Third Sunday of Easter

LSB Three Year Lectionary
Year A

Today's Appointed Psalm: Psalm 116:1–14

Acts 2:14a, 36–41

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, lifted up his voice, and addressed the crowd: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen carefully to my words.

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36 Therefore let all Israel know with certainty that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ!"

37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and asked Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 This promise belongs to you and your children and to all who are far off—to all whom the Lord our God will call to Himself."

40 With many other words he testified, and he urged them, "Be saved from this corrupt generation." 41 Those who embraced his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to the believers that day.

1 Peter 1:17–25

17 Since you call on a Father who judges each one's work impartially, conduct yourselves in reverent fear during your stay as foreigners. 18 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life you inherited from your forefathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or spot. 20 He was known before the foundation of the world, but was revealed in the last times for your sake.

21 Through Him you believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and glorified Him; and so your faith and hope are in God.

22 Since you have purified your souls by obedience to the truth so that you have a genuine love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from a pure heart. 23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. 24 For,

"All flesh is like grass,
and all its glory like the flowers of the field;
the grass withers and the flowers fall,
25 but the word of the Lord stands forever."
And this is the word that was proclaimed to you.

Notes

Luke 24:13–35

13 That same day two of them were going to a village called
Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking
with each other about everything that had happened. 15 And as they
talked and deliberated, Jesus Himself came up and walked along with
them. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him.

17 He asked them, "What are you discussing so intently as you
walk along?"

They stood still, with sadness on their faces. 18 One of them,
named Cleopas, asked Him, "Are You the only visitor to Jerusalem who
does not know the things that have happened there in recent days?"

19 "What things?" He asked.

"The events involving Jesus of Nazareth," they answered. "This man
was a prophet, powerful in speech and action before God and all the
people. 20 Our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to the
sentence of death, and they crucified Him. 21 But we were hoping He
was the One who would redeem Israel. And besides all this, it is the
third day since these things took place.

22 Furthermore, some of our women astounded us. They were at
the tomb early this morning, 23 but they did not find His body. They
came and told us they had seen a vision of angels, who said that Jesus
was alive. 24 Then some of our companions went to the tomb and
found it just as the women had described. But Him they did not see."

25 Then Jesus said to them, "O foolish ones, how slow are your
hearts to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not
necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and then to enter His
glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He
explained to them what was written in all the Scriptures about Himself.

28 As they approached the village where they were headed, He
seemed to be going farther. 29 But they pleaded with Him, "Stay with
us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over."

So He went in to stay with them. 30 While He was reclining at the
table with them, He took bread, spoke a blessing and broke it, and
gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized
Jesus—and He disappeared from their sight.

32 They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us
as He spoke with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" 33
And they got up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem.

There they found the Eleven and those with them, gathered
together 34 and saying, "The Lord has indeed risen and has appeared
to Simon!"

35 Then the two told what had happened on the road, and how
they had recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Notes

Looking Ahead: **Easter 4**

First Reading	Acts 2:42–47
Psalm	Psalm 23
Epistle	1 Peter 2:19–25
Gospel	John 10:1–10

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