

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

9AM Family Holy Eucharist,

The words of the liturgy and music are projected on the east wall.

Processional Song

Opening Sentences,

Book of Common Prayer 355

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect of the Day

A Reading / Psalm

Song

The Gospel

Sharing the Good News

The Creed

The Prayers

The Confession & Absolution

The Peace BCP 360

Welcome & Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving:

The Lord's Prayer BCP364

The Breaking of the Bread

The Administration

Communion Song

Postcommunion Prayer BCP 365

The Blessing

Song for the Procession Out

The Dismissal BCP366

11:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Procession In The Day of Resurrection Hymnal 210

The Opening Sentences The Book of Common Prayer 355

Song of Praise The Gloria Hymnal S278 BCP 355

The Collect of the Day

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 3:12-19

Note: This is the first healing by the disciples in the book of Acts. But they are quick to point out it was not their accomplishment. It was the faith which Christ planted in the person healed. When have you found a strength which you didn't think you were capable of? How did it happen? When did you realize it?

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? The 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. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And 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.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all

the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

The Psalm 4

Note: The source of our peace is in God. The world reveals its turmoil and many are ready to point out the uncertainty of the times. Only in God can we rest in hope. What are your worries around you? How do they compare with the constant love of God?

- 1 Answer 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?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, 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.

The Epistle: 1 John 3:1-7

Note: This portion of the letter speaks about how little we know ourselves. We are constant in self-delusion, reinforced by the words of others. Only in those who truly love us can we discover something of who we are. Only in God will we be perfectly revealed as his beloved children.

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. 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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Sequence Hymn Just As I Am Hymnal 693

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

Note: This passage directly follows the story of the two disciples Jesus meets on the road to Emmaus. Here the community is gathered to be Christ's witnesses and to receive his commission.

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were

seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 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." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then 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." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

The Homily The Rev. James B. Sutler
Followed by silence for reflection

The Nicene Creed standing BCP 358

The Prayers of the People kneeling or standing
Greetings and Announcements

The Confession of Sin BCP 359
The Peace standing BCP 360

THE HOLY COMMUNION
The Offertory A Beautiful Land Choir
The Doxology standing Hymnal 380 v.3

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer B BCP 367

The Sursum Corda
The Sanctus Hymnal S125

The Canon kneeling or standing.

THE GREAT AMEN, BCP 368

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

Choir Anthem We Walk By Faith Hymnal 209

Post Communion Prayer kneeling or standing BCP 365

Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

Priest: On behalf of this congregation, I give you these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We send you forth with the body and blood of Christ.

Processional Hymn: At the Lamb's High Feast Hymnal 174

The Dismissal Response BCP 366

Thanks be to God.

PRAY FOR...

Our Parish Family, especially

✠ **JOAN C., SUSAN, DAVID, JAMIE, MIKE S., WAYNE, JOAN IMMKE & FAMILY, TONY, DALE, BOBBY, AL, JEAN, JULIA, HUBIE, MABRY FAMILY, ANNA MARIE, AMANDA, ROBIN, KIM, TED, FRED, REBA, JOHN D., SCOTT, MARTI, FRAN, DAKOTA, DEACON JUDITH, MARGARET C. & JOSEPH.**

✠ **FR. JAMIE.**

✠ **THE MINISTRIES OF ST. CLEMENT'S.**

✠ **HEIDI AND RUSS,** missionaries to Chile.

Those in the Armed Forces, especially

✠ **MARNYCE, JERRY, NICK, BRANDON, MAGGIE, STEPHEN, JAKE, ROSE, DAVID, NOAH, KEVIN, NATHAN, JACKSON & NATHAN K.**

Others needing Intercessory Prayer:

