April 23, 2023

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Voluntary  
Pastorale  
Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens  
(1823-1881)

Welcome  
Rev. Michael P. Barham

Processional Hymn  
That Easter day with joy was bright  
Hymnal 193

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation  
Book of Common Prayer, (BCP) p. 355

Presider  
People  
Alleluia, Christ is risen  
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Beatitudes  
Silence is kept between each Beatitude

Presider  
Let us hear our Lord’s blessing on those who follow him.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,

for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,

for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness,

for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful,

for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,

for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,

for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who suffer persecution for righteousness’ sake,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Gloria

8:00am Spoken  
10:00am Glory to God

BCP, p. 356  
Hymnal S278
Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

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.

The First Lesson

Acts 2.14a, 36-41

Reader A Reading from the book of Acts

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “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.

Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17 Dilexi, quoniam

8:00am We will read the psalm responsively by half-verse
10:00am Listen and pray as the psalm is chanted by the choir

The Epistle Lesson

I Peter 1.17-23

Reader A Reading from I 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 The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn Sing praise to our Creator

Hymnal 295 Stanzas 1 & 2 before; 3 after
Gospel


Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

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.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Michael P. Barham

Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People

BCP p. 387, Form IV

Passing the Peace

BCP p. 360

Announcements

Offertory 8:00am Adantino

10:00am God so loved the world

Franciszek Walczynski

John Goss (1800-1880)
The Great Thanksgiving

The presider and people pray together as indicated

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

8:00am Spoken
10:00am Sung
Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with most holy Mary, blessed Stephen and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

AMEN!

The Lord’s Prayer

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.
Fraction Anthem
8:00am Spoken
10:00am Sung

Receiving Holy Communion
All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
If you would like communion brought to you, please inform an usher.

Communion Anthem 10:00am I believe this is Jesus arr. Undine Moore

Post Communion Prayer
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.

Hymn Christ is alive! Let Christians sing Hymnal 182

Blessing

Choral Benediction 10:00am The Lord bless you and keep you John Rutter

Dismissal Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!! BCP, p. 366
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Voluntary Sortie Alfred Lefébure-Wély (1817-1869)

All are invited to coffee hour in the Parish Hall
St. Stephen’s Calendar of Events

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Serving Today

The Rev Michael P. Barham, Presider
Rev. Cal Tucker, Assisting

8am Patty Battersby, Lay Eucharistic Minister, Tyler Rust, Lector
10am Jan Spieth, Lay Eucharistic Minister, Peggy Greene, Lector

The Chancel Choir
Michael Langham, Director of Music

St. Stephen’s Vestry

Maria Hjelm, Senior Warden
Kathy Andree-Rissel, Secretary
Maggie Boscoe, Clerk
Mike O’Brien, Junior Warden
Bryon Sheets, Treasurer

Brad Barber, Elizabeth Caldwell, Scott Fife, Julie Gutzwiller,
Mindy Hall, Stephanie Hesse, John Hunt, Janet Maimone

Church Staff

Elizabeth Haughey, Finance Manager
Tracie Nelson, Sunday School Coordinator

Michael Langham, Music Director/Parish Administrator
Raj Velu, Sexton

Prayer Requests

• Rosemary Gomer
  • The repose of the soul of Paul Bennett
  • The repose of the soul of Pauline Kaune
  • The repose of the soul of Janet With

• Laura Seidelmann
  • The repose of the soul of Robert Gledhill
  • The repose of the soul of The Rev. Tom Trutner
  • The repose of the soul of Phil Jelley

Parish Retreat

April 28-30, 2023 at Retreat at Bishop’s Ranch

Please join us next weekend for fellowship, rest, renewal and fun at Bishop’s Ranch, the Episcopal retreat center in Healdsburg. We will come together in conversation, over wine and food, on hikes, in activities for kids and in a Sunday worship service. All meals included, except Friday night which will be a BBQ and potluck. Many folks will choose to come AFTER Father Tom Trutner’s memorial service on Saturday, April 29.

