



A Liturgy of the Word - Third Sunday of Easter

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The full service or the sermon can be viewed on the website.

Processional Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all.
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and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all.
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and crown him Lord of all!

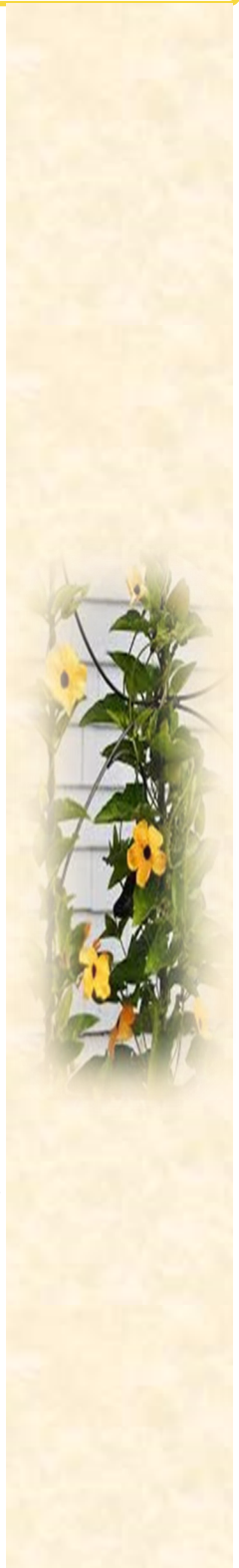
O, that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.
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and crown him Lord of all.

Psalter Hymnal (Gray), 1987

Call to Worship

We have a message to preach to all.
Christ is risen.

Christ lived and preached love and liberation among us.
We are witnesses to his mighty acts.





Christ rose from the dead and appears to us still.

We rejoice in the living Saviour.

Come; let us worship the God of love and life.

Introductory Rite

Alleluia Christ is risen

He is risen indeed, Alleluia

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Praise the Lord:

Praise God, you servants of the Lord.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessed be God's Name, now and forever.

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to God's people on earth.**

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

**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;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One
you alone are the Lord
you alone are the Most High
Jesus Christ
with the Holy Spirit
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

Collect for Purity

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleans 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 Christ our Lord.**

The Kyrie

**Morena re hauhele, u re hauhele
Morena re hauhele, re hauhele**

**Kriste re hauhele, u re hauhele
Kriste re hauhele, re hauhele**

**Morena re hauhele, u re hauhele
Morena re hauhele, re hauhele**

The Penitence

Gracious God, today in scripture we were reminded that if we say we have no sin, we are not being truthful with ourselves. So, in silence we reflect on our sin and seek Your forgiveness

Let us confess together.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father
in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you
through our own fault
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your Name.**

Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you:
pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

**Risen Christ,
you revealed yourself to the disciples
and calmed their fears:
meet us in our uncertainties
and walk with us into the new life you
bring;
for you live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**





The Word of God

Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4

1 John 3:1-7

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alle—luia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu—ia

Speak o Lord your servant is listening

You have the words of everlasting life

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alle—luia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu—ia

Gospel Reading

Luke 24: 36b-48

The Sermon

By Rev. Allie. Josseph

Affirmation of Faith

**I believe in God, the Father almighty
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit

And born of the Virgin Mary.

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come to judge the living 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. Amen





Prayers of Intercession

Lord our God, we pray for all people who make up your church, both leaders and congregations. We pray for our Archbishop Thabo as he leads the province of Southern Africa. We pray for him and all the bishops here in the local church, that they be renewed in their proclamation of the Easter message. Help and guide the leaders of our Church as you helped your disciples at the beginning of their mission. We pray for unity among all people of faith throughout the world that they may respect one another and celebrate what they have in common.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Risen Lord, we pray for people who are suffering because of humanity's lack of love and generosity. We pray for people who are persecuted because of their faith. For our brothers and sisters who are dying of hunger and disease. May leaders everywhere, work for the alleviation of poverty and discrimination. Risen Lord we pray for the leaders of the world, that they be moved into action on the part of the least of your brothers and sisters.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Lord of love, we pray for all who suffer in mind or body and for those who care for them. We pray for the sick; for those who mourn; for those without faith, hope or love. We pray for our family and friends whom we know are in special need of our prayers at this time. We remember them now and we pray that your kingdom come and that your mercy be enough for all of us.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Lord Jesus, you remind your disciples that they are to preach the Good News and be your witnesses through all the world. We pray for our spiritual community here at St Michael's, that we may be encouraged and infused with new strength and creative ways in which to be witnesses and spreaders of the Good News in our time. Make us into a spiritual dwelling and beacon of hope. Be with each and every member of this congregation, our friends and supporters and bless us with your presence in our common life.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Lord we pray for a renewal of the spirit of Easter, may the hearts of your faithful be re-ignited with the light of the new life of Christ. May we come to a new understanding of why you had to suffer and die, why you had to go down into the tomb and overcome darkness and sin, so we can proclaim Alleluia Christ is risen, He has risen indeed. Despite all we are going through, fill us with hope and make us witnesses of your resurrection.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Risen Christ, the light of the world, in the light of the new Paschal candle that reminds us of your eternal light, we remember before our heavenly Father those who have died during these last weeks and we remind you of them, you who created them and called them unto yourself. You who turn our darkness into light and make us into messengers of hope, bring us peace and speak light and love into our lives. May the souls of our faithful departed rest in your eternal peace.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Merciful God accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**



Prayer for Offering

Father, truly, we are your servants. In you, we live and move and have our being. We offer you our thanksgiving and call on your name. We love you, Lord, for you hear us and respond in graciousness and compassion and righteousness. You deliver our souls from death, our feet from stumbling, and our eyes from tears. Now receive our tithes and offerings, we pray. Bless and multiply them so that your work and word can go forth. In the name of Christ our Lord. **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 them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our mouths are full of songs of praise,
Lord of life, for You meet our every need.
In you our hunger is fed. Our thirst is quenched.
Your in-dwelling in the whole of life
inspires our thoughts and encourages the gifts within each of us
to be used for the glory of Your kingdom.
Your risen presence provides the sustenance
our inner spirits crave.
We meet You in the relationships we form,
as You call our hidden skills and talents to the fore
so that they speak of You and Your love for all creation.
In all we do, may we reveal Your presence,
as we discover old and new ways
of being Christ's people.
AMEN.

Final Blessing

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The love of the Lord Jesus
draw you to himself;





the power of the Lord Jesus
strengthen you in his service;
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Be among you and remain with you,
Now and forever more. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.
In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia. Alleluia

Recessional Hymn

1. We have a gospel to proclaim
Good news for men in all the earth;
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

2. Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,
Not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim:
The Word made flesh, a light for all.

3. Tell of His death at Calvary,
Hated by those He came to save;
In lonely suffering on the cross
For all He loved, His life He gave.

4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
Empty the tomb, for He was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
That we might share His victory.

5. Tell of His reign at God's right hand,
By all creation glorified;
He sends His Spirit on His Church
To live for Him, the Lamb who died.

6. Now we rejoice to name Him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel message we proclaim:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

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