✠ **HEALING: HILARY, GRIFFEN, JOHN, JIM, COURTNEY, SHONDA, DIANE, SANDRA, BEVERLY, DAN, DON, MARTHA, PAM, CHUCK, MICHELLE, TROY, MICHELLE, KATHLEEN, STEVE, JAN, ANDY, ORSON, SHI SHI, PAPA RED, MAX, PATTI, PATTY, JUSTIN, ADRIAN, MICHAEL, ANN, TED, ROBIN, DEVENA, MARY, TOM, THE PEOPLE OF MAUI, ELVIE, AMY, BETTY, HEATHER, WANDA, PAIGE, GAYLE, AMANDA, MARK, CHRIS, ELIZABETH, ROB, BILL, BRITTANY, SONJA, TOM, FRANK, MOLLY, MAUREEN, LOU, TRAVIS, BRUCE, KRISTI, RAYMOND, GRACE, ED, LESLIE, BILL, LIZ, GARY, GABBY & PAUL.**

✠ **COMFORT: RYAN, PEGGY & FAMILY & KENDRICK & FAMILY.**

✠ **ARBORS: PHYLLIS, MELANIE, DONNA, JOAN, FRAN, LIZ, MARIAN, CAROLE, MISSEY, LOIS, OLGA, ANNE, JOHN, JUDY, BETTY, CAROLINE, MARK, MARY, KATHRINE, ROSE & BOBBY.**

WE GIVE THANKS FOR ALL OUR BLESSINGS.

Please take the bulletin home and pray for these concerns during the week.

Those from the parish family & intercessory prayer list remain on the list for two months and then are deleted unless notification is given to extend, update re condition, or delete sooner because special prayers are no longer needed. Those in the armed forces remain for one year with the same conditions as above. Notice may be given to Carlotta Ford at the Ministry Center, 770-345-6722 Prayer request cards are in the church pews, or requests can be made by calling Carlotta. Please email or call Trish Cole (770-377-4348) to update your prayer requests.

The Faith of Doubt

Doubt is not the opposite of faith. Doubt, in fact, is probably a necessary ingredient to faith. Faith, by definition, is trust *in spite of* a lack of evidence. Faith is not knowledge. Faith is more tension-filled. It is *acting as if* something is true even when you have no proof that it is.

Which means that when we talk about the "gathering of the faithful," we're not talking about the gathering of those who's faith/knowledge is absolute or certain or bedrock. We're talking about those people who have all kinds of questions and doubts but still find joy and wonder in this message of good news about new life. Or maybe who *want* to find joy and wonder, haven't yet, but keeping coming because of their hope.

If you don't have at least some difficulty believing the promise that God not only raised one person, Jesus, from the dead, but also promises new life and second chances and forgiveness and grace to all, then you're probably not paying attention.

But if it's true that God raised Jesus from the dead... If it's true that God promises to renew the whole creation and grant us new life... If it's true that nothing – nothing we've done or has been done to us – can separate us from the love of God... If it's true that God will not turn God's back on any of us but always reaches out to us in grace, mercy, and forgiveness... If *any* of this – let alone *all* of this – is true, then how might we live our lives this week differently? How might this faith – not knowledge, but trusting, courageous faith – change how we look at our relationships, and our politics, and our work, and our resources, and our future?

And if takes a little time to let all this sink in, to come to active trust and faith that these promises are true, well, then let's keep in mind that we're in good company. Jesus' first disciples struggled with all this as well.

-David Lose

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Daughters of the King

Today 1:00 pm Davis Hall to discuss Faith Moves Mountains by Harris Faulkner. Contact Trish Cole trishcole4@gmail.com

Tuesday Bible Study

1:30-2:30pm in Davis Hall: "The Lord's Prayer"

Servers Needed

Volunteers are urgently needed in order to fully staff our 11:00am service with acolytes, LEMs and readers. Each volunteer receives complete written instructions for their role(s) as well as coaching and hands-on practice before being assigned. Every effort is made to make it a comfortable and fulfilling worship experience, and to limit participation to twice a month or less. Please call or text Jeff Pawlik (314.629.6183) for more information.

