# St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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The Third Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2012, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

**Prelude** 

Matins

Healey Willan

# The Word of God

At the tolling of the bell, please stand.

**Entrance Hymn** 

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Hymnal 182

# **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Celebrant continues

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.* 

### Hymn of Praise

Through north and south

**WLP 822** 

9:30 a.m. Children may follow the cross to Godly Play.

# The 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.* 

First Reading Acts 3:12-19

Please be seated.

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. People **Thanks be to God**.

#### Psalm 4



- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my <u>cause</u>; \* you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my <u>prayer</u>.
- 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 <u>faithful</u>; \* when I call upon the LORD, he will <u>hear me</u>.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not <u>sin;</u> \* speak to your heart in silence upon your <u>bed</u>.

- 5 Offer the appointed <u>sacrifices</u> \* and put your trust in the <u>LORD</u>.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better <u>times</u>!" \* Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O <u>LORD</u>.
- 7 You have put gladness in my <u>heart</u>, \* more than when grain and wine and <u>oil increase</u>.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall a-sleep; \* for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

### **Second Reading**

1 John 3:1-7

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 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.

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

# Sequence Hymn

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

Hymnal 492

Please stand.

Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus 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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

The Rev. Brad A. Rundlett, Rector

#### The Nicene Creed

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.

# A Litany of Thanksgiving for Workers in the Church

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Leader Let us pray.

Leader For those who lead and those who follow; for officers and councils and committees and boards:

People We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader For ushers and greeters, for assisting ministers and readers, for acolytes and servers, for musicians and choirs:

People We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader For prophets and seers, for teachers and preachers, for those who visit and for those who call:

People We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader For administrators and helpers, for counters and record keepers, for bulletin folders and envelope stuffers:

People We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader For those who give and those who pray, for those who plan and those who guide; for those with wisdom and those with inspiration:

People We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader For our past and for our future, for the many ways that we embody Christ for the needy in the world, for mission and ministry and for a purpose for being the Church:

People We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader Make us cheerful givers and faithful workers for your kingdom.

People We dedicate our lives to your service.

Leader Make us one in the body of Christ that we may acknowledge with gratefulness the importance of all our members and all our gifts for the mission that you give us.

People We dedicate our lives to your service.

Leader Lift up the weak among us. Heal the sick. Relieve the distressed. Comfort the mourning. Be our strong rock and a refuge to keep us safe.

People Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Leader Bless our youth, and all who work with them. In all ways show your favor in their lives that they may live in virtue and faith and enrich the world by your calling.

People Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Celebrant Holy God, Blessed Lord, we thank you for all the good people of faith that you have raised up among us for the work of the Gospel. Be in our hands and our minds and our words that we might bring your love to the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

Please stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### Welcome and Announcements

# The Holy Communion

# Offertory

Celebrant Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Offertory Anthem O Sons and Daughters of the King Paul Sjolund

Presentation Hymn Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Hymnal 205

### The Great Thanksgiving

**Eucharistic Prayer B** 

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 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:

Sanctus

Hymnal S 128

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

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,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant 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 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 Timothy and 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. **AMEN**.

### The Lord's Prayer

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

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.

### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem The disciples knew the Lord Jesus WLP 877

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Hymnal 711

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

# The Blessing

Recessional That Easter Day with joy was bright Hymnal 193

Please stand.

#### **Dismissal**

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ! People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bonds J.S. Bach