



# St. Francis' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**Sunday, April 18th, 2021**  
**The Third Sunday of Easter**  
**10:30am**

**Liturgy of the Word**  
*Enriching Our Worship*



## Prelude

## Welcome from the Vicar

## We Gather

*The people of God gather together. A bell rings out. Silence is kept.*

## Gathering Hymn

## Christ is Alive

H 182

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands  
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the  
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.  
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.  
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

## Opening Acclamations

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## Song of Praise

## Glory to God

S 280

*Hymn Leader, Leah Milton and Sally Boyd, St. Barnabas'*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - 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

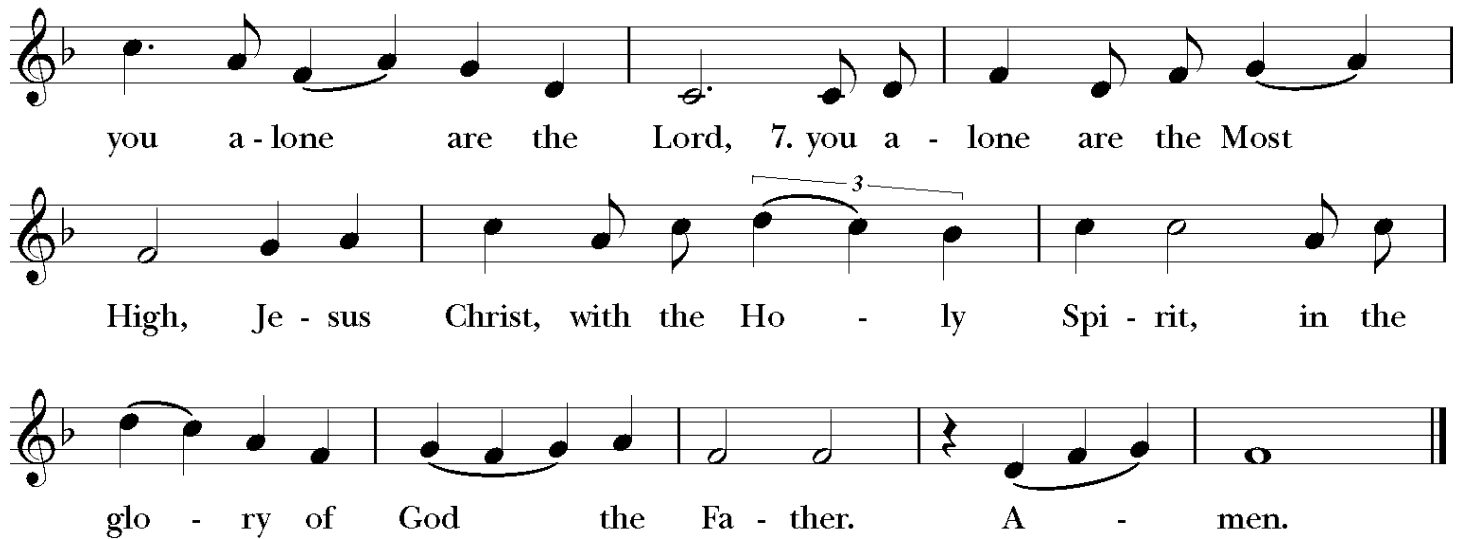
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

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

The musical score is written on ten staves. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like. There are three triplets marked with a '3' and a bracket. The lyrics are written below the staves, with line breaks corresponding to the musical phrases. The text is in a serif font, and the overall layout is clean and professional.



### The Collect of the Day

Officiant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

O Wounded One, Risen One, Life-giving Lover of Souls: Guide us as we seek to build up your Church on earth, drawing others into the warmth of your saving embrace; to the honor and glory of your most blessed name, from this time forth and for ever more.

People: **Amen.**

### The Lessons

#### The First Reading

Reader: A reading from the book of Acts.

3:12-19

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 him 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."

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

You have put gladness in my heart, O LORD.

