

GARROWBY BENEFICE



The Third Sunday of Easter
A Service of the Word

Opening Music: Monastic Bell and Come Holy Ghost

WELCOME

Alleluia Christ is risen

ALL He is risen indeed. Alleluia

O Lord, open our eyes to your presence
Open our minds to your grace
Open our lips to your praises
Open our hearts to your love
Open our lives to your healing

All And be found among us. Amen (David Adam)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We come seeking forgiveness for all that we have failed to be and do as members of Christ's body.

Silence

In God there is forgiveness

**All Loving and all seeing God, forgive us
Where we have fallen short of your image in us
Where we have failed to support one another
And be what we claim to be
Where we have failed to serve you
Where our thoughts and actions fail to reflect your love, we ask your
pardon**

God forgives us, be at Peace

Silence

Rejoice and be glad for Christ is the resurrection,
And offers reconciliation for the whole human race

**All We shall be one in Christ, one in our life together.
Praise to God who has created us, accepted us,
And who sends us into the world**

THE COLLECT

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give to us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Ministry of the Word

As we prepare to explore God's word let us pray together

All May God guide each of us in the way of Christ, whatever our age or experience. May the love of God speak to us all

New testament reading is from Acts 2 14a: 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:

Therefore 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.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn: Will you come and follow me?

The Gospel

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 21 1-19

All Glory to you O Lord

Now on that same day two of them 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.

This is the gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

Hymn: He will hold me fast

THE CREED

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**All Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION ending with The Lord's Prayer

All Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in 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 commitment

All Living one, creator and lover of the world, we offer our lives to you this day and our life together in you.
Accept us as we are, with all our stumbling and all our courage.
Guide us into what you would have us be. And in the power of the spirit enable us to be a sign of your presence in the world.
In the name of Jesus your living son. Amen.

BLESSING

The blessing of God, ground of being, bread of life and spirit of peace
Rest upon you and all whom you love, both living and departed
Now and always

All Amen

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen

Closing Music: Pie Jesus