

The Third Sunday of Easter, year B

April 18, 2021 + Mount Olive Lutheran Church



Focus on the Season: The Third Sunday of Easter, year B

In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the Scriptures: the two centers of our normal Sunday liturgy. We continue to be in a forced fast from the Eucharist until we can be together; nonetheless, the risen Christ is still with us, and has been, and will be, until we gather at that feast together again.

Keep this document open on the screen, to aid in your worship today. The link is embedded in this pdf, so you don't have to return to the email. You can also print these pages and use the link in the email.



Centering and Gathering

Light your candle. [Start the video by clicking here](#); it will continue through the Postlude.

PRELUDE: "Chant de Joie"

Jean Langlais

Recorded at Mount Olive on April 15, 2021.

HYMN: ELW 383, "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Sung at Mount Olive on the Sixth Sunday of Easter, year B, May 10, 2015.

EASTER GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

G Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

G And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: ELW page 196, "This is the feast..."

Sung at Mount Olive on the Seventh Sunday of Easter, year A, May 28, 2017.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Word

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19; reader – Steve Berg, lector

PSALMODY: Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender ¹ of my cause; * you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and ¹ hear my prayer.

²“You mortals, how long will you dishon- ¹ or my glory; * how long will you love illusions and seek ¹ after lies?”

³Know that the LORD does wonders ¹ for the faithful; * the LORD will hear me ¹ when I call.

⁴Tremble, then, and ¹ do not sin; * speak to your heart in silence up- ¹ on your bed.

⁵Offer the appointed ¹ sacrifices, * and put your trust ¹ in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying, “Who will show us ¹ any good?” * Let the light of your face shine upon ¹ us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness ¹ in my heart, * more than when grain and ¹ wine abound.

⁸In peace, I will lie ¹ down and sleep; * for you alone, O LORD, make me ¹ rest secure.

Sung at Mount Olive on the Third Sunday of Easter, year B, April 15, 2018

SECOND READING: I John 3:1-7; reader – Gretchen Campbell-Johnson, assisting minister

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW 388, “Be Not Afraid” *sung before and after the Gospel*

Sung at Mount Olive on the Third Sunday of Easter, year A, May 4, 2014.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

SERMON

Recollection

Vicar Andrea Bonneville

Silence for reflection.

HYMN: ELW 646, “The Peace of the Lord”

Sung at Mount Olive on the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 14 C, July 7, 2019.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

*Our Assisting Minister for today, Gretchen Campbell-Johnson, has prepared intercessory prayers for us to pray this morning. As our prayers rise up from all over the metro area and beyond, once more we are joined together in Christ. (Our weekly prayer list is on the last page.) Response: **Hear our prayer.***

LORD’S PRAYER *Pray the Lord’s Prayer together.*

PEACE *Please greet one another with Christ’s peace.*

OFFERING

There are ways to continue to give of your gifts to our shared work at Mount Olive during this time apart. The Olive Branch has suggested ways both electronic and by mail. See:

<https://www.mountolivechurch.org/resources/olive-branch-newsletter/>

Sending

BLESSING

*Response: **Amen***

SENDING HYMN: ELW 389, “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

Sung at Mount Olive on the Fifth Sunday of Easter, year C, April 24, 2016.

DISMISSAL *The assisting minister leads the dismissal.*

☞ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☞ **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

☞ Go in peace. Share the Good News!

☞ **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE: "Chant de Paix"

Jean Langlais

Recorded at Mount Olive on April 15, 2021.