A B

- 1 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.
- 2 “You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory?  
how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?” ANTIPHON
- A 3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;  
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- A 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin;  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- B 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices  
and put your trust in the Lord. ANTIPHON
- A 6 Many are saying,  
“Oh, that we might see better times!”  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- A 7 You have put gladness in my heart,  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- B 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;  
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety. ANTIPHON

### The Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the first Letter of John.

3:1-7

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Hymn

### Sing Praise to our Creator

H 295

1 Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, O you of Ad-am's race—  
2 To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's co - e - ter - nal Son;  
3 And praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit poured forth up - on the earth;

God's chil - dren by a - dop - tion, bap - tized in - to his grace.  
as mem - bers of his Bo - dy we live in him as one.  
who sanc - ti - fies and guides us, made strong in our re - birth.

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Music: *Christus, der ist mein Leben*, melody Melchior Vulpus (1560?-1616); harm. after Melchior Vulpus (1560?-1616)

### The Gospel

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

24:36-48

People: **Glory to you, Lord.**

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." 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.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti

## **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 human.**  
**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**

Deacon: Gathered as believers in Christ, made one body through baptism and living into the mystery and power of Christ's resurrection, let us offer prayers to God and our response be: "Glory and praise to you, O living God."

Intercessor: For God's people throughout the world, for the welfare of Christ's holy churches, for all bishops, priests and deacons, and in this Missouri Diocese that we may go forth in the world to proclaim the risen Christ. And for the chaplains, staff & volunteers at the Episcopal City Mission, and the detained youth that they serve, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor: For the leaders of the world that there may be peace and unity of all, for the leaders of this nation and those who hold authority, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor: For all emergency responders, for those who stand against social injustices, and for those serving in our armed forces, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Intercessor: We give thanks for healing and consolation. I invite your prayers of thanksgiving, either silently or aloud. (Pause) For all our many blessings, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor: For this holy gathering and the witness, renewal, and growth of our parish family that we may share the good news of Jesus Christ through our actions and words, and continually strive to make St. Francis' Church a place of invitation and hospitality, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor: For those whose lives have been changed and displaced by natural disasters, for the hungry and starving, for those in prison and those who are victims of crime, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor: For the sick and the suffering, the injured and the infirm, the unemployed and the underemployed. We remember especially, Noel, Roger, Paul, Mary, Max, Sue and Kathleen M. And we remember those who have asked for our prayers, especially Mary



Jo, Molly, Penny, Sally, Tessie, Melanie, Debbie, Robin, Pat, Elizabeth B., Elizabeth T., Joan, Tucker, Christine, Linda Rose, Mary, Joanne, Brittney, Dominic, Tony, Ellen, and St. Boniface's Migration Ministry, in Florida. Please name those for whom you wish to pray, either silently or aloud. (Pause) For all those we name, and those we hold in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor: For all those whom we love but see no longer, especially Chris Danner, and Les McKee, that they may be received in your infinite tenderness and given eternal rest. Please name those whom you wish to remember, either silently or aloud. (Pause) For all the departed, and for those who mourn. Let us pray to the Lord:

People: **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Officiant: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us eternal peace through Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers, which we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe wholeness upon us with your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Officiant: Let us pray in the way that Christ taught us.

People: **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 you forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Peace**

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*We invite you to take a moment and extend the peace of God to the members of your household and then to people in the world that you love and struggle to love.*

### **Announcements**

### **Blessing**

Officiant: God's Blessing be with you,  
Christ's peace be with you,  
the Spirit's outpouring be with you,  
now and always.

People: **Amen.**

Christ has a - ris - en, Al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and

The first system of the hymn is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Christ has a - ris - en, Al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and'.

praise Him, Al - le - lu - ia. For our Re - deem - er burst from the

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: 'praise Him, Al - le - lu - ia. For our Re - deem - er burst from the'.

tomb, E - ven from death dis - pel - ling its gloom. Let us sing praise to Him

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: 'tomb, E - ven from death dis - pel - ling its gloom. Let us sing praise to Him'.

with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy, Our sin for -

The fourth system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: 'with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy, Our sin for -'.

giv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia. Je - sus is liv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia.