Questions, Sign-Up or Need a ride?
Contact: Maria Hjelm, 925-457-1500 or Julie Gutzwiller, 925-457-7892

Cost per person:
$350 for two nights  •  $225 for Saturday night only.  •  Kids are free!
1 That Easter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, when, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.
2 His risen flesh with radiance glowed; his wounds ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their solemn witness gave that Christ was risen from the grave.
3 O Jesus, King of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess that we may give thee all our days the willing tribute of our praise.
4 O Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Easter-tide; from every weapon death can wield thine own redeemed for ever shield.
5 All praise, O risen Lord, we give to thee, who, dead, again dost live; to God the Father equal praise, and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.
Glory to God

Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal S278

1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

3. 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;

4. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

5. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

6. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

 Amen.
Sing praise to our Creator, O you of Adam's race—
To Jesus Christ give glory, God's co-e-ternal Son;
And praise the Holy Spirit poured forth upon the earth;
God's children by adoption, baptized into his grace.
as members of his Body we live in him as one.
who sanctifies and guides us, made strong in our rebirth.
Recessional Hymn

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Hymnal 182

1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.
2. Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, he comes to claim the here and now and conquer every place and time.
3. Not throned above, remotely high, untouched, un moved by human pains, but daily, in the midst of life, our Savior with the Father reigns.
4. In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn or wealth divide, he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.
5. Christ is alive! His Spirit burns through this and every future age, till all creation lives and learns his joy, his justice, love, and praise.
Memorial Service
The Rev Tom Trutner
The memorial service for Rev. Tom Trutner will be held on Saturday, April 29, at 11am at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church (LOPC), at 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. A lunch reception will follow in the fellowship hall next to the church. All members are invited, and due to the large number of guests expected, the family would like everyone attending to please R.S.V.P to the email of Shannon Eng with all attendee names to help with planning. Please also indicate your attendance at both the service and reception or service only. Please email your RSVP to Shannon Eng: shannonreng@gmail.com. If anyone has questions about the service or reception, feel free to contact, Louise Severy, 925-360-6756 or Louise.severy@gmail.com.

Children's Ministry
This week in Sunday School we will talk about what it means to have integrity. What kind of challenges will we face when trying to live with integrity? Our discussion will reveal that living with integrity is possible when we live by God's principles.

   Search me O God and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts. Psalm 139:23

Snacks and crafts and lots of fun!

- - - Vacation Bible School - - -
June 19-22 • 9:00am – 12:15pm
Registration forms are in the parish hall and the church office.

Bread Ministry seeks bakers
Bakers are needed to add to the team. Recipe and tutorial (if needed) provided. Some experience with “quick” breads helpful but not necessary. Baker needs a mixer with a dough hook. If you have questions or are interested, please contact Peggy Greene, mkgreene@att.net.

Music Notes
CONTRA COSTA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
RE-SCHEDULED
Sunday, May 21 • 4:00pm
Join us for an afternoon of thrilling music, including the performance of a piece by bay area composer, Anthony Doherty. Tickets available at: Contracostachamberorchestra.org, or at door.

Service Outreach
Mother’s Day is Babies Day
Here’s a fun Outreach project helping families who visit Bay Area Crisis Nursery (BACN) in Concord. BACN coordinates a food pantry, a diaper bank, and a free used clothing boutique, as well as helping families in crisis by providing free emergency childcare for a full day or just a few hours, up to 60 days in a year. Everything children need during the day - food, formula, diapers, and extra clothing - is provided by BACN, freeing parents to focus on resolving their emergency. This program can be especially important for families caring for children with developmental disabilities and behavioral challenges.

Get involved by filling a colorful bag from the Outreach area in the Parish Hall. Your gifts will be delivered in time for Mothers’ Day, Sunday May 14.

Another way to participate is to buy a latte from the Youth Group, or donate to BACN through St. Stephen’s. Learn more at bayareacrisisnursery.org or ask Betsy Donnelly. Thank you!

Publication Deadline
All information to be included in the weekly e-mail newsletter and this announcement sheet must be in by Tuesday at 5:00pm, to Michael@StStephensOrinda.org