



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020 AT 10:30 A.M.

The Church of the Redeemer: 162 Bloor St. West, Toronto, ON M5S 1M4 office@theredeemer.ca • Tel: (416) 922 4948 • www.theredeemer.ca We invite you to join us and one another in worship. Since we cannot physically gather together in the space we all love so much, we gather together in different spaces, different homes, perhaps even different provinces: But we gather together still connected, and still in hope. Throughout this service you may follow along and pray and sing aloud, in the same ways you usually would. We hope this time together uplifts you and reminds us all that we can and will always come together in prayer.

Welcome Steven Mackison

▼ The Easter Greeting

Officiant: Susan Haig

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

The Gloria - Taizé

Led by Will Reid

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Alleluia!

Glory to God in the highest. Alleluia!

The Collect of the Day

Priest: O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread.

Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work,

who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading Scott Werry

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Therefore 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.

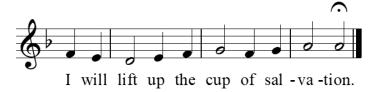
Reader: The word of the Lord. Acts 2.14a, 36-41

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17 - George Black

Refrain:



I love you, O God, because you have heard the voice of my supplication, because you have inclined your ear to me whenever I called upon you. The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon your name, O God:

"My defender, I pray you, save my life." Refrain

How shall I repay you, O God for all the good things you have done for me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name, O God. Refrain

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God, in the presence of all your people. Precious in your sight, O God, is the death of your servants. **Refrain**

O God, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon your name, O God. Refrain

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God, in the presence of all your people. In the courts of God's house, in the midst of Jerusalem. Hallelujah! Refrain

Second Reading

Kate Werneburg

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of 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. 1 Peter 1.17-23

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed



the stran-ger shall wel-come the Lord.

The Gospel

Roshni Jayawardena

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on that same day two of them 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.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 24.13-35

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

We pause for music and meditation by Mike and Jill Daley

Song: No Hidden Path – *Neil Young*

Mike & Jill Daley

Sometimes when I go walkin'

Among the tall trees

I feel the light comin' down on me

Under moon, under sun

I feel the chosen one

Through the mist, come walkin' here with me

And the leaves on the ground

Make a rustling sound

In the wind now blowing in my face

It's that cool wind again

And I feel my missing friend

Whose counsel I can never replace

Show me the way and I'll follow you today

Show me the way and I'll follow you today

Show me the way

No more darkness. No more wasted time

Show me the way

Let me stay here with this heart of mine

And with you I feel no hidden path

No hidden path

The Prayers of the People

John Shepherd

Leader: As we gather to encounter God through Jesus, let us pray.

Walk with us, Lord, on our journey of faith; open up to us the truths you long for us to understand, and inspire all who teach and encourage, that we may pass on

the good news of the Easter Gospel. Lord God:

All: Abide with us.

Leader: As we gather to feel God's presence and make it known, we pray for the world. Walk with us, Lord, down the streets of our cities, towns and villages. Meet all those who lonely and uncertain and bring them you message of hope. Lord God:

All: Abide with us.

Leader: As we gather to experience healing in our midst, we pray for the sick and suffering. Walk with us, Lord, through the times of pain and suffering, alerting us to one another's needs and providing whatever is best for us. Lord God:

All: Abide with us.

Leader: As we gather to understand your promise of life everlasting, we pray for the dead. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord. And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in Christ's glory. Walk with us, Lord, through the valley of death; may our love and prayers support those who walk that journey today. Lord God:

All: Abide with us.

Leader: Lord, we thank you for walking with us on our life's journey. We know that you are indeed real and alive in us, with each step we take! Merciful One, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end.

All: Amen.

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

your kingdom come, your will be done,

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.

Hymn: #312 (Common Praise) "Sing a New Song unto the Lord" Pre-recorded (Mike Daley)

Refrain:



Sing a new song un-to the Lord; let your songs be sung from moun-tains



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high. Sing a new song un-to the Lord, sing-ing Al-le - lu - ia!

Verses:



- 1. Yah-weh's peo-ple dance for joy. O come be-fore the Lord and
- 2. Rise, O chil-dren, from your sleep; your Sav-iour now has come.
- 3. Glad my soul, for I have seen the glo-ry of the Lord. The



play for him on glad tam-bou-rines, and let your trum-pet sound. He has turned your sor-row to joy, and filled your soul with song. trum-pet sounds; the dead shall be raised. I know my Sav-iour lives.

The Dismissal

Roshni Jayawardena

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Announcements

Steven Mackison

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