

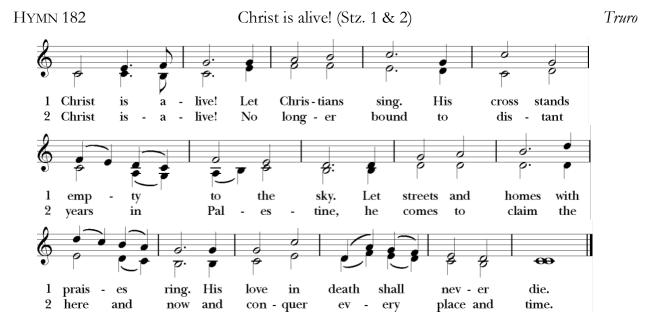
# HOLY TRINITY PARISH

DECATUR, GEORGIA



# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 18, 2021 - 10:30 A.M.



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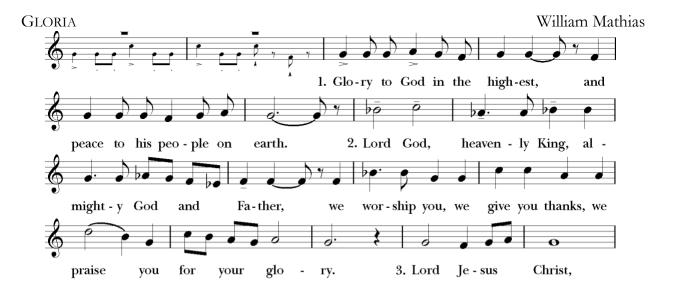
THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, PAGE 355

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.** 





THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**BCP 224** 

The Lord be with you.

## And also with you.

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.** 

#### 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.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 4 Anglican Chant sung by the Cantor

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.

#### LUKE 24.36B-48

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

#### 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### SERMON

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All stand, as able, and say.

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

The Leader and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Rob, our Bishop; Greg, our priest; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

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We pray for Ruth Slaven as she prepares to receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Pour out your grace upon her, O God, as she dies to self and is raised to new and unending Life in Christ.

We pray for the leaders of our city, state, and nation. This week we pray especially for Patti, our mayor, and Michael, our county executive officer.

We pray for those who serve the common good. Watch over and guide the hands of police officers, educators, civil servants, volunteers, medical workers, and activists.

We pray for those in the justice system, those in prison, those awaiting execution, and all whose lives are marred by violence, crime, and death.

Please name before God the prayers of your hearts.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

## For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

# And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially \_\_\_\_\_\_, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

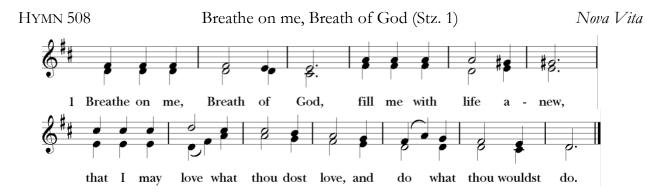
Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

### Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant prays the concluding prayer.

Come Holy Spirit. Lead us in the apostles teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers. Grant us safe return in body that we may grow to be of one heart and mind in love and service to our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 



THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### OFFERTORY MUSIC

Christ has arisen

Christ has arisen, Alleluia.

Rejoice and praise Him, Alleluia.

For our Redeemer burst from the tomb,

Even from death dispelling its gloom.

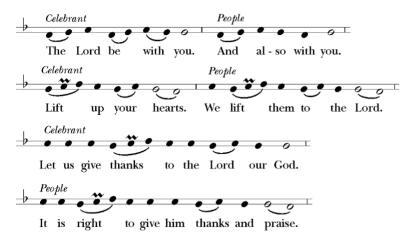
Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy.

Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy,

Our sin forgiving, Alleluia.

