# ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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# April 18, 2021 – Third Sunday of Easter– via Zoom

The Service of the Word: The Resurrection Story Told on the Emmaus Road, Rite II, 10:00 a.m.

# Getting to the Service Using Zoom

Zoom provides the capability for individuals to participate in the service using video or just audio by telephone. We will try to start the service as close to 10 am as possible so be sure to access the meeting early. The session will be open about 15 minutes before the service starts.

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https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87353789589?pwd=OWImaEINYnpDZ1N2ZVFSWDNIK0ZDUT09 If you can't copy the link - - go to zoom.com/join and enter Meeting ID: 873 5378 9589 and Password: 2020. If you don't have zoom on your device you will need to do that prior to the service.

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# **MUTING/UNMUTING PROCEDURES**

To address a number of issues, Zoom has made numerous updates in their software over the past couple of months to address security related issues. One prevents us from centrally unmuting an individual or everyone.

In the past we centrally muted everyone then selectively unmuted when the priest or the leader of the prayers was speaking or Judith was playing. We would then unmute all for the response. As noted above we can no longer centrally unmute. We are now asking everyone to unmute themselves at the appropriate times.

You will see that at several places where there is a short prayer or reading by the priest, we previously had muted everyone; this week we will <u>not mute</u> everyone in those instances. We will mute everyone for the Epistle and Gospel readings and the sermon, but the reader may have to unmute themself. Each of you will need to unmute yourself at the appropriate time as is noted below. Please be very aware of any sounds in your area and mute yourself to not disturb the rest of the congregation.

**How to Unmute or Mute your connection** – If you are using the Zoom app, you will see one of these two icons at the bottom left of your screen. When the top one shows you are unmuted, if click on it, it will change to the bottom one indicating you are muted.



If you dial in by phone, press \*6 to switch between Mute and Unmute. You can temporarily unmute some devices by holding the space bar.

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Please remember that when you see p) at the end of a line, count "1, 2" before moving on to the next line. This pause will enable us to stay together in reading the service.

# **GREETING** — The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. "Larry" Packard

# OPENING HYMN 180: "He is risen, he is risen!" (vs. 1,3,4)

- He is risen, he is risen!
   Tell it out with joyful voice:
   he has burst his three days' prison;
   let the whole wide earth rejoice:
   death is conquered, we are free,
   Christ has won the victory.
- 4. He is risen, he is risen!
  He hath opened heaven's gate:
  we are free from sin's dark prison,
  risen to a holier state;
  and a brighter Easter beam
  on our longing eyes shall stream.

3. Come, with high and holy hymning, hail our Lord's triumphant day; not one darksome cloud is dimming yonder glorious morning ray, breaking o'er the purple east, symbol of our Easter feast.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

#### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN. (each person unmutes themself)

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Almighty God, (p - pause, 1,2) to you all hearts are open, (p) all desires known, (p) and from you no secrets are hid: (p) Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts (p) by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, (p) that we may perfectly love you, (p) and worthily magnify your holy Name; (p) through Christ our Lord. (p) AMEN.

#### THE GLORIA

Sung by all (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
AMEN.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you. (each person unmutes themself)

People And also with you.

Priest 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.

People AMEN.

#### THE LESSONS

#### First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19 (Centrally Mute All – reader unmutes themself)

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."

Reader The Word of the Lord. (each person unmutes themself)

People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 4 (Book of Common Prayer, p. 587)

(We will say the Psalm responsively by whole verse with a pause until all are ready for the next phrase at each (p))

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; \* (p - pause, 1,2) 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; \* (p) 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!" \* (p) 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; \* (p) for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

#### Second Lesson: a reading from 1 John 3:1-7 (Centrally Mute All – reader unmutes themself)

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord. (each person unmutes themself)
People Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL HYMN 205: "Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!" (vs. 1,2,4,5)

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

- Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
   Now is the triumph of our King!
   To all the world glad news we bring:
   Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Your Name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 2 The Lord of life is risen today! Sing songs of praise along his way; let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One, we sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words: Cecil A. Alington (1872-1955), alt. St. 5, Norman Mealy (b. 1923)

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Music: Gelobt sei Gott, Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-48

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (each person unmutes themself)
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

### (Centrally Mute All)

Larry/Narrator: Now that same day (of the resurrection) two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him so Jesus asked them:

Jesus: "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

Larry/Narrator: They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

Jesus: "What things?"

Disciple: "About Jesus of Nazareth. He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

*Jesus*: He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"

*Larry/Narrator*: And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly by saying:

Disciples: "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over."

Larry/Narrator: So Jesus went in to stay with them. When Jesus was at the table with them, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other,

Disciples: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

Larry/Narrator: They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying,

Disciples: "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon."

