



PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

221 Union Street • Cary, North Carolina 27511

THE THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER

The Rev. Javier Almendárez-Bautista, Celebrant
The Rev. Alice Graham Grant, Homilist

HOLY EUCHARIST
9:00 A.M. SERVICE
APRIL 23, 2023

Prelude
Processional

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Carol Yeargin, Guest Organist
Hymn 174

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

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 following is sung.

Gloria

Glory to God

Hymnal S 278

(Organ)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, — and
peace to his peo - ple on earth.. — 2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise — you for your glo -
ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, — Lord God,
Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
(Organ)

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus
 Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord 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.*

Children's Processional

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Hymn 405

Verse 1

Children's Chapel is for children ages 3 to 5th grade.

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A Reading from Acts.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
 People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalms of the Day

116:1-3, 10-17

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
 because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
 I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *
 "O Lord, I pray you, save my life."
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord *
 for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
 and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
 in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *
 is the death of his servants.
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; *
 I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
 and call upon the Name of the Lord.

- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,
17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-23

A Reading from First Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual

O Praise Ye the Lord!
Verses 1, 2, and 4

Hymn 432

Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over 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 took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed 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 they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

Homily

The Rev. Alice Graham Grant

Nicene Creed

All who are able, stand.

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.

Prayers of the People

People's Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Peace

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

BCP 360

Announcements

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee
St. Paul's Choir

Simon Lole

Offertory Response *All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.*

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord 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 God thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant proceeds.

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 sins 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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S 128

(organ)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, _____ heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

(organ)

Ho-san-na in the high - est. _____ Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho-san-na in the high - est. _____

The Celebrant continues

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,

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant then continues

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 to 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 forever. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant then continues

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

Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

People and Celebrant

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.

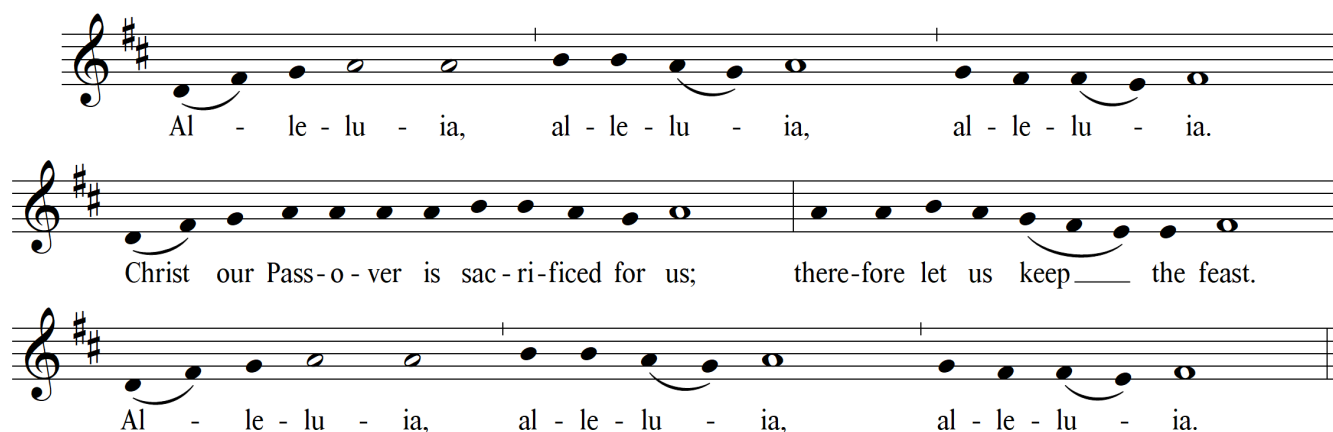
Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Hymnal S 154



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass-o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

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

All are welcome to come forward for communion. Please follow the ushers' guidance as you come to the rail.

If you would like to receive the wine by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup), keep the bread in your hands and wait for the communion server to come to you.

If you would like to receive from the common cup (drinking from the cup directly), please consume the bread first and then make your way to the steps at the end of the rail. A communion server will be there with the common cup.

If it is not your custom to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest and the minister will offer a prayer. A priest is also available to provide prayers for healing in the back southwest corner of the church. Simply head to the back during communion distribution and wait for your turn.

Communion Music

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless
Father, We Thank Thee Thou Hast Planted

Hymn 343
Hymn 302

If you are at home or otherwise unable to take communion, you may say the following prayer.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Final Prayer

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional

Alleluia! The Strife is O'er the Battle Won

Hymn 208

Dismissal

Deacon

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

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Carol Yeargin, Guest Organist

*The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of
Lauren Hester; Nicholas Virgilio; Geraldine and Michael Virgilio; and Dorothy and Robert H. Frey
by Rev. Louane and Robert Frey.*

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New to St. Paul's? Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew. Stop by our Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat with Greeters and find materials that might help if you are new to the Episcopal Church. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org to learn more.

