



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

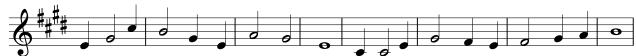
SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M.
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Welcome Susan Haig

Opening Hymn: #449 (Gather) "This Is the Day"

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Refrain

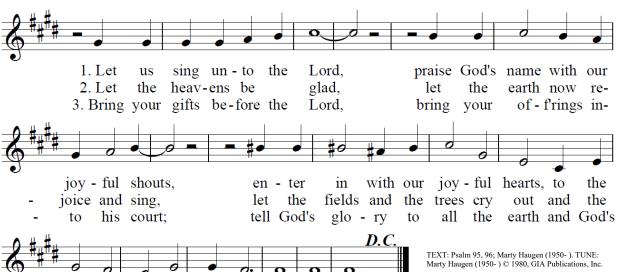


This is the day that the Lord has made, Let us re-joice and be glad, and be glad.



This is the day that the Lord has made, al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia.

Verses



God of our sal - va - tion.

o-ceans thun-der praise.

won-ders for all time.

★ The Easter Greeting

Susan Haig

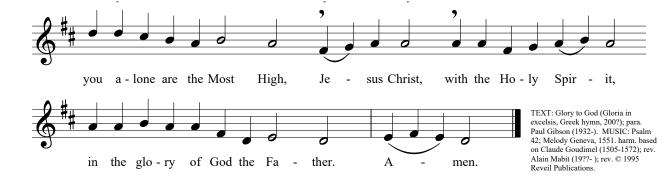
Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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 Collect of the Day

Susan Haig

Priest: Wounded God,

human and divine;

give us faith to perceive you pierced and embodied,

standing here among us,

and feeding us forgiveness, beautifully broken;

through Christ, the suffering servant.

All: Amen.

First Reading Scott Werry

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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 this man 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: The word of the Lord.

Acts 3.12-19

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Refrain



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.

"You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"

Refrain

Know that God does wonders for the faithful; when I call, my Redeemer will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Refrain

Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in God.

Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!"

Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O God.

Refrain

You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase. I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, God, make me dwell in safety. Refrain Second Reading Karen Visser

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of 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 sins 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: The word of the Lord.

1 John 3.1-7

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Song: "See Me, Feel Me" (Pete Townshend)

Screen share

See me, feel me, touch me, heal me See me, feel me, touch me, heal me See me, feel me, touch me, heal me See me, feel me, touch me, heal me

Listening to you I get the music Gazing at you I get the heat Following you I climb the mountain I get excitement at your feet

Right behind you I see the millions On you I see the glory From you I get opinions From you I get the story

The Gospel Steven Mackison

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.

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."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 24.36b-48

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

A moment of silence is observed.

Meditation: "Alleluia Canon" (Michael Praetorius)

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Hymn: #430 (Gather) "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Screen share



- 1. I know that my Re deem-er lives; What joy the blest as sur-ance gives 2. He lives, to bless me with his love; He lives to plead for me a bove;
- 3. He lives, and grants me dai ly breath; He lives, and I shall con-quer death;
- 4. He lives, all glo ry to his name; He lives, my Sav-iour still the same;



He lives, he lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - last-ing Head! He lives, my hun - gry soul to feed; He lives, to help in time of need. He lives, my man - sion to pre - pare; He lives, to bring me safe - ly there. What joy the blest as - sur - ance gives; I know that my Re-deem-er lives!

Leader: May God be glorified now, as we commit ourselves to the work of prayer; in the church's proclamation and witness to the resurrection; in our worship, and our openness to the Spirit of life, in our longing to glorify God through our commitment to serving those in need, in the faith lived out in all who are gathered together here and now and in the wonder of all who seek and the struggle of those who doubt.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box In all this:

All: May God be glorified.

Leader: May God be glorified in the world; in aid programs and peace-making missions, in our efforts to uphold justice, in the challenge to provide resources for all, and in the call to heal the hurts we have inflicted on creation.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box In all this:

All: May God be glorified.

Leader: May God be glorified in the relationships that shape our lives; in the wisdom and insights of our elders, in the guidance and sacrifices of parents and caregivers, in the learning and growth of children and youth, and in our desire to forgive one another when we have failed.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box In all this:

All: May God be glorified.

Leader: May God be glorified in the plight of the sick and the suffering; in the tireless work of tending, comforting and healing, in the patient acceptance of pain and weakness, in the uncertainty of living in a time of pandemic, and in the practical, constant, caring we offer to one another.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box In all this:

All: May God be glorified.