*Larry/Narrator*: Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread. While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them,

Jesus: "Peace be with you."

Larry/Narrator: They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. Jesus said to them,

*Jesus*: "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

Larry/Narrator: When Jesus had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, Jesus asked them,

Jesus: "Do you have anything here to eat?"

Larry/Narrator: They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and Jesus took it and ate it in their presence. Jesus then said to them,

*Jesus*: "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

Larry/Narrator: Then Jesus opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. Jesus told them,

Jesus: "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord. (each person unmutes themself)

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON** The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. Packard (Centrally Mute All – the Priest unmutes himself)

#### THE NICENE CREED (each person unmutes themself)

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We believe in one God,
                           (p - pause, 1, 2)
  the Father, the Almighty, (p)
  maker of heaven and earth, (p)
  of all that is, seen and unseen. (p)
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, (p)
  the only Son of God, (p)
  eternally begotten of the Father, (p)
  God from God, Light from Light, (p)
  true God from true God, (p)
  begotten, not made, (p)
  of one Being with the Father (p)
  Through him all things were made. (p)
  For us and for our salvation (p)
    he came down from heaven: (p)
  by the power of the Holy Spirit (p)
    he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, (p)
    and was made man. (p)
  For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
    Pilate: (p)
    he suffered death and was buried. (p)
On the third day he rose again (p)
in accordance with the Scriptures; (p)
he ascended into heaven (p)
   and is seated at the right hand of the Father. (p)
   He will come again in glory to judge the living
       and the dead, (p)
       and his kingdom will have no end. (p)
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
  life, (p)
  who proceeds from the Father and the Son. (p)
  With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified. (p)
  He has spoken through the Prophets. (p)
  We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
   Church. (p)
  We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness
  of sins. (p)
  We look for the resurrection of the dead, (p)
    and the life of the world to come. (p)
  AMEN.
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# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI, WITH CONFESSION

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble.

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God.

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For our Presiding Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Say: Please offer your prayers for healing, special concerns, and safe travel.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

Say: Please offer your prayers for thanksgivings, birthdays, and anniversaries.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Say: Please offer your prayers for anyone who has died, saying "Today we remember especially........"

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; (p - pause, 1,2)

in your compassion forgive us our sins, (p)

known and unknown, (p)

things done and left undone; (p)

and so uphold us by your Spirit (p)

that we may live and serve you in newness of life, (p)

to the honor and glory of your Name; (p)

# through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

#### THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People AMEN.

#### St. John's Collect

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Gracious God, (p - pause, 1,2)Send your Spirit upon us (p)during this interim period, (p)and bless our ministries (p)for the building up of our parish (p)and the mission of your Church. (p)Grant us all things necessary for our common life, (p)And help us to reach out our hands in love of others (p)Even as your Son Jesus (p)reached out his arms on the cross. (p)In his name, we pray. AMEN.

#### THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the people greet one another in the name of the Lord. (We will call out each person's name and they will offer us all a greeting.)

THE OFFERTORY: PLEASE REMEMBER THE WORDS OF THE LORD JESUS AND HOW HE SAID IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** "The Strife is O'er" A Special Media Presentation of the Episcopal Church

A Virtual Choir of 600 participants from different parishes across our nation

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Priest says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest and People

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Our Father, who art in heaven, (p - pause, 1,2)
hallowed be thy Name, (p)
thy kingdom come, (p)
thy will be done, (p)
on earth as it is in heaven. (p)
Give us this day our daily bread. (p)
And forgive us our trespasses, (p)
as we forgive those (p)
who trespass against us. (p)
And lead us not into temptation, (p)
but deliver us from evil. (p)
For thine is the kingdom, (p)
and the power, and the glory, (p)
for ever and ever. (p)
AMEN.
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# A PRAYER OF GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Priest and People

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies, (p - pause, 1, 2)
we humbly thank you for your goodness to us (p)
and to all that you have made. (p)
We praise you for your creation, (p)
for keeping us and all things in your care, (p)
and for all the blessings of life. (p)
Above all we bless you for your immeasurable love (p)
in redeeming the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, (p)
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. (p)
In this season of Easter, we pray that you will (p)
open our eyes to see the light of your mercies, (p)
that with thankful hearts we praise you, (p)
not only with our lips but in our lives, (p)
by giving up ourselves to your service, (p)
and by living out your gifts of holiness and righteousness (p)
in the power of his resurrection, (p)
through Jesus Christ our Lord. (p)
AMEN.
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#### THE BLESSING

Go forth on this day with the peace and power of the risen life of Jesus Christ. May the blessing of God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and all you love.

People AMEN.

