

EASTER SUNDAY
April 12, 2020

+ PREPARATION +

Stand

ACCLAMATION: *Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

INTROIT *Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: Exodus 15:1b*

Pastor: I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;

People: the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.

Pastor: The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation; Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy. You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed; You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode ...The LORD will reign forever and ever.

People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;

People: the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.

CONFESSION OF SINS

Pastor: Even on this joyous day of celebration let us not forget that we are sinful people who do not deserve the precious gift of salvation that God has given us in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

People: Lord God, heavenly Father, we approach You today with mixed emotions. We are filled with sorrow for our sin, yet we are overwhelmed with the joy of forgiveness. We confess that we have not lived up to Your expectations. We have sinned in our thoughts, by our words, and with our actions. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Lord, forgive us all our sins and show us Your mercy and love. Amen.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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People: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

+Service of the Word+

First Reading

Acts 10:34–43

³⁴So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle

Colossians 3:1–4

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life T everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Sermon: "Let Us Live in the Resurrection Power!"

HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" vs 1 - 4 LSB #457

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Pastor: For the Church and her leaders, for pastors and teachers, for all who share the Good News of our resurrected Lord, that You would empower their witness. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: For our national, state, and local leaders, that You would guide and direct them to govern according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: For those who suffer from want and who lack the basic necessities of life, that You would provide for them as You do for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: For those who have lost faith in Jesus, that through the influence of the Holy Spirit and the witness of Christians, they might believe again. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: [Other prayers may be offered here, each ending:] Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer LSB 209

C 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 forever and
Amen. ever.*

Offering

Benedicamus and Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

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