

We welcome you this morning!
If you are visiting, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us today.

Officiant Rev. Chris McCann **April 18, 2021**

Opening Hymn *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing* Hymn #182

The people, standing, the Celebrant prays.

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Gloria S280

Collect Inserted

(Please sit for the readings)

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles [3:12–19]*

Psalm 4

Second Reading *First Letter of John [3:1–7]*

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia*

The Holy Gospel *Luke [24:36b–48]*

Sermon Rev. Chris McCann

Prayers of the People

Parish Intercession/Prayer List:

- Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop, Arthur and William assisting bishops;
- For the whole world for which Jesus came to earth in great humility ...for peace with justice for those who have had their lives torn apart through violence and war: for the victims of mass shootings in these United States. For the Uyghurs of China; the people of Syria; the people of Myanmar.

For our civic life; for leaders in government, for all who work for the common good

For the mission of the church, and especially for the ministry of Reconciliation whereby God is reconciling the world to God's self in Christ, especially for clergy as they seek to serve under the restrictions and limitations of Covid.

• For all who have asked our prayers: Thelma, Georgette, Joan, Dave and Suzanne, Martin, George, Donald, Anna, Sandy, Jeannette, Andy, Rose...for all who are distressed and discouraged because of illness,.....and all those we name either silently or aloud

• For the Faithful Departed: For those who were killed in Colorado and Georgia, through gun violence, for those who have died during this pandemic,...

• For the Faithful Departed:

Confession BCP p. 360

The Peace

Offertory Hymn *That Easter day with joy was bright* Hymn #193

Prayer Over The Gifts

All things come of thee O Lord.

and of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p 361

Sanctus S130

Lord's Prayer S149

Fraction Sentence

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

Communion Hymn *Jesus lives!*
(Please kneel)

Hymn #195

Prayer after Communion

BCP p. 366

(Please stand)

Closing Hymn *To God be the glory*

Hymn #108

Chalice Bearer: Fawn O'Hara

Lectors: Grace Butcher & Deb Blackley

Organist: Jean Spangler

Today's Readings

The Third Sunday of Easter

Collect

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.*

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles [3:12–19]

When Peter saw it, he 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 Word of the Lord.*

Psalm

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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.

Second Reading

First Letter of John [3:1–7]

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 Word of the Lord.*

Gospel

Luke [24:36b-48]

While the disciples were telling how they had seen Jesus risen from the dead, Jesus himself stood among them 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 Gospel of the Lord.*

Church Financial Income Information			
Week of 04/11/21		Year To Date	Budget
Pledges/Non Pledge	\$2,125	\$41,072.75	
Loose Plate	\$20	\$206	
Discretionary	\$100		
Attendance	25 people		

Metro Food Bank Project

The next Metro Food Bank event will be on May 15, 2021. Volunteer sign-up online www.stlukechardon.org, in food pantry info.

Altar Guild

We are looking for people who would be willing to join the altar guild. An internal ministry of the parish, this work is essential in preparing for Sunday morning worship on a weekly basis. Primarily, responsibilities include preparing the elements and the chalice for Holy Communion, and from time to time Altar Guild members also take accumulated linens home for laundering and pressing. Full explanations and demonstrations are available for anyone who wishes to become involved in this important ministry. Please speak to Fr Chris or Cindy Lorenzi.

Chalice Bearers

We are currently refreshing the list of those who would be interested in continuing or who would like to join for the first time, in the ministry of serving the parish as a chalice bearer during Sunday morning worship. Although we are receiving communion in the form of bread only for the time being, chalice bearers are involved in other aspects of Sunday worship, including the process of preparing the Lord's Table for Communion. In addition, they typically read the first lesson and lead the congregation in the responsive reading of the psalm during worship. From time to time they are asked to share in the work of leading the congregation in the prayers of the people. Full demonstrations and a review of responsibilities is offered by the rector. If you are interested in participating in this essential component of ministry, please speak with the Rector.

Free Covid Test Kits

Geauga County Libraries have free COVID test kits available to the public. These are do-it-yourself but easy to use. All branches and the Administrative Center on Ravenwood have these.

30th Annual Chardon Flea Market Sunday, June 6, 2021

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Friends, I have found a sign that Geauga County is making steps to normalcy: the Chardon Square Association has scheduled the Flea Market this year on Sunday June 6th. Each exhibitor will get a 10 foot x 10 foot space. Remember St. Luke had participated a few years back, I am looking to you all for interest in participating again this year. Maybe you have some items that having been taking up too much space, or have lost their luster, or have lost your interest. If so please consider donating to this project. The area allotted does not have the space normally used for the Trash and Treasure sale, so please keep that in mind. Also, any items not sold at the sale will either be donated or discarded. Please contact me for questions or suggestions. You can call or text 440-221-7821 or email cynthiaatobin@gmail.com.

Thanks for your interest! Cindy Lorencz