Centering Prayer:

Information regarding the program can be found in the brochures in the narthex. If interested contact Fr. Jamie (770) 324-2035 or Diane Hodgins (850) 339-8540

Episcopal Church Women

4/22 7pm in Davis Hall. Regular meetings are the third Monday of the month. The annual retreat at Camp Mikell will be May 3-5. Contact Wanda Carr wandakiddcarr@gmail.com.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors Ministry:

5/7 meeting scheduled at 10:30 a.m. in Davis Hall. We will complete our discussion of the book, "Crucial Conversations." If you or someone you know would like to use this service, please contact either Fr. Jamie (770-324-2035) or Diane Hodgins (850-339-8540).. The next meeintg

Book Club

5/13 1:30 p.m. Davis Hall to discuss **The Villa** by Rachel Hawkins., June is **The Things We Cannot Say** by Kelly Rimmer, July is **The Personal Librarian** by Marie Benedict and is August **The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post** by Alison Pataki. Contact: Sallee Macknik sallee_m@yahoo.com or (770) 714-6340

Women's Group/Inbetweeners:

5/14 11:00 a.m. J. Christopher's, 1437 Riverstone Pkwy, Canton. Susan Gensel is leading contact: hickoryfarms@comcast.net

The Altar Guild has dates available on the flower chart if you have someone or something special you would like to commemorate. The chart is in the notebook in the narthex and cost is \$50. Please

The Rev. Dr. James B. Stutler, *rector*
770-324-2035
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The Men's Group

Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. (IHOP, 3010 Northside Parkway, Canton)
Contact: stclementsmensgroup@gmail.com.

Rector's Bible Study

Every Wednesday at noon via Zoom currently studying Stories of the Resurrection. Contact the office for the link.

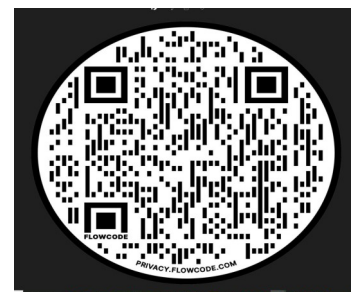
Wednesday Evening Bible Study

7pm, after the Supper in Davis Hall. We are currently using the book Pew Sisters for our study. It's not too late to join!

Online Giving available through our website www.stclementscanton.org or by the Vanco app on your smart phone.

If you have an item you would like included in the newsletter or bulletin, please submit it to the office no later than 2:00pm on Thursdays.

Scan to visit our website for more information.



Serving Today:
VPOD: Katie McDonald
Crucifer: Dell Lyons
LEM: Doug Blackburn
Reader: Al Irvine
Teller: Jamie Lyons



Anniversaries this week:
Fr. Jamie & Melissa Stutler
4/14
Tom & Sandy Carlson 4/15



Birthdays this week:
Danette Schilling 4/17
Jim Barre 4/20
Nat Copenhaver 4/20
Sharon Mackenzie 4/20

TREASURER'S SUMMARY
as of February 2024

Pledges YTD	\$44,893.56
Total Income	\$80,603.11
Total Expenses	\$72,148.47



April 14, 2024
The Third Sunday of Easter

You are witnesses
of these things.

Welcome Visitors!

If you are visiting for the first time, let us know you are here by filling out a visitor's card and ask an usher about a gift we have for you in the narthex (foyer).

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY SERVICES //9 a.m. Contemporary //11 a.m. Traditional

MONDAY
Morning Prayer (online) // 9:00am
Grief Share // 3:00pm

THURSDAY
Centering Prayer // 1:00pm
Path to Shine // 1:40pm
Canton AL-Anon // 7:00pm.

TUESDAY
Men's Group, IHOP // 11:30am
Alcoholics Anonymous // 8:00pm.

FRIDAY
Morning Prayer (online) // 9:00am.
Holy Eucharist @ The Arbors // 10:00am
Women's AA// 12:00 noon

WEDNESDAY
Morning Prayer (online) // 9:00am.
Women's AA // 12:00pm.
Rector's Zoom Bible Study // 12:00pm
Holy Eucharist// 6:15pm
Meal // 6:40pm
EYC // 7:00pm
Bible Study // 7:00pm

The Altar Flowers today are given by
The Immke family to the Glory of God and in
Loving Memory of their Grandson Christopher Martin.

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