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*Confirmation*

**Confirmation Sunday**

**The Third Sunday of Easter**

April 23, 2023

10:00 am

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton  
The Very Rev. Mark Delcuze, Rector  
Dr. Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music  
Jane Ford, Family Ministry Coordinator  
Brenda Faulkner, Parish Administrator

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
The Word of God

Prelude

“Festive Trumpet Tune”

German

Welcome

The Very Rev. Mark S. Delcuze

+Processional Hymn

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. \_\_\_\_\_  
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. \_\_\_\_\_  
The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. \_\_\_\_\_  
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows. \_\_\_\_\_



Em-braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; \_\_\_\_\_  
Re-born we share with him an Eas - ter life. \_\_\_\_\_  
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. \_\_\_\_\_



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. \_\_\_\_\_  
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le -  
Bap-tized we live with God the Three in One. \_\_\_\_\_  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing. \_\_\_\_\_



lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

## +Greeting

*Celebrant*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The Bishop then continues*

*People*

There is one Body and one Spirit;

**There is one hope in God's call to us;**

*Bishop*

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People*

**One God and Father of all.**

*Bishop*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Bishop*

Let us pray.

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 2:14, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the multitude, "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

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

*Read responsively by verse.*

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**

# Sequence Hymn

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing, His cross stands  
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -  
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,  
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the  
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the  
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet  
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.  
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.  
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.  
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.  
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

## +The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

*Celebrant*  
*People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Luke  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ**

On the first day of the week, two of Jesus' followers 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.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

**The Homily**

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray

## Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

*The Bishop says*

The Candidates will now be presented.

*Presenters*

I present these persons for Confirmation:

**Brooke Calhoun, Elizabeth Fehrenbacher, Jane Ford, Alesia Grier,  
Myles Harmon, Reagan Hohman, Kai Moore, Emily Schaefer,  
Katherine Schaefer, Isabelle Slavin**

I present these persons to be received into this Communion:

**Barry Deemer, Suzanne Eaton, Dave Ellwood, Helen Ellwood, Sandra  
Fox, Donna Guilford, Susan Hogan, David Lee, Dorothy Ruth, Cheryl  
Valentine**

*Then the Bishop asks the Candidates*

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

*Candidates*

I do.

*Bishop*

Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Candidates*

I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

*Then the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to  
support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People*

**We will.**

*The Bishop then says these or similar words*

Let us join with those who are committing themselves  
to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### **+The Baptismal Covenant**

*Bishop*

Do you believe in God the Father?

*People*

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

*Bishop*

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People*

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

**He was conceived by the power of 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 again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Bishop*  
*People*

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Bishop*  
*People*

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the Prayers?  
**I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop*  
*People*

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever  
you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?  
**I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop*  
*People*

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good  
News of God in Christ?  
**I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop*  
*People*

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving  
your neighbor as yourself?  
**I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop*  
*People*

Will you strive for justice and peace among all  
people, and respect the dignity of every human being?  
**I will, with God's help.**

## Prayers for the Candidates

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for *these persons* who *have* renewed *their* commitment to Christ.

*Leader* Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Then the Bishop says*

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## For Confirmation

*The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says*

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

## For Reception

*N.*, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

*Then the Bishop says*

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over *these* your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with *them*, and so lead *them* in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that *they* may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## +The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory Anthem

“To the Lamb on the Throne”

Forrest

Worthy the Lamb.

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, And publish abroad His wonderful name;  
the name all victorious of Jesus extol; His Kingdom is glorious and rules overall.

“Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!” Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;  
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, Fall down on their faces and worship the  
Lamb.

God rules in the height, almighty to save: Though hid from our sight, His presence  
we have.

The great congregation His triumph shall sing, Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Then let us adore and give Him His right, All glory and power, all wisdom and might;  
All honor and blessing with angels above, And thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

*(text: Charles Wesley)*

## +Offertory Response

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low: Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly  
Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

# +The Great Thanksgiving

# Eucharistic Prayer B

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

### **+Fraction Anthem**

*Choir only: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**All:**

*Final Antiphon*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*The Celebrant then says the following*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**Communion Anthem**

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Baloche

**+Post-Communion Prayer**

*After Communion the Bishop says*

Let us pray

*Bishop and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**+Blessing**

*The Bishop blesses the people.*

**Announcements**

+Recessional Hymn

“Lord, I lift Your Name on High”

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Lord, I lift your name on high;



Lord, I love to sing your prais - es.



I'm so glad you're in my life;



I'm so glad you came to save us.



You came from heav - en to earth \_ to show the way, \_



\_ from the earth \_ to the cross \_ my debt to pay; \_



\_ from the cross to the grave, \_ from the grave to the sky; \_



\_ Lord, I lift your name on high.

**+Dismissal**

*The Priest dismisses the congregation with these words*

*People*                    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**+Postlude**

“Ellacombe (The Day of Resurrection)”

Kerr

Thank you to our musicians for this morning’s service:  
Dave Hasek (organ), Rudy Lukacovic (drums), Kate Fachel (flute),  
Warren Prender (trumpet), Goldey Vansant (bass), and our Parish Choir.

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## Serving Today

**Eucharistic Minister:** Bob Rosekrans, Leslie Schneider

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