The fifth system concludes the hymn. The lyrics are: 'giv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia. Je - sus is liv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia.' The system ends with a double bar line.

## Dismissal

Deacon: As we go out this day, let us share the love of the risen Christ with the world; let us depart in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **We will share the love of Christ with the world! Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Prayer Lists

Our homebound parishioner: Noel

Our parishioners: Roger, Paul, Mary, Max, Sue, and Kathleen M.

For those who have asked for prayers: For Mary Jo, Molly, Penny, Sally, Tessie, Melanie, Debbie, Robin, Pat, Elizabeth B., Elizabeth T., Joan, Tucker, Christine, Linda Rose, Mary, Joanna, Brittney, Dominic, Tony, Ellen, and St. Boniface's Migration Ministry in Florida

For those who have died and those who mourn: For Chris Danner, and Les McKee; for the law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and their families; and for all in St. Louis who have suffered directly from gun violence this year and those whose lives were lost and their families

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For the people and ministry of this Missouri Diocese that we may go forth in the world proclaiming the risen Christ

For those committed to our ongoing prayers: Deaconess Anne House interns; those discerning a call to ordained ministry; the ministry of the chaplains, staff, volunteers at Episcopal City Mission, and the youth in detention and their families; patients, families, & communities affected by substance use disorders and those suffering from untreated & undertreated pain and chronic diseases; all whose lives have been impacted by Covid-19; those who serve in our military

## Announcements

### **This Week at St. Francis'**

*Today, Sunday, April 18*

- 8:30am Holy Eucharist\*
- 9:30am Sunday Forum, in person and on Zoom\*
- 10:30am Liturgy of the Word, on YouTube\*
- 12:00pm Bishop's Committee, Community Room
- 5:45pm Al-Anon, Community Room\*

*Monday, April 19*

- 8:30am Morning Prayer, Facebook\*

*Wednesday, April 21*

- 11:45am Eucharist outside, The Timbers\*
- 12:15pm Crafternoon, The Timbers

*Thursday, April 22*

- 6:45pm AA, Community Room\*

*Friday, April 23*

- 8:30am Morning Prayer, Facebook\*
- 10:00am Bible Study, Community Room or Zoom\*

*Saturday, April 24*

- 10:00am Grounds Committee, Community Room

### **Next Week at St. Francis'**

All items marked with an asterisk above are weekly opportunities and will repeat the following week

### **Welcome!**

Are you a visitor? We're so glad you're here! If you're joining us in person and would like to connect, please speak with an usher or fill out a Getting to Know You form, available in the back of the sanctuary. If you're joining us online, we'd love you to submit the same form, available through the main navigation menu of our website, so we can know who you are and how we can connect.

### **Or welcome back!**

Members and friends of St. Francis', today marks a really special day in the life of our congregation: we are coming together for Sunday worship inside of our sanctuary for the first time since Covid began last year! Our 8:30 Spoken Holy Eucharist worship is also our first Sunday Eucharist with our new Vicar, Rev. Laurie.

We will work hard to keep everyone safe and to communicate changes to calendars and protocols.

### **Sunday Forum**

Our "Who is Our Neighbor" Forum series began last week with a session led by The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson, the Bishop of our Diocese. If you missed it, please check out our YouTube channel at <http://bit.ly/stfranciseureka>. We continue this week with a session led by Jim Bowlin, parishioner here and the mayor of Wildwood. Next week's session will be Audrey Bell, the director of the Eureka Food Pantry. You can participate in the Forum either by attending in person or through Zoom; participants on Zoom will be able to ask questions through a moderator.

### **Email Newsletter**

The majority of our announcements and program information is sent in our weekly newsletter, Fridays around noon. If you aren't currently receiving our newsletter and would like to, please contact Leslie at [office@stfranciseureka.com](mailto:office@stfranciseureka.com).

## Today's Ministers of Worship

Officiant	The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti
Deacon	The Ven. Rebecca Barger
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Hymn Leaders	Donna Bernert and Kathryn Anzilotti
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