

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018
10:55 a.m.

We Gather as the Church

PRELUDE

WELCOME and PARISH NOTICES

We Celebrate God's Presence

*GREETING

Come with your doubts and fears.

This is scary

Call on God who will answer you.

God is hard to hear these days..

Come to the one who will give your souls peace.

It is so hard to believe.

Come claim your identity as beloved children of God.

We come, uncertain, but longing to hear God speak to us this morning.

*ENTRANCE HYMN.....**308**

Thine Be the Glory.....Judas Maccabeus

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*The Apostles' Creed***881**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; On the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

*GLORIA PATRI.....*Greatorex*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

We Celebrate Through God's Word

*PSALTER.....*Psalm 4*.....**741**

NEW COVENANT.....*Acts 3:12-19*.....Pew Bible **949**

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Call to Prayer

Time of Silence

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory.....Chancel Choir

This is My Father's World.....Mary McDonald

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears

All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought

Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise;

The morning light, the lily white declare their Maker's praise!

This is my Father's world, he shines in all that's fair;

In the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget

That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world, the battle is not done;

Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one. Amen.

*Doxology.....*Lasst uns Erfreuen*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*HYMN.....**172**

My Jesus, I Love thee.....Gordon

EPISTLE LESSON.....***I John 3:1-7***.....Pew Bible **1066**

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SERMON.....Rev. Dr. Sarah B. Kalish

"Favorite Child"

We Celebrate Through Our Response

*HYMN.....**318**

Christ is Alive.....Truro

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

*RESPONSE.....***Choir and Congregation***

The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord make his face

to shine on you and be gracious, gracious.

The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord lift his countenance

on you and give peace, give you peace. Shalom. Shalom.

*CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

*POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing as you are able.*

Assisting in Worship

Acolyte: David Tamura

Lay Reader: Cory Smith

Ushers: Elwood Greene, John Crawford

Jeff Crawford, Eric Forbes

Greeters: Minnie Lee Moore, Lucy Little

Selene Hardison

Music Director: Emily Privette

Organist: Gus Farmer

Money Stewards: Carol Beam, Barry James