

# The Third Sunday of Easter



April 18, 2021  
10:15 a.m. Mass

Grace Episcopal Church  
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*The Mission of Grace Church is:  
To love God, to love others and serve God's world.*

# Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today.  
If you are looking for a parish home, we hope you will find one here with us.

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If you are a guest visiting today, please consider signing our Guest Register located on the podium at the entrance to St. Nicholas Hall and complete a red Visitors Card. The cards can be given to an Usher or placed in the offering plate.

- ❖ We ask that you sit where pews are marked off with an X.
- ❖ We ask that you refrain from singing the hymns.
- ❖ When you approach the altar for communion, please keep social distance; stop at the hand sanitizing station to sanitize before approaching to receive the Bread from the priest.
- ❖ After you receive Communion, turn left to go down the pulpit (left) side aisle, going to the back and up to your seat again.
- ❖ When you exit the building, please leave through the wooden doors at the back of church.
- ❖ All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at Grace Church.
  - For those not receiving Communion today, please feel welcome to come forward for a blessing during this time; simply cross your arms across your chest as you come forward.
  - For those physically unable to come to the altar, please share this with an Usher; Communion will be brought to you.
- ❖ Grace Church **rejoices** in celebrating God's love and presence with children in attendance at Mass.
- ❖ Christian Formation (Sunday School) for adults and children is offered throughout the year on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The next adult session begins on April 18 and details may be found in the Parish Notices section of this bulletin. Formation for children is suspended until further notice.

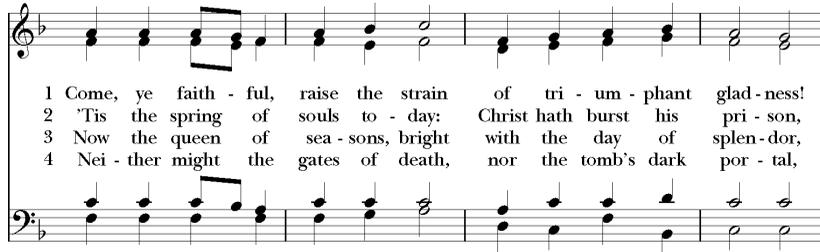
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# Liturgy of the Word

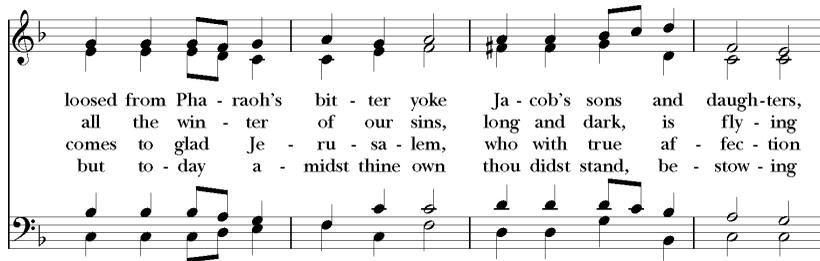
*At the sound of the bells, all stand as able for the singing of hymn 199.*



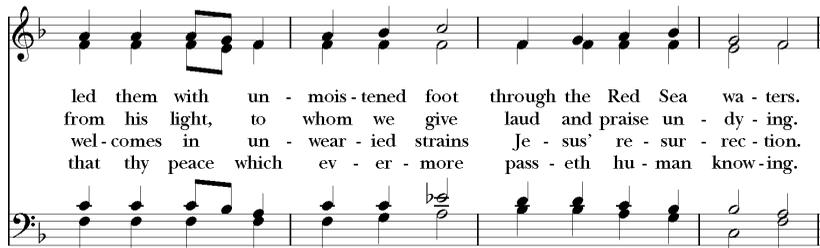
1 Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ hath burst his pri - son,  
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,  
4 Nei - ther might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,



God hath brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness:  
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris - en;  
with the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren - der;  
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold thee as a mor - tal:



loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,  
all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing  
comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion  
but to - day a - midst thine own thou didst stand, be - stow - ing



led them with un - mois - tened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
wel - comes in un - wear - ied strains Je - sus' re - sur - rec - tion.  
that thy peace which ev - er - more pass - eth hu - man know - ing.

*The Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*The following is said, all standing as able.*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **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

*All sit.*

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 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.”

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

*Remain seated.*

## **Psalm 4**

*Cum invocarem*

- 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?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; \*  
    when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
    speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
    and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*  
    Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
    more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
    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.

