

**Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024—10am**



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Our Mission Statement:

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal.
Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.
Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**.
+ Please stand as you are able.

+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

“Shout for Joy Loud and Long” arr. David Hicken

+ Easter Acclamation

Alleluia, Christ is Risen! **Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

+ Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

+ Gathering Song

“Death in His Grave”

Although the earth cried out for blood, satisfied her hunger was,
billows calmed on raging seas for the souls of men she craved.
Sun and moon from balcony turned their head in disbelief.
Precious Love would taste the sting, disfigured and disdained.

Refrain: On Friday a thief, on Sunday a King. Laid down in grief, but
woke with the keys of hell on that day, first born of the slain.
The Man, Jesus Christ laid death in His grave.
Oh, oh, oh, oh. (x2)

So three days in darkness slept, the Morning Son of righteousness,
but rose to shame the throes of death and overturn His rule.
Now daughters and the sons of men would pay not their dues again.
The debt of blood they owed was rent when the day He rolled anew.

He has cheated hell and seated us above the fall.
In desperate places, He paid our wages one time, once and for all.

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+ Greeting	ELW p.147
+ Kyrie	ELW p.147
+ Canticle of Praise	ELW p.149
+ Prayer of the Day	ELW p.33

+Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4 ELW #4

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-7

+ Gospel Acclamation ELW p.151

+ Gospel Reading Luke 24:36b-48

Young at Heart Message & Sermon The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Song of the Day "To Be Alive"

Refrain: To be alive is to live the love that is alive in God's saving Son
Who brought us back from a life of death to be alive!

There is nothing I can do to save me. Only God carries us home.
So we live mercy, hope, and freedom, loving one another to be whole.

Join the singing, join the celebration. Jesus lives, we are restored.
Love alive, giving and forgiving, loving one another to be whole.

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+ Nicene Creed ELW p.104

+ Prayers of Intercession God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

+ Peace

+Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

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+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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+ Proper Preface

+ Sanctus

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+ Thanksgiving at the Table (IV)

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+ Lord's Prayer (sins)

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+ Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

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Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors.

If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

Distribution Song

TFF #82 "Oh, How He Loves You and Me"

Oh, how he loves you and me. Oh, how he loves you and me;
He gave his life, what more could he give?
Oh, how he loves you; oh, how he loves me; oh, how he loves you and me!

Jesus to Calv'ry did go his love for this world to show;
What he did there brought from despair.
Oh, how he loves you; oh, how he loves me; oh, how he loves you and me!

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+ Table Blessing

+ Post Communion Canticle

ELW #207

+ Prayer after Communion

+ Sending +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Song

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+ Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude

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