



GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

*Welcome to "Voices of Grace",
 our virtual worship experience that features parishioners
 leading worship from their own homes.
 We hope you join us from yours!
 Wherever you are, we pray for your health and well-being.
 God bless you!*

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April 26, 2020 ~ The Third Sunday of Easter
 Voices of Grace "Virtual" Worship

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Vincent Lübeck (1654-1740)

HYMN 296



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em-braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold;
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
 The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God.
 as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. Al - le -
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. sing:
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

*Words: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932), alt.
 Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

THE LESSONS

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17

Said by all

Led by Liz Richards-Hegnaner

I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *

because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *

"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

How shall I repay the LORD *

for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation *

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *

in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD *

is the death of his servants.

O LORD, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;

you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *

in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the LORD'S house, *

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

THE LESSON

Luke 24:13-35

Read by Ray Finelli

NOW on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then

beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

THE HOMILY

The Rector

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Elfreda Thorpe

ANTHEM

BREAD OF THE WORLD in mercy broken, Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead.
Look on the heart, by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed,
And be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Amory Kisch, Baritone

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Music: John Abdenour (b.1962)

THE BLESSING

The Reverend Paul Twelves

~ PRAYER LIST ~

This week, we pray for: *Kristyn and Shawn, Ricky and Patty Birkes, Anne Clanton, Chris Yengbeh, Maria Diamante, Bob Scanlan, Robert Cramer, Bob Nelson, Kenneth Scanlan, Jerry Clifford, all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm's way.* We also pray for those members of our church who are homebound.

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