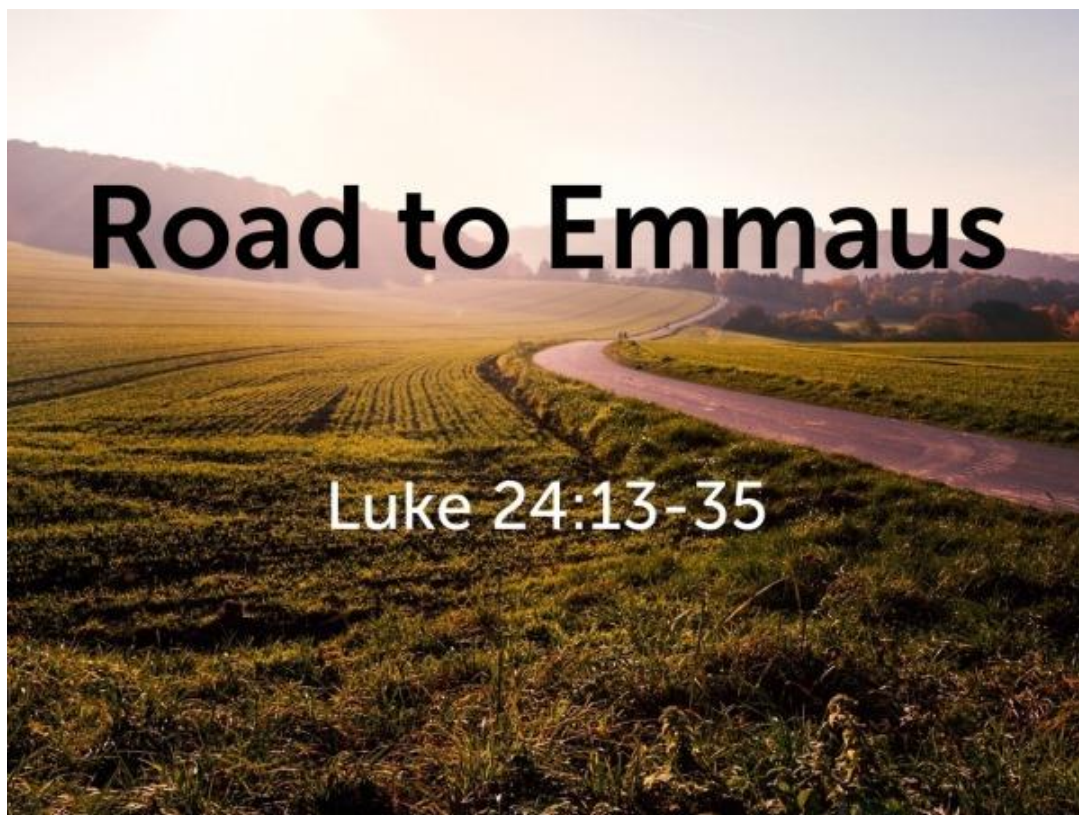

MISSION STATEMENT

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Please silence all cell phones and other personal devices during worship

The Third Sunday of Easter
Morning Prayer
April 23, 2023

Please stand if comfortably able to do so for all hymns.

Prelude: Fanfare & Rondeau on “Victory” *Brenda Portman (b.1980)*

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

HYMN: 208 The strife is over, the battle won

Officiant: On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Confession of Sin

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All say together:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought word, and deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All say together:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant: Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

Venite all read together

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Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

PSALM 116: 1-3, 10-17

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1 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.

2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the LORD *
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the LORD *
is the death of his servants.

14 O LORD, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson – Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

Reader: The first lesson is a reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader:

The Word of the Lord

People:

Thanks be to God

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.**

**He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David**

**Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.**

**He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.**

**This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.**

**You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,**

**To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,**

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Second Lesson-1 Peter 1: 17-23

Reader: The Second lesson is a reading from the First Letter of Peter

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 21 - All read in unison

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**You are God: we praise you;
You are the Lord: we acclaim you;**

**You are the eternal Father:
All creation worships you**

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**To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory**

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**The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.**

**The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;
Father, of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

**You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.
When you became man to set us free
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.**

**You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

**You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
Come then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints
to glory everlasting.**

The Third Lesson- **Luke 24: 13-35**

The Third lesson is a reading from the Book of Luke

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.
Thanks be to God.

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant : The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant : Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (Kneel or stand)

Officiant and People together:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

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V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Officiant:

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Officiant:

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Offertory

Announcements

Offertory Hymn: 294 Baptized in water
Sung to the tune of “Morning Has Broken”

Officiant and People together, all standing.

