## The Third Sunday of Easter April 15<sup>th</sup> 2018 INTRODUCTION

In today's Scriptures, we have another appearance of the Risen Christ. In each of Jesus' Resurrection appearances He reveals Himself to an apostle or disciple and then instructs that person to go tell others that He is Risen .Through these Resurrection appearances the Lord is taking this group of disciples, broken apart and scattered by His crucifixion and death ,and is reweaving them together around the truth of His Resurrection.

In the Resurrection recounted in today's Gospel reading, the Lord establishes the features that will be part of every authentic Christian community until the end of time including our Christian community gathered here today as God's Family here in God's House, until the end of time: His Peace, His Presence, and His Purpose.