



Third Sunday of Easter
St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois
April 29-30, 2017



THE PRELUDE: "Mit Freuden Zart"

setting by Michael D. Costello

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 483 "With High Delight Let Us Unite"

(10:30 a.m.) Holy Baptism, pages 268ff.

Divine Service One, page 151ff. (please stand if you are able)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 151

We Share God's Peace With and Greet One Another

INTROIT: Psalm 133



Behold, how good and pleas- | ant it is

when brothers dwell in | unity!

It is like the precious oil / on the head,

running down / on the beard,

on the beard of | Aaron,

running down on the collar | of his robes!

It is like the dew of / Hermon

which falls on the mountains of | Zion!

For there the LORD has com- / manded

the blessing, life for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Behold, how good and pleas- | ant it is

when brothers dwell in | unity!

KYRIE: pages 152-153

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This Is the Feast" page 155

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

L: The Lord be with you. **C: (sung) And also with you.**

L: Let us pray.

C: O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)

THE FIRST READING:

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them...Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself." And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL:

L: Christ has risen from the dead. **C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,**

L: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands; **C: He has put all things under His feet.**

THE EPISTLE READING:

1 Peter 1:17-25

And if you call on Him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(please stand if able) ALLELUIA and VERSE: page 156 *(sung)*

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 24:13-35

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C: (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him. And He said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered Him, "Are You the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

And He said to them, "What things?" And they said to Him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. But we had hoped that He was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find His body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that He was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but Him they did not see."

And He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther, but they urged Him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So He went in to stay with them. When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight.

They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: *(sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.** *(please be seated)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 476 "Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow"

SERMON: Luke 24:13-35

Pastor: Most gracious Father: may the words of my mouth,

People: and the meditation of our hearts,

All: be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. Amen. (Psalm 19:14)

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed: page 158 *(please stand if you are able)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition ends "Lord, in Your mercy" and we respond, "hear our prayer.")

HEALING AND COMFORT: Nina Guebert, C. John Prigge, Fred Buch, Joan Prigge, Omar Koester, Darlene Lohman, Larry Ehlers, Carol Turner (thanksgiving for a positive medical report), Peggy Sitzes, Jackie Quintin, Kayce Matzenbacher, Austin Whelan, Molly Ellner, Addalyn Schloemann; *Family and*

Friends of St. John's Members: Brenda Manning, Stephanie Jones, Debbie Kezely, Terry Heller, Steve Herriman, Lori Voges, Elaine Goetting, Harlan Burmester, Brian Ulione, Larry Berg, Joyce Wirth, Marianne Hunt, Jamie Brandt, Jennifer Dominique, Corey Koester, Tom Blevins, Edgar Wilson, Bobby Wood, Melvin Juelfs, Eric Frazier, Mary McConachie, Chuck Feltmeyer, David "Pete" Rahn. *Help us keep this list current!*
MILITARY: (Please call with the names to include in prayer.) Army- Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Tim Healy, Christopher Dupertius, Thomas Goetting, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Casey Vallet, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Andy Pfeiffer, Austin Scheibe; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Christina Cavan, Tanner Hackstadt, Ched Wagner, Ted Knop; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Courtney Kueker, Garrett Carnahan, Brent Knop
+our 8th grade day school class and their parents on their class trip to Washington DC this week
+favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields
+birth of a daughter to Craig and Kortney (Miller) Moll on April 19

(please be seated) **OFFERING:** "Jefferson" *setting by Bernard Wayne Sanders*

(please stand if able) **OFFERTORY:** pages 159-160

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT: page 160ff.

PREFACE: page 160

SANCTUS AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING: page 161

LORD'S PRAYER AND THE WORDS OF OUR LORD: page 162

THE PAX DOMINI:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI: page 163

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

463 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia"

636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord" page 164

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT: page 166

BENEDICTION: page 166

CLOSING HYMN: 643 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

THE POSTLUDE: "The Ash Grove"

setting by Kevin Hildebrand

Acknowledgments: Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book. Unless otherwise indicated, all scripture quotations are from *The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2006 Concordia Publishing House.