MORNING PRAYER

Third Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2020
WELCOME
TO ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is a house of worship and community commons in Brooklyn Heights. All are welcome here to seek sanctuary and solace, follow a spiritual path, celebrate music and the arts, participate in civic discourse, and engage in service for the common good.

We are glad you have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we hope you will return soon. If you are searching for a spiritual home, we invite you to consider St. Ann’s. Our community is friendly, welcoming, and deeply committed to sharing God’s love, caring for creation, and serving our neighbors in need. Please join us!

Officiant       The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro
Preacher        The Rev. Dr. Craig D. Townsend
Readers         Jenniffer Willis, Léon Willis
Director of Music Gregory D’Agostino
Soloist         Todd Frizzell
ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE Sonata in B minor, L. 33 Scarlatti

OPENING HYMN The Hymnal 1982, #417

Antiphon

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the people of God, and
4 Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be-

1 blood set us free to be people of God. [Ant.]
2 honor, blessing, and glory are his. [Ant.]
3 join in the hymn of all creation. [Ant.]
4 God and the Lamb for ever. Amen. [Ant.]
5 gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia! [Ant.]

Final Antiphon

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

THE OPENING SENTENCE

*Officiant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!
*People* The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.
*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.

FIRST LESSON 1 Peter 1:17-23

*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* Here ends the reading.
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!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.
GOSPEL LESSON


Reader A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

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.

Reader Here ends the reading.

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Craig D. Townsend

ANTHEM

Come risen Lord

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; thyself at thine own board make manifest in thine own Sacrament of Bread and Wine.

We meet, as in that upper room they met; thou at the table, blessing, yet dost stand: ‘This is my Body”; so thou givest yet: faith still receives the cup as from thy hand.

One body we, one Body who partake, one Church united in communion blest; one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.

One with each other, Lord, for one in thee, who art one Savior and one living Head; then open thou our eyes, that we may see; be known to us in breaking of the Bread.
THE PRAYERS

Officiant  The Lord be with you.
People  And also with you.
Officiant  Let us pray.

Our Father in heaven,
  hallowed be your Name,
  your kingdom come,
  your will be done,
  on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
  as we forgive those
  who sin against us.
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.

THE SUFFRAGES

Officiant  Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
People  Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Officiant  Day by day we bless you;
People  We praise your name for ever.
Officiant  Lord, keep us from all sin today;
People  Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
Officiant  Lord, show us your love and mercy;
People  For we put our trust in you.
Officiant  In you, Lord, is our hope;
People  And we shall never hope in vain.
THE COLLECTS

Collect of the Day
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.

A Collect for Sundays
O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.
THE BENEDICTION

Officiant  May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People  Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant  Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People  Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

FINAL HYMN  The Hymnal 1982, #632

1 O Christ, the Word Incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
2 The Church from our dear Master received the word divine,
3 O make thy Church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold,
O Truth, un-changed, un-chang-ing, O Light of our dark sky;
and still that light is lift-ed o'er all the earth to shine.
to bear be-fore the na-tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra-diance that from the scrip-ture's page,
It is the chart and com-pass that o'er life's surg-ing sea,
O teach thy wan-dering pil-grims by this their path to trace,

a lan-tern to our foot-steps, shines on from age to age.
mid mists and rocks and quick-sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.
till, clouds and dark-ness end-ed, they see thee face to face.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt. Music: Munich, melody from Neus vermehrtes und zu Übung Christ, Gottesgrät eingereichertes Meinungisches Gesangbuch, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

POSTLUDE Sonata in B minor, L. 449 Scarlatti