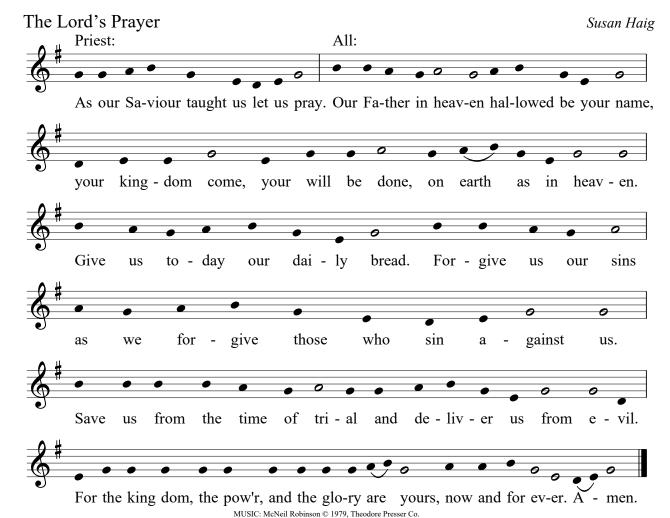
Leader: May God be glorified in the face of death; in the twilight years of those confronting their mortality, in the unexpected endings of those who died from violence or sudden illness in the gentle passing of lives well lived and now breaking into eternity, and in the hearts of all who mourn and look for meaning.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box In all this:

All: May God be glorified.

Leader: May God be glorified in all our expressions of gratitude; in the love that makes us one, in the joy of the resurrection, and in the hope of eternity.

In all this, we give thanks to God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.



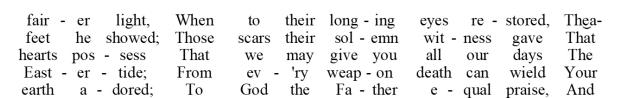
The Doxology
Susan Haig

Priest: Glory to God,

All: whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus

for ever and ever. Amen







TEXT: Claro paschali gaudio; Latin 5th C.; tr. by John M. Neale (1818-1866), alt. TUNE: Puer Nobis, LM: adapt. by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

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pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord. Christ was ris - en from the grave. will - ing trib - ute of our praise. own re-deemed for ev - er shield. Spir - it blest, our songs we raise. The Blessing

Susan Haig

Priest: May God,

who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

has given us the victory,

renew your faith and restore your hope.

And may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier

be amongst you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal Steven Mackison

Priest: We are raised to new life with Christ.

Go in his peace. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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Ministry Updates

Compline at 8 PM

Compline is a Christian tradition of bedtime prayers. These traditional prayers unveil God's grace in all of our endings - the day's end, the week's end, and our last nightfall.

Join in through Zoom at 8 PM each Sunday night for about 20 minutes. The link can be found in each Friday's eNews.

Voices For Peace

Voices for Peace explores the radical Christian praxis of peace and non-violence. Redeemer, along with Citizens for Public Justice, the Henri Nouwen Society, the Basilian Centre for Peace and Justice, and the Canadian Council of Churches, sponsors the conference.

This year, in lieu of a residential conference, so we are hosting three webinars with the theme Radical Hope: Radical Resistance. Our speakers will explore the connections of peacemaking to ecology, reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and opposition to nuclear weapons development.

April 20, 7 PM: Sylvia Keesmaat. "Recovering Our Roots in the Community of Creation." (Ecology) June 16, 7 PM: Terry Leblanc. "Retelling our Theological Narrative." (Reconciliation) September 16, 7 PM: John Dear. Title TBA (Nuclear disarmament)

Tickets are \$15 + tax/event. Registration for April 20 is now open.

Celebrating Julian of Norwich

On May 8, 1373, in the bustling English city of Norwich, a woman called Julian had a near-death experience. She went on to relate her visions in the first book written in English by a woman. She insisted that everything she wrote was faithful to tradition, but her thought was original and profound: a vision of God in whom there is no room for wrath, but only boundless love and compassion for the suffering of humanity, who is both Father and Mother of creation, and who somehow - by a miracle beyond our ability to grasp - will eventually accomplish the salvation of every living being.

Learning@Redeemer invites you to observe the anniversary of Julian's vision on Saturday, May 8, at 4PM. Medievalist David Townsend will provide a short introduction to Julian's life and thought. A team of eight readers will bring excerpts from her book to life. After the reading we will have 20 minutes of conversation, reflecting together on we've heard, facilitated by pastoral theologian Elaine Ramshaw. Please register by clicking here. You will then receive a Zoom link the day before the event.

Vaccinations

If you would like assistance, or know of anyone in our community who would benefit from assistance, registering for a vaccination or travelling to and from their appointment, the Pastoral Care Team is here to help. Please contact Susan at shaig@theredeemer.ca.

Pastoral Care Team Checking In

The Pastoral Care Team and its volunteers have been calling and continue to call, members of the Redeemer Community to check in with them regarding how they are doing during this pandemic.

Due to the ongoing isolation and disconnectedness, if you know of anyone who would benefit from a call from our Pastoral Care Team, that has not been receiving a call, please contact Tony Crosbie at tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca.

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern in chat. If you have people or situations that you would like included in the service but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a prayer request form on the website. These will be added to the intercessions in the appropriate petition. You can find the form here.

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available <u>online</u>. This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

Future Ministry Updates

For all future announcement or ministry updates, please email <u>twilliams@theredeemer.ca</u> by Wednesday each week for your contribution to be included in the following Sunday bulletin.