



The Church of the Good Shepherd

April 6, 2008- Easter III

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite I)

Welcome to Good Shepherd. Be thoughtful, be silent, and be reverent, for this is the House of God. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

The words of the service come from the red Book of Common Prayer (the "BCP").

Acclamation

B.C.P. p. 323

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

B.C.P. p. 323

Priest Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Summary of the Law

B.C.P. p. 324

Priest: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

The Gloria in Excelsis *in unison*

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Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace,
good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee,

we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: Acts 2:14a,36-41

Peter said to the multitude, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far

away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 116 *Dilexi, quoniam*

- 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!

The Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17-23

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 The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now on that same day two of them 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.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Charles Fels

The Nicene Creed

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**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.

The Prayers of the People (Form I)

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- Leader* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
"Lord, have mercy."
- Leader* For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the
salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* 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.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For the Archbishop of Canterbury, our Presiding Bishop, our Bishop,
all bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,
let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in
them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and
will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick
and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* 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.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the
departed, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation,
let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and
without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
- People** **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

Confession of Sin

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Priest Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Absolution

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Priest Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

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Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Greetings and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION:

Offertory Sentence

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People All things come of thee O Lord. And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

At the offering of the Bread

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all Creation. Through your goodness we have bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life

People: Blessed be God forever

At the offering of the Wine

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all Creation. Through your goodness we have wine to offer, fruit from the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

People: Blessed be God forever

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II)

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Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do

The Proper Preface

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The Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit

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Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to His supper.

Communion of the People

Those who seek Christ's presence at the table of the Lord are invited to come forward and to receive the bread with outstretched hands and to receive the wine either by dipping the wafer in the cup or by drinking the wine directly. Those who also wish to be Anointed with Oil for Healing may fold their hands when the Priest first approaches with the bread.

Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

The Post Communion Thanksgiving

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Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

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The worship is over. The service begins