

CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 14, 2024

Revised Common Lectionary Readings
Third Sunday of Easter
Year B

[Acts 3:12-19](#) or [Isaiah 6:1-9a](#)
[Psalm 4](#) or [Psalm 40:1-5](#)
[1 John 3:1-7](#)
[Luke 24:36b-48](#)

Prelude

Greeting and Opening Prayer

Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!

Call to Worship

Psalm 40:5

Happy are those who make the LORD their trust,
You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you.
Were I to proclaim and tell of them,
they would be more than can be counted.

***Hymn** (*The Presbyterian Hymnal* #151)

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Call to Confession

Isaiah 6:5

"Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a person of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

What love you have given us, O God, that we should be called your children. What love you have given us, O Christ, that we should share a table with you. Forgive us when we act as if we were your only children: when we do not recognize your image in the faces of strangers, enemies, or friends; when we do not share our own tables, forgetting that we need each other.

Forgive us, O Christ, maker of peace, and teach us to follow in your way.

from Call to Worship, vol. 57.1

Assurance, *Gloria Patri, *Passing of the Peace

1 John 3:1-2

"See what love the Father has give us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are...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."

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

May the Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Time with the Children

Scripture

[Luke 24:36-53](#)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Kathy Cooper, Guest Preacher

***Hymn** (*The Presbyterian Hymnal* #306)

Fairest Lord Jesus

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed
(ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering

1 John 3:16-18

"We know love by this, that Jesus laid down his life for us – and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses to help?...Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action"

Please prayerfully consider the time, talent, and resources you have been given, and how they can be offered back to God in love and service. If this includes making a financial offering to the church, you may use our [online giving option](#)

Offertory

Sometimes I Hear God's Music
Calvin Choir

****Doxology and Prayer of Dedication***

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

In the Life of the Church

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** (*The Presbyterian Hymnal* #434)

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

***Benediction and Charge**

***Congregational Response (Taize)**

Be Not Afraid

Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

Postlude

We thank Kathy Cooper for preaching this morning while Pastor Kevin is away. Kathy is an Elder at Providence Presbyterian Church and a Candidate for Ordination in the Presbyterian Church (USA). She is on staff with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at Brown University and serves as the Northeast Regional Director for Graduate & Faculty Ministries with IVCF. She served as our sabbatical pastor this past summer while Pastor Kevin was on sabbatical.

Our offertory anthem this morning was purchased for Calvin Presbyterian Church by Barbara Bussert in loving memory of Betty Silbert.