In Our Prayers

- *Please pray throughout the week for the following persons: Susan Cherwien; Julia Adams; Joe & Elizabeth Beissel, Charlotte Erlandson; Nancy Flatgard; Leila Froehlich; Leanna Kloempken; Mary Lee; Carla Manuel; Lisa Nordeen; Jerry Ostlund; Evelyn Royce; Pariann Schenk; James Wilkes; Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Jodi Royce, daughter of Julia Adams and daughter-in-law of Evelyn Royce; Kjell Thompson, relative of Nancy Anderson; Tommie and Susie Hunter, Danna Nelson, Jacques, friends of Jim Bargmann; Tom McCarr, friend of Keith Bartz; Sara Brunette, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; Arthur Kaemmer, friend of David Bryce; Randy Caverly and Nancy Stelling, nephew and friend of Marcia & Dan Burow; Lela Frazier, sister of Irene Campbell; Klarrisa Ramirez, friend of Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; Greg Eklund, son of Harry & Jeanette Eklund; Susan Bary, friend of Judy Graves; Dolores & David G. Gutierrez, Sr., Chris and David Gutierrez, Jr., parents and brothers of Consuelo Gutierrez-Crosby; Carol Halter (missionary in Hong Kong), friend of Eunice Hafemeister; Lynn Kernkamp, friend of Peggy Hoeft; Tami Huisinga, relative of Wes Huisinga; Craig Cunningham, brother-in-law of Brian Jacobs; Bob Adamson, relative of Jerry Jones & Robbie Ross; Nicole Sanders, Ann Clark, friend of Mary Rose Kaliher; Danielle Pitzen, friend of Ellen Kormanik; Barbara Dahl, sister of Carla Manuel; Dani Olson, Harper Linquist, Steve Camper, relatives and friend of Julie Manuel; Ellen Katsoulis, friend of Carol Martinson; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Martha Johnson, sister of Rhoda Nelson and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Janet Freeburg, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Michael Waechter, friend of Rod & Connie Olson; Kathleen Austad, sister of Jerry Ostlund; Jay Heffern, friend of Gary Pagel; Eileen LaFontaine and Vince & Janine DeLusia, friends of Cynthia Prosek; Kathryn Glick, aunt/godmother of Kathy Thurston; Sue Smith and Steve Swanson, friend of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Rudd Rayfield, Jolie Meshbesher Hassler, Katelyn Bowden, Cindy Williams, father and friends of Robin Rayfield; Leila Jeffers, mother of Lynn and Lisa Ruff; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; Carrie, friend of Paul & Melissa Stone; Peg Boyle, mother of Amy Thompson; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Andrew Wiechman, son of Grace Wiechman; BJ Wilkes, Joshua Wilkes, LaTrell Wilke, Julius Underwood, and Lonnell Wilkes, son, nephews, grandson and brother of James Wilkes; Sandra Dycus, Becky Groska, Diane Ristrom, Cathy Reid, Karen Swanson, Patrick Clark, Annie Hose-Ryan, Marcia Van Gorden, Thom Morrissey, friends and brother-in-law of Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Anne-Marie Lundberg, cousin of Eric Zander, Tommie & Susie Hunter; Barbara C. Johnson, friends of Mount Olive.*
- ***For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:*** Ann Bruggeman, Linda Hafemeister, Michael Lansing, Julia Adams, Jeffrey Brown, Celia Ellingson, Dixie Berg, Mary Crippen, and Daniel Hellerich.

- **Prayers for all in the health care system here and around the world** who put their lives at risk to care for those infected with COVID 19 and caring for all others who are ill as well.
- **Our continual prayers are offered for peace:** We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders and peoples, especially for those who work overseas toward peace: Solveig & Philip, daughter and son-in-law of Karen Johnson; and Tyson Crosby, relative of the Crosby family.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**

April 19: *Olavus Petri, priest, died 1552; Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1573; renewers of the church* – These two brothers studied with Luther at the University of Wittenberg and then returned to their native Sweden to introduce the Lutheran reforms. Olavus published a catechism and hymnal; Laurentius was a professor who defended the office of bishop and later became one.

April 21: *St. Anselm, Bishop of Canterbury, died 1109* – This eleventh-century monk was one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages. He is remembered for emphasizing the maternal aspects of God, and for the theory that the Son of God became human in order to make the necessary payment for our sin.

April 23: *Toyohiko Kagawa, renewer of society, died 1960* – Born in Kobe, Japan, Kagawa was orphaned as a young child. Later, when he became Christian, he was disowned by the rest of his family. Wishing to bring Christian principles into society, he worked among poor people, established schools and hospitals, and worked for peace.