

Covenant Community Church



Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: The bread of life opens our eyes.

People: The word of life opens our ears.

Leader: The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,

People: and by those wounds we are healed.

Leader: Peace be with you

People: And also with you.

Opening Hymn #512

Come, Celebrate the Presence of the Lord

Come, celebrate the presence of the Lord
whose Holy Spirit draws us all together.

One faith, one Lord, our hope has been restored
as gifts of love upon us have been poured.

Come, celebrate the presence of the Lord.

Come, celebrate the goodness of the Lord
whose strong and loving arms are all put around us.

Held in God's care who hears our every prayer
and lifts us up to glory from despair.

Come, celebrate the goodness of the Lord.

Come, celebrate the mercy of the Lord
whose every lasting covenant is given.

Sin quarantined but God has intervened
in Jesus' name we now have been redeemed.

Come, celebrate the mercy of the Lord.

Come, celebrate the glory of the Lord
whose kingdom is beyond our understanding.

Witness the show'r of blessing and of pow'r,
for God is present with us in this hour.

Come, celebrate the glory of the Lord.

Confession

Leader--Call to Confession:

The One who calls us to repent, hears us. In trust that our Creator knows us through and through, let us open our hearts to the healing of God's forgiveness.

People--Prayer of Confession:

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness.

We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us.

We beg your mercy for our fallen world.

We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete.

Forgive us and lead us. Amen

Leader--Declaration of Forgiveness:

In the name of God, the Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit, your plea for absolution has been heard. God's promises are sure: your sins are forgiven. Peace be with you.

Opening Prayer

We Hear the Word

Scripture

Acts 3:12-19

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

We Respond

Interlude

Hymn #74

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say I am strong
let the poor say I am rich
because of what the Lord has done for us. (repeat)

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

Closing Hymn #663

You Shall Go Out with Joy

You shall go out with joy
and be led forth with peace,
and the mountains and the hills
shall break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy
and the trees of the field
shall clap, shall clap their hands.
And the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and you'll go out with joy.

Benediction

Benediction Response

*The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
And give you, give you, give you peace.*

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Risen Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

We Fellowship Together

Virtual Coffee Time and Sharing

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:

Rev. Jeannette Conver

Music Leader:

Peter Olson

Scripture Reader:

Jamie Wimble

Acts 3:12-19 New Living Translation

¹² Peter saw his opportunity and addressed the crowd. “People of Israel,” he said, “what is so surprising about this? And why stare at us as though we had made this man walk by our own power or godliness? ¹³ For it is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—the God of all our ancestors—who has brought glory to his servant Jesus by doing this. This is the same Jesus whom you handed over and rejected before Pilate, despite Pilate’s decision to release him. ¹⁴ You rejected this holy, righteous one and instead demanded the release of a murderer. ¹⁵ You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. And we are witnesses of this fact!

¹⁶ “Through faith in the name of Jesus, this man was healed—and you know how crippled he was before. Faith in Jesus’ name has healed him before your very eyes.

¹⁷ “Friends, I realize that what you and your leaders did to Jesus was done in ignorance. ¹⁸ But God was fulfilling what all the prophets had foretold about the Messiah—that he must suffer these things. ¹⁹ Now repent of your sins and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped away.

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