



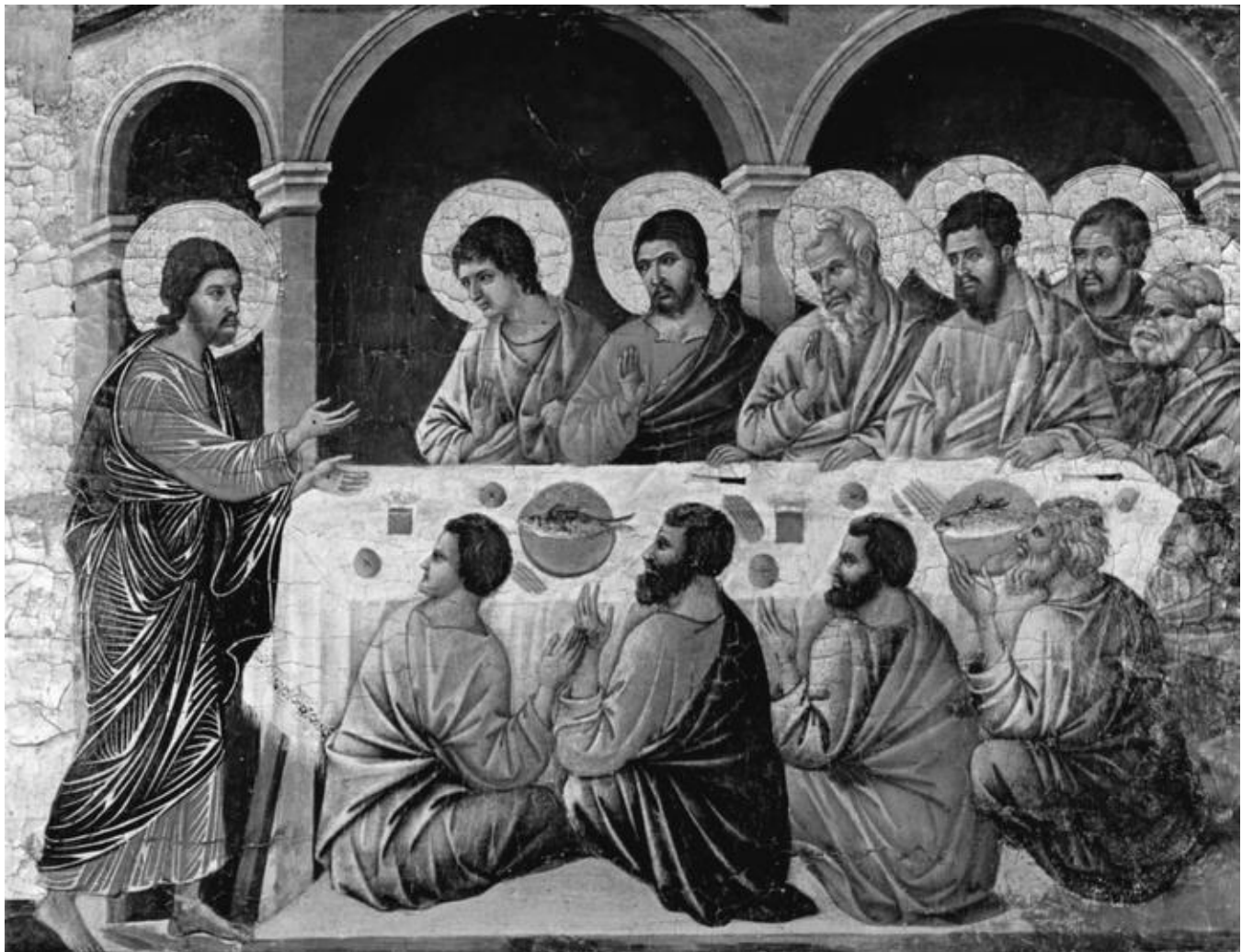
INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 18, 2021



Christ Appears to the Disciples at the Table after the Resurrection, Duccio, d. 1319, Siena, Italy

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Lauren Somple, Liturgist
Rev. David B. Wigger, Pastor

*And know indeed that what kind of a person is, is determined at the table,
for there one's qualities are revealed and made known.*

~ Rabbi Bahya ben Asher ibn Halawa, (1255-1340)

- GATHERING -

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

When Jesus speaks, our hearts burn within us;
our eyes are opened when he breaks the bread.

PRELUDE

PRELUDE IN A \flat

J.S. Bach (BMV 862)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Based on Psalm 4*)

Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!

You have put gladness in our heart

God of gladness, let the light of your face shine on us.

When we lie down and when we rise, when we work and when we rest,
when we eat and when we smile, when we cry and when we dream.

Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!

You have put gladness in our heart

God of gladness, let the light of your face shine on us.

HYMN

BE THOU MY VISION

GTG #450

Irish monastic prayer set to an Irish ballad
by Mary E. Byrne and Eleanor Hull

SLANE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Welcoming God, we confess that we have journeyed far from you. We have traveled far from your love and justice. We have neglected the stranger in our midst. And we have even doubted your presence with us. Help us to see the way you have set for us in Christ. Restore us to a life of mutuality, love and justice for all. We ask this as your own children, forgive us and lead us. Amen. [Time of Silent confession.]

RESPONSE

BE NOT AFRAID

GTG #243

Taizé Community and Jacques Berthier

BE NOT AFRAID

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The welcoming grace of God is sure for each and for all. **Our dwelling place in God is secure.** Receive the forgiveness of God and be restored to right relation with God and one another. **Thanks be to God.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

ALLELUIA

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!
Caribbean melody; arr. by John L. Bell

GTG #591
HALLE HALLE

- THE WORD -

FIRST READING

ACTS 3:11-20

(CEB)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 4

O GOD, BE GRACIOUS
Words by David Gambrell
Music by Thomas Tallis

GTG #776
TALLIS' ORDINAL

SECOND READING

LUKE 24:36-49

(NRSV)

SERMON

TABLE RESURRECTION

Rev. Wigger

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*from A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

- RESPONDING TO THE WORD -

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

RESPONSE

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

Words by Thomas Ken

OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

- SENDING -

HYMN

I'M GONNA EAT AT THE WELCOME TABLE

GTG #770

African American Spiritual

WELCOME TABLE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

FUGUE IN A ♭

J. S. Bach (BMV 862)

Coffee and tea are available in the gathering room. You are invited to grab a cup and head to the courtyard for (socially-distanced) fellowship.

Pieces of today's liturgy are from: the *Book of Common Worship*, PC(USA);
Presbyterian *Outlook*, Roger Gench; *Together We Pray*, J. Bradley Wigger;
Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed.

(NRSV) = New Revised Standard Version; (CEB) = Common English Bible

GTG = "Glory to God" Hymnal