All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own, have we given thee. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People for the Season of Easter

*The People stand as they are comfortably able to do so.
Leader then says*

Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered God’s people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us lift our voices and pray,

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings he showers upon us: For our lives and for those whom we love, For the beauty of this home God has created for us, for our families and our friendships, let us give thanks to the God of Life.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.
Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for the Church, and especially for Zion of Rome, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God: For the many lay people who serve the church, especially the wardens and vestry of this parish, and all who serve the world through the church. For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, DeDe our diocesan bishop, and all other clergy and bishops that they may make your wisdom in its rich variety known through all faithful people. For those who gather here or in other places for worship and prayer.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for the all the baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith. That all branches of your holy church be granted grace to bear the gifts of truth and love to all your children on earth.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray that God shall give justice to the nations and their leaders, and grant mercy to all whose decisions affect the peace and well-being of the world. Where we have power ourselves, pray that we open our ears to the cries of the weak, the poor, and the needy, and open our hearts to answer their call. Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, and that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for mercy upon those who serve in the armed forces both here and abroad, as well as those of us who journey in sickness, fear, or any kind of trouble and who we now name **from our prayer list:**

Brett McDonell	Cindy DeProspero-Outwater	Marion Sweet
Shirley Reali	David Dutcher	Elena
Charles O'Neill	Georgia Northup	Velma Kirsch
Mark Maginn	Jess Sojka	Erick Kroll
Fr. Jim Heidt	Mary Sue	Brenda Outwater
Meribeth Seaman	Vincent Rescigno	Chrissy O'Connor
Shelley Land	Christine Vecchio-Flaim	Lisa Newman
Ann & Katherine Gambier	Beth Robinson-Cain	The Bird Family
Sandie Latimer	Lucretia Reed	The Allesi Family
Jim Hoffman	Angela Markel	AnnMarie Hunter
Anne Staple	Deborah Grifa	Kristie Mancini
The Howanietz Family	Kelly Lubeck	Susan Bogart

as well as those unnamed by us yet so well known to and loved by God. Pray that they may meet God on God's road with rest, peace, and good cheer.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader: Heaven is come down to earth, and earth is raised to heaven. Pray that God will hold all those who have passed through death in the hope of your coming kingdom, including those loved ones who have passed on and who we now name, aloud or silently in our hearts (.....). Pray that the hope born of Easter give them peace and that they have communion with God who redeems, restores, and renews.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today: In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Church of the Province of Uganda and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Stephen Samuel Kaziimba Mugalu.

And in the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the Diocese of Georgia and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Frank Logue.

In our Diocese of Central New York: We continue to pray for all essential workers, first responders, and health care professionals. We also pray the people of Grace Episcopal Church in Syracuse and their priest, the Rev. Christine J. Day, and the people of St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Syracuse and their priest, the Rev. Julie Calhoun-Bryant.

The General Thanksgiving
Officiant and People

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

HYMN: 174 At the lamb's high feast we sing

The Dismissal

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Officiant:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us evermore. **Amen.**

Postlude: The Strife Is Oer the Battle Done

arr. Alec Wyton

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Officiant for this Service: Annette Clark-Hani
Erick Kroll, Organist and Music Director
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The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries: especially: Stacey Foley

Altar Flowers: Given By: Tina & Mike Rescigno; In Memory of: Frances Schadel

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**M-F: 9-10 AM & 12-1 PM
District ~1st Sat. of the month**

NA

**Mon: 7 PM
Fri: 7 PM
Sat. 11:30 AM**

UPCOMING EVENTS

4/24/23-Vestry Meeting 6 PM Clarke Hall

4/25/23-Ultreya & PM Zion's Parlor

Morning Prayer w/Eucharist-As you may know we were granted special permission by Bishop DeDe to have Eucharist with Morning Prayer; well next Sunday we will do just that and give it a go for the first time.

THIS SUNDAY: The Third Sunday of Easter
April 23, 2023-9 AM-Morning Prayer in Sanctuary & on Zoom

Acolyte
Lay Readers

Annette Clark-Hani
Wayne Osborne

Altar Guild
Church Opener

Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Tina Rescigno– Month of April



NEXT SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023-9 AM-Morning Prayer with Eucharist in Sanctuary & on Zoom

Acolyte
Lay Readers

Wayne Osborne
Mike Rescigno

Altar Guild
Church Opener

Jane Padrón/Michelle Luvisi
Tina Rescigno– Month of April