

*Then he opened their minds
so they could understand
the Scriptures*
Luke 24:45

Sunday, April 14, 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter

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Worship Plan for Sunday, April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

LBW Setting Two without Communion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we

have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!* (LBW 144)

GREETING (LBW p. 78)

KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 79)

Glory to God in the highest

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Acts 3:12-19

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?"¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

⁴Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

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

⁶ **Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.**

⁷ You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

⁸ **I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 3:1-7

¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. ⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

JESUS LOVES ME AND CHILDREN’S SERMON

VERSE (LBW p. 83)

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

^{36b} Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?”

⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON “A Real Savior for Real Sinners”

HYMN OF THE DAY *As We Gather at Your Table* (page 7 in bulletin)

APOSTLE’S CREED (LBW p. 85)

THE PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN *Let the Vineyards...*

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.

Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BLESSING (LBW p. 97)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Three Fold Amen (Sung)

SENDING HYMN *Low in the Grave He Lay* (bulletin insert)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

Yes we will. Thanks be to God.

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APRIL NOISY CAN

Baltic: The Table Ministry

East: CASA

Our Response to God's Love

Baltic: Apr 7: Attendance 70; General Fund \$2356.00 Noisy Can \$37.89

East: Apr 7: Attendance 37; General Fund \$1230.00 Noisy Can \$44.79

Easter Offering \$20.00

As We Gather at Your Table

1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
 2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
 send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
 where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
 Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
 There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
 may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
 as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

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Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenliedjes en Contradanssen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932

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Baltic

9am Worship

10:30 am Worship and Livestreamed on Facebook

East Nidaros

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Things Happening Week of April 14th

Mon Apr 15

6:30pm Bible Study in Baltic

Tue Apr 16

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Wed Apr 17

6:30 8th Confirmation at East

7:30 7th Confirmation at East

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Baltic

9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @

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East Nidaros

10:30 Worship

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

BALTIC:

Apr 14 Sue Aldrich

Tammy & Todd Park

EAST:

April 14 Mark Brobjorg

& 21 Janet Leffring & Larry

Hemmer

BALTIC:

Apr 21 Gaila Schreurs

& 28 Tracy & Cameron Kerkhove

EAST:

Apr 28 Ginger Lodmell-Tekrony

May 5 Dan & Cindi Schmidt

Spread the word! **East Nidaros's WELCA meeting** will be held Sunday April 21 starting promptly at 9:15. Please bring your ideas and suggestions. We will be deciding where our donations will be sent this year and reviewing our goals for 2024.

Karen Doom, President