# RECESSIONAL HYMN 199: "Come, ye faithful, raise the strain"

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

- Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!
  God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness:
  loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters, led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.
- 3 Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor, with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render; comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

- 2 'Tis the spring of souls today:
  Christ hath burst his prison,
  and from three days' sleep in death
  as a sun hath risen;
  all the winter of our sins,
  long and dark, is flying
  from his light, to whom we give
  laud and praise undying.
- 4 Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal: but today amidst thine own thou didst stand, bestowing that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

Words: John of Damascus (8<sup>th</sup> cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *St. Kevin*, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900)

#### THE DISMISSAL

Priest Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the Name of the risen Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**POSTLUDE** (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

At the end of the postlude, each person unmutes themselves so we can join in today's virtual reception.

# Participants in today's service

Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. (Larry) Packard

Readers: Barbara Wien

Prayers of the People: Lynn Robinson

# **Announcements**

Our next Outdoor Service, Liturgy of the Word with Communion available, will be on May 2.

**Pastoral Care during the Interim Period.** The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. ("Larry") Packard is available for pastoral care—abiding by the Diocesan health and safety guidelines. He may be reached at: <a href="minister@stjohnsarlingtonva.org">minister@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</a> or 703-425-8315 or 703-606-3109 (cell, no voice mail).

*Our Senior Warden, Cassandra (Sandy) Winger,* is the individual charged with leadership until St. John's appoints a successor to Ann. She can be contacted at <a href="mailto:srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org">srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</a> or on her cell phone at 703-498-6990.

**Our Coat and Clothing Drive is back.** We are once again collecting clothes for Clothesline, a non-profit that distributes gently used clothing to school-age children. Clothesline is looking for everyday school and home clothes for spring and summer, sizes 4T through adult (with the adult in teen styles). The clothes should be clean and free of stains, damage, and pet hair. Clothes for teen boys and bras are especially needed.

Please no underpants or socks, no baby or toddler clothes (sizes 0 through 3), no toys or books, no hangers, no uniforms, and no promo or event tees. The only shoes being accepted are new sneakers.

Please leave your donations in the bin on Pritchards' front porch, 5713 5th St. S, one-half block from the church. And thank you.

**School Supplies Collection.** Kenmore Middle School in our neighborhood is running short on supplies of pens, pencils, colored pencils, and loose-leaf paper in particular. They can also use other supplies but no composition books and no binders. Please place your contribution in the box on Pritchards' front porch at 5713 5th St. S, a half-block down from St. John's. Faye will deliver the supplies to the school.

**Are you in need of a Notary Public?** Sandy Winger is a notary and she is offering her services to parishioners. Feel free to contact her at 703-498-6990 or <a href="mailto:swarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org">srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</a>.

A note from Sandy Winger, Sr. Warden/Arlington Thrive board member: St. John's contributes to Arlington Thrive. If you are coming up short on expenses, you can contact Thrive for assistance at <a href="https://arlingtonthrive.org/">https://arlingtonthrive.org/</a>.

#### **Prayers and Cards**

**Prayers for Sunday Services**. We are inviting you to send the names or intentions which you would like included by the person leading the prayers as we had been doing via the book at the rear of the church. Email your request to <a href="mailto:prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org">prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</a> no later than Friday so Barbara Olivere can be sure to get the information to the person leading the prayers. Please note in your email that this is a "Service Prayer" request.

**Cards.** We have been sending birthday and anniversary cards to members, when we are aware of it, cards to those who are sick, and periodic "thinking of you" messages. Please let us know if your think someone needs a card. Email requests to <u>prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> and note in your email that this is a "Card" request.

**St. John's Intercessory Prayer** group is a ministry which will include prayers for anyone who needs it. If you have a need for prayer for yourself or for a loved one, please let us know. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, let us know. Email to <a href="mailto:prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org">prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</a> and note in your email that this is an "Intercessory" request, not for Sunday service prayers.

Barbara Olivere is the coordinator for these three items and if you would rather call, you can reach her at 571-228-1399. The <a href="mailto:prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org">prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</a> emails go to Barbara and Virginia Pearson.

# St. John's position on racism can be found on the home page of our website, www.stjohnsarlingtonva.org.

**AFAC still needs our help.** They are looking for non-perishable food, such as low-sugar cereals, tuna, cooking oil, dried spaghetti (not canned), and condiments (salsa, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, and salt & pepper). Seasonings such as brown and cane sugar, poultry seasoning, sage, ginger, vanilla extract, canned milk, and any other spices are always welcome.

If you can, please bring items to the church now and drop off in the big box in front of the church door (Lexington St. side). The need is great as we have so many more people who are hungry. You can also donate money to AFAC by sending a check to AFAC, 2708 S. Nelson St., Arlington, VA 22206. Or you can give online at their website <a href="https://www.afac.org">www.afac.org</a>.