

*Third Sunday of Easter*  
April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 9:00 a.m. Virtual Worship

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*Les Disciples, Passion Series*

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# GATHERING

**Prelude: *Two Reflections for Organ***

**David Maxwell**

## ***A Prayer for Peace & Contemplating Grace***

*Dr. David Maxwell earned degrees from the University of Illinois in piano and organ performance. He has taught at colleges in Illinois and Maine. Since 1980, he has served as Minister of Music at State Street United Church of Christ in Portland, Maine. These "Reflections" were composed in 2015.*

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### Opening Acclamations

*Celebrant.* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* 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.***

### Psalm 4

- 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 3:1-17

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.

## The Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

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.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

The Rev. Mary Keenan

## Music for Reflection: *Come, Risen Lord, and Deign to be Our Guest*

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; thyself at thine own board make manifest in thine own Sacrament of Bread and Wine. We meet, as in that upper room they met; thou at the table, blessing, yet dost stand: "This is my Body"; so thou givest yet: faith still receives the cup as from thy hand. One body we, one Body who partake, one Church united in communion blest; one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest. One with each other, Lord, for one in thee, who art one Savior and one living Head; then open thou our eyes, that we may see; be known to us in breaking of the Bread.

*The breaking of bread by the risen Christ with his disciples is the basis for this text that first appeared in The Hymnal 1940. The poet, George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), was an English hymn writer and Anglican clergyman.*

**Thomas Middleton, soloist**

Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), alt.  
Music: Sursum Corda, Alfred Morton Smith (1879-1971)

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## Prayers of the People

Form II, BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for those in our community \_\_\_\_\_.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored especially whom we remember today. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*The celebrant concludes with prayers and a collect*

## The Lord's Prayer

*Priest and People*

**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 Offertory Anthem: *My Life Must be Christ's Broken Bread*      Paul Jones**

My life must be Christ's broken bread, my love his outpoured wine, a cup o'er-filled, a table spread beneath his name and sign. That other souls, refreshed and fed, may share his life through mine. My all is in the Master's hands for him to bless and break; beyond the brook his wine-press stands and thence my way I take, resolved the whole of love's demands to give for his dear sake. Lord, let me share that grace of thine wherewith thou didst sustain the burden of the fruitful vine, the gift of buried grain. Who dies with thee, O Word Divine shall rise and live again.

*Composer Paul S. Jones was born in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada in 1969. He holds a doctorate in choral conducting from Indiana University and four other degrees in piano, composition and theology. While at Indiana University he studied piano with the legendary Menahem Pressler, founding member of the Beaux Arts Trio. Dr. Jones has served numerous congregations during his career. He is currently a professor at the University of the Bahamas, and also serves as Organist of the Church of St. Christopher (Anglican), at Lyford Cay.*

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## **Announcements**

### **The Peace**

*Priest*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
***People***           **And also with you.**

### **Postlude: *Fanfare***

**William Mathias**

*Welsh composer William Mathias (1934-1992) wrote in nearly every genre of the classical repertoire. His works include an opera, symphonies, concertos and chamber music. It was his writing for the Anglican church, however, that brought him the most attention. Princess Diana commissioned him to write an anthem for her wedding to Prince Charles. His choral and organ music is performed in churches and colleges around the world.*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School Series through Eastertide, 9:45am:** *The Resurrection Appearances:* discussing the various resurrection accounts in scripture, led by The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings.

**St. Mark's Annual Bishop Visitation & Confirmation will be on Sunday, April 25th, with Bishop Kai Ryan.**

**Women of St. Mark's first in-person gathering in over a year! Join us on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 11:00 am for a brown bag lunch.** Meet at the picnic tables near the barbecue pits at St. Mark's. Please bring your picnic lunch, drink and a lawn chair, and park in the back half of the parking lot (to avoid Day School pickup traffic). All women of the church are welcome.

**Save the date:** Graduation Sunday will be on May 23rd. Stay tuned for details.

## ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

- **In-person worship services:** 10am (Family Picnic Eucharist, Front Lawn) and 11:15am (Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Parking Lot). **RSVPs here:** [stmarksaustin.org/rsvp](http://stmarksaustin.org/rsvp).
- **Sunday Virtual Worship, 9:00 a.m.:** *Please join us online* - links available on our website.
- **Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.:** via the Zoom link on our website.
- **Tuesday Noon Bible Study:** the link is shared on our website. All are welcome!
- **Morning Prayer meets 8:30 a.m. M-F.** Check our home page for the link: [www.stmarksaustin.org](http://www.stmarksaustin.org).

## Parish Intercession List

*You are invited to use this Intercession List to pray for those listed below.*

**For healthcare workers and teachers:** Heather, Michael B., Christine, Eric, Joan, Beth, Mac, Jodi, Courtney, Russ, Nicole, Jewellyn, Jana Kay, Steven, Pam, Marcille, Jesse, Laurie, Charles, Cilla, Jonea, Jennifer R., Jennifer S., Samuel, Mary, Jordan, Jeffrey, Kim, Michael T., Amber, Aaron, Sarah, Laurie, Jennifer, Chez, James., Cindy.

**For those celebrating birthdays:** Christa Tumlinson, Brian Parkison, Adelaide Harwood, Arthur Portman, Mike Gonzalez, Alison Nichols, Dee Ann Thomasson, Ellie Reshetnikov, Sallie Russell.

**For those celebrating anniversaries:** Stacey & Mike Gonzalez, Beatrice & Miguel Lavalle.

**For those whom the Daughters of the King pray.**

**Lectors:** Nancy & Bill Kibler



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