



THE FIRST READING

Acts 3:12-19

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 4

chant: *Douglas Major*

THE SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-7

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand for the hymn.*

HYMN 305

COME, RISEN LORD, AND DEIGN TO BE OUR GUEST

*Rosedale*

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:36b-48

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*The Gospel is read.*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

THE SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Van Culin

*A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.*

*The people stand.*

THE NICENE CREED

*All*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward.*

*Intercessor* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours (*N.*), and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*N.*); give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died (*N.*), that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The congregation may add their own petitions.*

Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in our congregation who are celebrating a birthday or an anniversary, saying,

*People* **O God, our times are in your hand.  
Look with favor, we pray,  
on your servants as they begin another year.  
Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace,  
and strengthen their trust in your goodness  
all the days of their lives;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**





THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*The people stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us  
as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

*People* **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

*The Gospeller dismisses the people.*

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

HYMN 199

COME, YE FAITHFUL, RAISE THE STRAIN

*St. Kevin*

VOLUNTARY

FUGUE IN A MINOR, BWV 543

*J. S. Bach*