

* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* THE CHORAL RESPONSE *Great Lord God! Thy Kingdom Shall Endure* Handel



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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thank you for making sure your cell phone is off during the worship hour.

Our preparation for worship is as follows: Before the prelude begins, the liturgist for the morning will greet the congregation from the lectern, saying "The Lord be with you." The people will respond, "And also with you." At this point, the prelude will begin. After the prelude, the chimes will be sounded, and the call to worship will take place, followed by the processional hymn. Our goal is to make the sanctuary as worshipful as possible as the congregation gathers to honor God's holy name.

THE GATHERING

Alicia Wilson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRELUDE

Walter Huff, organist

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing praise to the Lord, you faithful people!

Remember what God has done and give thanks!

People: **Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!
You have put gladness in our heart.**

Leader: You have changed our sadness into a joyful dance;
You have taken our mourning clothes and given
us garments of joy.

People: **We will not be silent but sing praises to you, O God.
Forever, we will give thanks to you, O Lord our God.**

Leader: With joy and gratitude, let us worship God!

from Psalm 30

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

**(The asterisk indicates parts of the worship when the congregation is invited to stand as they are able.)*

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*Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary during worship.*

*Should you find that your child grows restless, there is child care available. Infants are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, toddlers 18 months through two years in Room 012.*

**Elder on call: Arthur Sweum 404.634.8970**

**Deacon on call: Shari Tant 770.924.4396**

**Ushers: Laura Fillyaw, Jill and Jack Klotz, Jesse Neill**

**Coffee and Conversation Hosts: Link Marx and Brenda Fishpaw**

**Counters: Martin Dunlap and Jim Armstrong**

**Infant Volunteer: Tish Woolley**

**Toddler/Two's Volunteer: Joan Starks**

**Three's Volunteers: Matt and Melisa Prevost**

**Pre-K Volunteers: Mary Chapman and Carol Senf**

**2nd-3rd Grade: Melissa Lawson**

**Fellowship Hour: The Deacons**

**Staff**

Christopher Henry .....Associate Pastor/Acting Head of Staff

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**THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious and holy God, you call us to repentance through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Forgive us if we get too busy to listen or to see Jesus and know who he is. Forgive us if we move from Easter and forget the gift of grace you have given us. Forgive us when we do not respond to your call to share with others. Turn our hearts and minds to service in your name. Clothe us with joy, we pray. Amen.

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE** *(for examination of conscience and personal prayers of confession)*

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\* THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

(Hymn 119)

The strife is o'er, the battle done, the victory of life is won.  
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!

**\* THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*(Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after the baptisms for special classes. Three-year-olds are in Room 208; Pre-K in 011; K - 1st grade in 001; 2nd - 3rd grade in 003; 4th - 6th grade in 005.)*

**THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

*(Visitors and members are invited to sign the blue friendship register pad and pass it down the pew.)*

**THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

People: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome these children into Christ's church.  
We are the family of God for we are all one in Christ.

**THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Baptized in Water*

Gaelic melody

**THE ANTHEM**

*Al Shlosha D'Varim*

Naplan

(sung in Hebrew)

The world is sustained by three things: by truth, by justice, and by peace.

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON**

John 21:1-17

(page 109 in the pew Bible)

**THE SERMON**

*The Once and Future Church*

Christopher Henry

*Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." John 21:17b*

**\* THE HYMN 337**

*Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old*

**\* THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**THE OFFERTORY**

*Prelude in A-flat Major (WTC 1)*

J.S. Bach

**\* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

**\* THE HYMN 386**

*O for a World* (verses 1 through 5)