

CHRIST *Episcopal* CHURCH
WARREN - OHIO



Sunday, April 26, 2020

10:00 AM

Third Sunday of Easter

The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth Jr. – Bishop of Ohio

THE REV. J. JEFFREY BAKER, RECTOR

Please refer to the books in the pews:
BCP=Red Prayer Book, H=Blue Hymnal, WLP=Green Book

Children are welcome to join Paul Keriotis for “Godly Play”, our CEC Sunday School program at the start of our 10:00 service.

Prelude—

AT THE PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR

Processional Hymn 180

UNSER HERRSCHER

He is risen, he is risen!

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise S 280—Glory to God in the highest

Powell

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says

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 WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament

Acts 2:14a,36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “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.

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

Dilexi, quoniam

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 209

ST. BOTOLPH

We walk by faith and not by sight

The Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples 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.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Fr. Jeff Baker

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: ... we pray

People: Raise us and bless us, O God

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of Christ

Announcements

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Offertory Anthem

Tyler Clark, soloist

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus—S125

Proulx

The Lord's Prayer—traditional language

BCP 364

The Communion of the People

To ALL of our guests: The Episcopal practices the custom of open communion. All baptized Christians are welcome and invited to come to the altar rail for communion. Or, if you would like Communion brought to your pew, please inform an usher. The bread may be consumed and a sip taken from the common cup, or the bread may be held and dipped or intincted in the common cup. If you prefer to just have a blessing, please come to the rail and cross your arms over your chest and the priest will make the sign of the cross on your forehead.

Fraction Anthem—S155

Near

Postcommunion Prayer—Celebrant and People (stand or kneel)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Hymn 208—Jesus Lives! thy terrors now

MOUSLEY

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Lincoln School Pantry: The Lincoln School Pantry is low on food for their students and in great need of non-perishables for their students. If you are able, please pick up some extras during your weekly shopping trip and drop them off at the church. There will be a drop-off box placed under the portico Monday through Friday from 8 to noon. Linda Day will make sure that they are delivered to the school.

Sunday School Godly Play Lessons can be found on our YouTube and Facebook pages.

Pledges: Did you know that you can pay your weekly pledges online? Go to our website and push “donate” on the front page. Your contributions help keep our bills/staff paid and our services filmed.

Warren Family Mission

Weekly deliveries of personal hygiene and food items continue. Last week we were told that during the corona virus shutdown the Mission is not accepting donations of clothing.

Lincoln School Update

Each day at Lincoln School 500 lunches are distributed through curb side pick-up. Lincoln is one of 7 sites operated by the Warren City School system. The total is staggering – 2000 lunches a day system wide. Just think for Lincoln School that means 2,500 a week or 10,000 a month.

It doesn't stop there. The Pantry gives out 150 to 200 bags of food each week now. Each bag provides food for breakfast, lunch and dinner. According to the Community Liaison “the need is increasing A LOT.

Everyone is struggling due to the virus. A lot of people aren't working. Also now that the children are home they are eating their families out of the house from what I am hearing from parents”.

Speaking to a staff member at Second Harvest (SH) I learned that donations made specifically to Lincoln are put in the school's account. I was also told that donations to SH were down - money, food and grocery store chains like Sam's, Walmart, Giant Eagle and Sparkle Markets. Currently when donations come for Lincoln they are offset and part of Lincoln's regular SH allocation is given to another food distribution site in need to ensure that there is sufficient food to go around. At the present time SH is able to support Lincoln at its current levels. While the Pantry continues to receive a grant from United Way it is supplemented with SH funds. Given the current situation increasing Pantry needs coupled with declining community support the only way we can increase Lincoln School food is through direct gifts of food to Lincoln Pantry.

Blessing Boxes

Christ Church's answer to the community need that exists at Lincoln School and...

Speaking with the Community Liaison three concerns were expressed.

- Sufficient food to meet the increasing demand

Food - WOW! Your response was huge. On Monday I found stacks of the most amazing foods and then to top it off on Tuesday while delivering it Jim Crofford arrived and added lots more. In total we delivered 2 flatbed carts of food!!!! Hot items remain peanut butter, jelly, chicken ramen noodles, mac and cheese, canned pastas and fruit. SH says they are having difficulty getting peanut butter, mac and cheese and ramen noodles.

- Plastic bags to package food in

The increased number of students using the Pantry has depleted their supply of plastic bags and they have not been able to order more. When you go to the grocery store please save your plastic bags and when you are out for your weekly shopping drop them off church.

- Preparing the kids for summer vacation

May 22nd schools close. Chances are social distancing may still be in effect. The Community Liaison is seeing children whose spirits are down. She would like to give those children a pick-me up Summer Fun bag. In the bag would be a coloring book, box of 8 crayons, chalk and bubbles along with a hand written friendly note. She would like to start distributing these starting the week before. The Summer Fun bag addresses the children's mental health in times where their future is unknown. The children will LOVE them!

A Message from Lincoln School

Thank You!! Thank You!! Thank You!! Please spread the word and let everyone know that we appreciate them!!

