

The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 9, 2023

Welcome to Worship at Zion!

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

We Gather

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **He is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

A new creation has already begun. **The sun has risen!**

In the tomb of Jesus Christ, **we are called to leave behind our sinful nature and all that belongs to the brokenness of the present world.**

Redeemed by God's grace-filled forgiveness, **we are called to follow Jesus into God's new world, overflowing with opportunities to love and serve our neighbor by following Christ's example.**

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GATHERING HYMN

Hymn #365

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

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SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray together...



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and extends God's radical welcome to all people,
because we're all created in God's image.

We Hear & Respond to God's Word

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

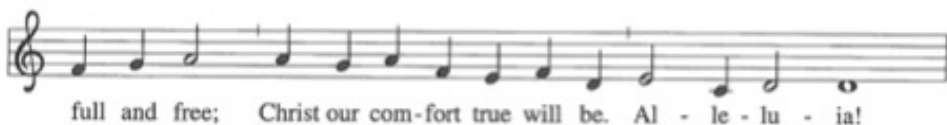
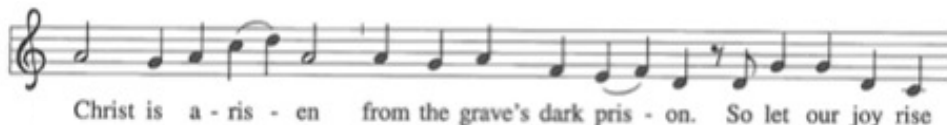
RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

GOD'S MESSAGE FOR ALL

HYMN OF THE DAY

See Insert

"In Christ Alone"

NICENE CREED

Together with all Christians of every time, place, and space, let us confess our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed: **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always! **And also with you.**

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Feast at the Lord's Table

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

"Taste and See"

Hymn #493

BLESSING FOR STRENGTH

We Are Sent into the World

PRAYER FOR SENDING

Let us pray together...**O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Hymn #367, Verses 1 & 4

"Now All the Vault of Heav'n Resounds"

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended. Now the service begins. Go in peace. Share the good news that Christ is risen! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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Today's Readings

Resurrection of Our Lord / Easter Day

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Prayer of the Day

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witness-

es to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

or Jeremiah 31:1-6 [not printed]

Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; tone 2



Give thanks to the LORD,
for the ¹LORD is good;
God's mercy en-¹dures forever.
²Let Israel ¹now declare,
"God's mercy en-¹dures forever."
¹⁴The LORD is my strength
¹and my song,
and has become ¹my salvation.
¹⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation
echo in the tents ¹of the righteous:

"The right hand of the ¹LORD
acts valiantly!
¹⁶The right hand of the LORD
¹is exalted!
The right hand of the ¹LORD
acts valiantly!"
¹⁷I shall not ¹die, but live,
and declare the works ¹of the LORD.
¹⁸The LORD indeed
pun-¹ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o-¹ver to death.

continued

Psalm, continued

19Open for me
the **1** gates of righteousness;
I will enter them
and give thanks **1** to the LORD.
20“This is the gate **1** of the LORD;
here the righ- **1** teous may enter.”
21I give thanks **1** to you,
for you have **1** answered me
and you have become **1** my salvation.

22The stone that the build- **1** ers re-
jected
has become the chief **1** cornerstone.
23By the LORD has **1** this been done;
it is marvelous **1** in our eyes.
24This is the day
that the **1** LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be **1** glad in it.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. **2**Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, **3**for

you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. **4**When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

or Acts 10:34-43 [see p. 1]

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. **2**And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. **3**His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. **4**For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. **5**But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. **6**He is not here; for he has been raised, as he

said. Come, see the place where he lay. **7**Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” **8**So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. **9**Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. **10**Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

or John 20:1-18 [not printed]

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