Coffee Hour (Parish Hall): Join us after the 9:00 service for coffee and conversation.

Adult Formation (Chapel, 10:15-11:00 a.m.): Our Easter Season Forums are on the Acts of the Apostles. Today, the Rev. Javier Almendárez-Bautista presents on "Pentecost (Acts: 1-4)."

Children's Sunday School: Classes are meeting in the Education Building from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Youth Sunday School: Classes are meeting in the Youth Wing from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): Meets this evening from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Youth Wing.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newcomer Tour: Those new or newly returned to St. Paul's who wish to know more can join a tour of our campus the third Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. Meet at the Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby) and we'll end at Coffee Hour.

Newcomer Luncheon: The St. Paul's Newcomer Ministry announces the return of the Newcomer Luncheon on Sunday, April 30 at 12:30 pm in the Youth Wing. Prior to 2020, these events were held twice a year, providing an informal gathering for newcomers seeking to connect with others new to our community. If you were a newcomer during the past three years and have not had an opportunity to take part in a Newcomer Luncheon, you are invited to join us on April 30. Please contact Mary Kintz at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org for more information and to RSVP (by April 25, please).

Memorial Garden Columbarium Expansion: St. Paul's Memorial Garden is raising funds for an expansion of 90 additional niches to accommodate future needs. Please visit the information table after services today to learn how you can donate funds in memory of a loved one. You can also contact Jackie Straub at jmpstraub@aol.com.

Resilience Ministry and the Pinwheel Garden: The Resilience Ministry is sponsoring a Pinwheel Garden in the front circle to mark National Child Abuse Prevention Month in April. Shining in the sun, the pinwheel is reflective of the bright future all children deserve. Sparkling blue and silver pinwheels were "planted" by our preschool children on April 20 and by the children attending Children's Chapel and Child Formation classes this morning. Children will be able to take home the pinwheels on April 30 after services.

Movie Night: Movie lovers are invited to join us monthly at Fortnight Brewing Company in Cary for a discussion of recent and not-so-recent films, hosted by Fr. Javier and Tad Richard. This month's movie is *CODA* (Child of Deaf Adults), winner of the Oscar for Best Picture in 2022. Watch the movie at home and join us for discussion on Monday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m. See the St. Paul's website for more information.

Endowment Funds Available: The St. Paul's Endowment, created in 2009, is used to fund projects that fulfill our mission outside of the operating budget. In 2023, the vestry expects to distribute funds from the endowment in the following amounts: General Fund: \$11,559; Outreach Fund: \$1,037; Grounds Beautification: \$1,067; and Kids' Club: \$424. If you have an idea for how we might use these funds for a one time project or as seed money for something new, please submit your grant requests using the form found on the website by May 5. You can also email Kay Burgess at kay.burgess9396@gmail.com if you would like to know more about how the endowment funds can be used.

Chore Day Fundraiser for Appalachia Service Project (ASP): Support the Youth ASP mission trip with our Chore Day Fundraiser, Saturday, May 6 from 8:00 a.m. til noon. For those unfamiliar with this project, parishioners and neighbors hire a crew of youth and adults to do yard work and other suitable projects around their homes in exchange for a donation to St. Paul's ASP Ministry. Please contact Stephanie Hirschy at shirschy@yahoo.com if you would like to hire a crew, or if you can work that day (we need LOTS of helpers, even if you're not going on the trip).

Prayer List: Adelaide, Dave, Walt, Bob, Peggy, Hunter, Barb, Lytvinenko family, Christa, Ann, Vickie, Ann, Melanie, Patricia, Wendy, M-K, Andy, Theresa, Clarence and Susan, Jodi, Lynn, Clint, Elizabeth, Laura, Margaret, Ava, Millie, Ruby, Mary Jo, Catherine, Randy, Bebian, Ronald, Sally, Bob, Thomas, Ann, Janet, Coby, Gayle, Sandra, Gretchen, Joe, Melissa, Kimberly, Ricardo, Mary, Terry, Myrna, Christy, Peggy, Billy, Bob, Edna, Nancy, and Virginia.

In the prayer for the deceased, we pray for Eleanor Ide, wife of Bob Ide.

If you have a name you would like to include on the prayer list, or a ministry event that you would like to announce in this printed bulletin, please send information to announcements@stpaulscary.org. Please note that there is a 2 week lead time on printed announcements.