*All stand as able.*

### **Pascha nostrum** *(in unison)*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;  
    therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,  
    but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;  
    death no longer has dominion over him.  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;  
    but the life he lives, he lives to God.  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin,  
    and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead,  
    the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since by a man came death,  
    by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die,  
    so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

### **Holy Gospel**

Luke 24:36b-48

*Deacon*            The Lord be with you.  
*People*            And also with you.  
*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*            Glory to you, Lord 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.

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

## **Sermon**

Fr. William Bulson

## **Nicene Creed**

*All stand as able.*

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.

## **Prayers of the People**

*The Deacon says*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Francis, Bishop of Rome, Bartolomeos, Ecumenical Patriarch, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Matthew, our Bishop and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Joseph, our President, Michael, our Mayor, Ryan, our Mayor-elect, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For this city of Sheboygan, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Steve Gallimore, Nick Whitford, Austin Barrows, Marlene Roesler and Clifton Bartels who celebrate birthdays and for all who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, and for the widows and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially: Ed Clabots, Eric Meulemans, Greg Burgett, Barb MacEwen, Alex Hammes, Jon Whitford, Margaret Knocke, Wayne Knocke, Nancy Imig, and Carver Beeck. *Shut ins*: Mary Evans, Valerie Kains, Marjorie Buttz. *Family & Friends of Grace*: Barbara S., Natalie, Katie, Emma, Maxwell, Stacy, Becky, James, Lydia, Nancy H. and Winnie, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

Defend us, deliver us and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, St. Nicholas and all of the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To thee, O Lord our God.*

*Celebrant*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Peace**

*All stand as able.*

*Celebrant*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*                And also with you.

*Observing social distancing, the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Announcements**

## Holy Communion

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Offertory Hymn**

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1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay,  
2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met; thou  
3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one  
4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee, who

let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;  
at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand;  
Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest;  
art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest in  
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet: faith  
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with  
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see; be

thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.  
 still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.  
 all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.  
 known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

**Great Thanksgiving**

*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 him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, 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.

*The people kneel as able.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, St. Joseph, St. Nicholas and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

*People and Celebrant*

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.

## Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*The Celebrant says*

Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to His supper.

*The People respond*

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you. But, only say the word and I shall be healed.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*Communion will be received in one kind – the Body of Christ the Bread of Heaven.*

## Communion Hymn

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1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bid with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.  
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Sending Out**

*Deacon*

Let those who will bring Holy Communion to our brothers and sisters come forward.

*Celebrant*

As you go to the sick and the homebound, take with you the sacrament we have celebrated, the Word of God which we have heard, the affection of this parish, and our prayers; in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

## **Blessing**

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of the LORD God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

## **Dismissal**

*Deacon*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*People*

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

1 Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er, death, ap -  
 2 Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to Je - sus  
 3 Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall  
 4 Je - sus lives! to him the throne o - ver all the world is

pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know thou, O  
 liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide, glo - ry  
 sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us  
 giv - en: may we go where he has gone, rest and

grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to our Sa - vior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 reign with him in hea - ven. Al - le - lu - ia!

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in G Major

J. S. Bach

**A Note on Today's Readings**

*The Third Sunday of Easter—Year B*

On this Third Sunday of Easter, the Gospel reading directs our attention to the Eucharist as our ongoing experience of the resurrection. On the first Easter afternoon Jesus met two of his followers, and as they walked to the village of Emmaus he explained the scriptures concerning his death and resurrection to them. At table with them he said the blessing and broke the bread and they recognized him. Today's Gospel reading carries that story to its conclusion. Those two disciples are in the midst of telling the others that Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread when he appears in their midst. He again explains the scriptures and

shares food with them. Thus from the very beginning of the Church's life in the risen Lord, the meal has been the most common way Jesus' resurrection is revealed to his people.

Our reading from Acts today is an account of the manifestation of Christ's presence in and through his followers. Peter and John heal a cripple in the name of Jesus and then Peter proclaims the Gospel of the dying and rising of Jesus. The second reading this Sunday speaks of the forgiveness of sins we have as a result of our life in Christ.

We are a people who through Baptism and Eucharist live in Christ's dying and rising. We meet him again and again in the Breaking of the Bread and acclaim him. "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!"

