come,  
 your will be done,  
 on earth as in heaven.  
 Give us today our daily bread.  
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those  
 who sin against us.  
 Save us from the time of trial,  
 and deliver us from evil.  
 For the kingdom, the power,  
 and the glory are yours,  
 now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Gifts for Holy People.



fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, Oh—  
 Lord, have mercy on me (on me).

## Announcements & Celebration of Life Events

### Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

*The Celebrant and People together say*

**God of abundance,  
 you have fed us with the bread of life  
 and cup of salvation;  
 you have united us  
 with Christ and one another;  
 and you have made us one  
 with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
 Now send us forth  
 in the power of your Spirit,  
 that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
 and continue for ever  
 in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### The Easter Blessing

May the God who shakes heaven and earth,  
 Whom death could not contain, who lives to disturb and heal us,  
 Strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world.  
 May the wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God,  
 Bless you and those you love and pray for this day and always. **Amen.**

### Sending Hymn            H 210            *The Day of Resurrection*

1 The day of re-sur-rec-tion! Earth, tell it out a-broad;  
 2 Our hearts be pure from e-vil, that we may see a-right  
 3 Now let the heavens be joy-ful, let earth her song be-gin,  
 the Pass-o-ver of glad-ness, the Pass-o-ver of God.  
 the Lord in rays e-ter-nal of re-sur-rec-tion light;  
 the round world keep high tri-umph, and all that is there-in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,  
and, lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain  
let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,  
our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

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## Going into the World

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the power of the Resurrection. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! ALLELUIA!**

## Postlude *Instrumental*

*This brings the worship to a close.*

*All are invited for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall following the service.*

### Ministers of Today's Service

Reader 1: Larry Jansen  
Reader 2: Volunteer Needed  
Prayer: Ann Maher  
Greeter/Usher: Bruce Hinkle  
Zoom Host: Mercedes Williams  
Counters: Laura Stutso & Jean Evans

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