Jesus is living, Alleluia.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

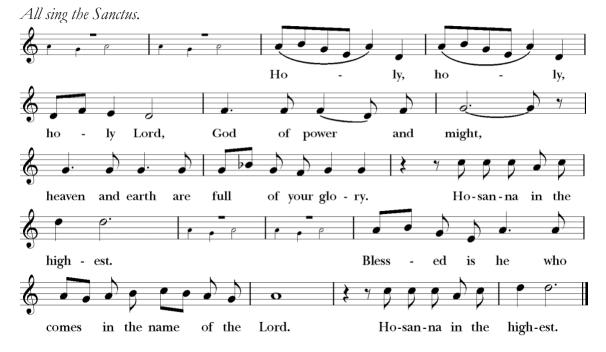


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





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,

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

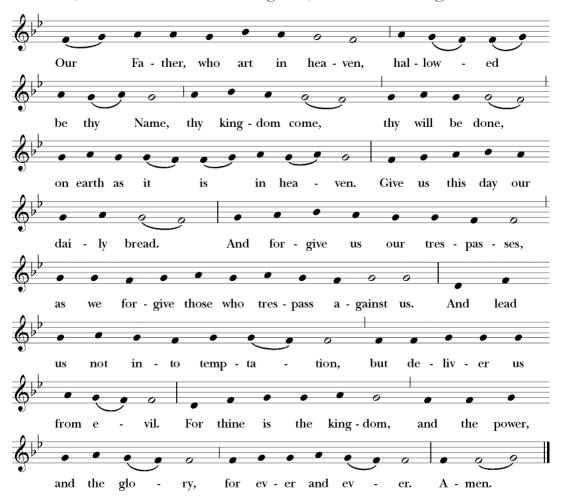
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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 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

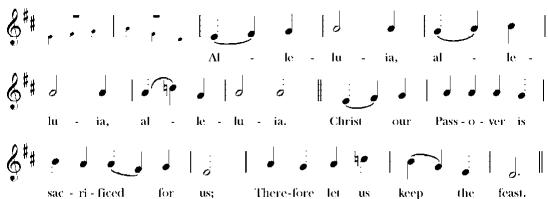


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,



FRACTION ANTHEM Gerald Near

A period of silence is kept, then all sing the Fraction Anthem.



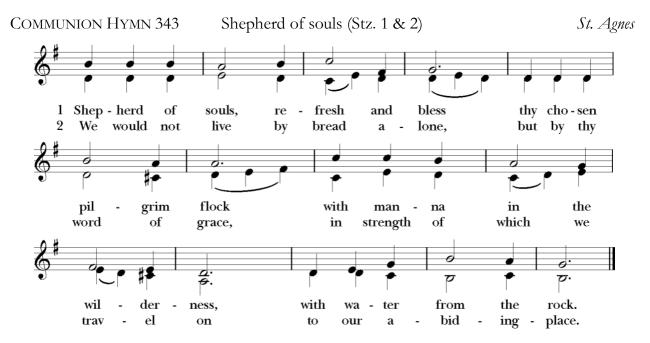
#### THE INVITATION

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

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

If you need gluten-free bread, let the priest know when you come to the altar. If you need the sacrament brought to you, please let an usher know, and we will be honored to so.

All baptized Christians of any age and tradition are invited to receive Holy Communion, and no one who comes to the altar with outstretched hands will be turned away. To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, come to the altar rail or floor station and cross your arms over your chest.

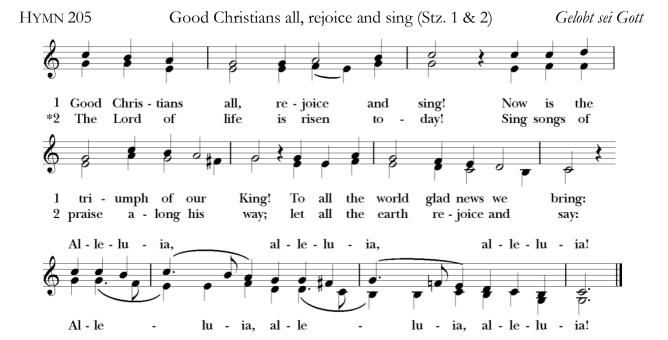


#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE EASTER BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; 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 DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The flowers at the altar in the nave today were given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Blanche "Sissy" Foley, Joe Foley's mother, on the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday by Joe Foley & Dawn Diedrich.