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## **Daily Offices, Masses and Happenings at Grace this week**

### **The Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 18, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation class via Zoom resumes today

10:15 a.m. Mass, registration required

### **Monday, April 19, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:00 p.m. Corporate Rosary

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Shrine Prayers

6:00 p.m. Scouts Meeting-St. Nicholas Hall

### **Tuesday, April 20, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting-St. Nicholas Hall

### **Wednesday, April 21, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

### **Thursday, April 22, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m. AA meeting-St. Nicholas Hall

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

5:30 p.m. Fencing class-St. Nicholas Hall

### **Friday, April 23, 2021**

Fr. William's weekly day off; no Morning or Evening Prayer

**Saturday, April 24, 2021**

Office Closed

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 25, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation class via Zoom

10:15 a.m. Bishop's Annual Visitation and Mass, registration required

## **Parish Notices**

**Sign up for Sunday Masses at 10:15 a.m. through SignUpGenius**

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**Beginning TODAY! Sunday Morning Christian Formation on the *Sundays of Easter*, 9:00-9:45 am, on Zoom. Apr 18-May 30, Reading together NT Wright's *Surprised By Hope*.**

We proclaim the Resurrection of Jesus and say our own hope for eternal life is the resurrection of the dead. And St. Paul even says, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished." (I Cor 15:17-18).

What does all this mean and what is the Resurrection in our faith? We will read one of the most respected and most accessible biblical scholars in the Anglican Communion, Bp NT Wright, to dig in to the heart of the apostles' proclamation and our faith.

For our first meeting, please read chapters 1 and 2 and be ready to discuss. We will see if we can explore this book together in a more seminar style.

The Zoom link for this Easter formation group

is: <https://zoom.us/j/93247049800?pwd=bzVGbXRRC052WHJVVkEwaE9lYVpXZz09>

**Our doors will re-open for daily prayer and reflection**

The Ontario Avenue wooden doors will once again be opened to those who seek to enter for prayer and reflection. Fr. William will open the doors for Morning Prayer, Sunday through Thursday, and close them after Evening Prayer. On Fridays, staff will open/close the doors during their working hours.

**Compassion Fund Assistance Still Available**

Grace Church instituted the Compassion Fund in 2020 to financially assist church members affected by the economic effects of Covid. Funds remain to assist parishioners. Please contact Deacon Paul Aparicio for information and assistance. ([PAparicio@gracesheboygan.com](mailto:PAparicio@gracesheboygan.com))

**Weekday Communion on Mondays**

The final Monday Communion will be offered on April 26.

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## **Opening Up our Church and Adjustments to Restrictions**

Pandemic restrictions are being loosened all over the country and we have begun to relax some restrictions at Grace. For example, we now have 10:15 Sunday liturgy in person with maximum of 50 attendees.

But here are some of the limitations and relaxations of restrictions that we will live with for a couple of months or so to see how things develop, ensure ongoing safety, and allow ourselves to roll back relaxations if we need to.

- We will continue to observe masking, sanitizing, and distancing:
- We will refrain from singing until further notice.
- We will have one liturgy on Sunday only (10:15.)
- Daily Morning Prayer at 7:30 am and Evening Prayer at 5:30 pm, Sunday-Thursday will be open to anyone who wants to attend, and we'll see how these weekday services go.
- Weekday Masses will be only particular holidays, such as the Annunciation (Mar 25); weekday Masses will start later.
- Christian formation groups will continue to be remote/online.
- Sunday School will not convene just yet, pending more direction from our diocese about how to proceed.
- No strictly social gatherings will be held until further clearance is given.

## **Corporate Rosary and Shrine prayers now in-person and via Zoom**

Join us Monday nights at 5:00 pm., as the service is prayed and broadcast from the Lady Chapel, starting with the Angelus.

Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92919975120?pwd=M1RYL2UzVWZ1ekE2bGFZd25ENm9NQOT09#success>

Service Booklet link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1yj1WpgzmC1TEFzjbgZmIVWQgPe54grfl>

## **Bishop's Visitation 2021**

Next Sunday, April 25, we welcome The Rt. Rev. Bishop A. Matthew Gunter for his annual visitation to Grace Church. He will preach and celebrate at the 10:15 Mass.

## **God willing, in-person Summer Camp**

The Diocese of Fond du Lac Summer Camp is for kids age 4 through graduating 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Camp is an opportunity for campers and staff to learn more about God, about community, about themselves and have fun!

Staff Volunteers are also needed for Kinder, Junior, Middle and Senior Camps.

Online Registration is now open. ***\*Scholarships are available, contact the Parish Office.***

### **Something Extra for Grace**

Envelopes are available in the pews if you are moved to give an extra gift, beyond your pledge or regular plate donation, toward the life of the church. Gifts are tax deductible if you write your name on the envelope.

### **PARISH STAFF**

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The Reverend Michael J. Burg, *Deacon*  
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