

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter



PRELUDE *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER LITANY

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

P: We thank you, risen Christ, for leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

C: Breathe your peace on your church and clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life.

P: Almighty God, your love is unconditional, and we are raised up as your people, who will always be made new through your forgiveness, grace and mercy, in the name of the risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN

vss. 1-4 No. 384

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

- 1 That Easter day with joy was bright; the sun shone out with fairer light when, to their longing eyes restore, the apostles saw their risen Lord!
- 2 O Jesus, king of gentleness, with constant love our hearts possess; to you our lips will ever raise the tribute of our grateful praise.
- 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in this our Easter festival, for you will be our strength and shield from ev'ry weapon death can wield.
- 4 All praise, O risen Lord, we give to you once dead, but now alive! To God the Father equal praise, and God the Spirit, now we raise!

KYRIE *Spoken*

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE *Now the Feast* No. 167

REFRAIN **Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy to the God of life and love and freedom: praise and glory forevermore!**

1 **Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God.** REFRAIN

2 **Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever.** REFRAIN

3 **For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new.**

REFRAIN

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

FIRST READING: ACTS 4:32-35

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

PSALM 133 *We read responsively*

L: How good and how pleasant it is,

C: when kindred live together in unity!

L: It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard,

C: upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.

L: It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.

C: For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life for evermore.

SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 1:1--2:2

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

p. 205

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Savior o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un-til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD. PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CHILDREN'S WORD

MESSAGE *Pastor Kris D.H. Ferkin*

HYMN *We Walk by Faith* vss 1-4 No. 635

1 **We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."**

2 **We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod; but in your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"**

3 **Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound to call on you when you are near and seek where you are found.**

4 **For you, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine: beneath the water and the word, beneath the bread and wine.**

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS P: God of grace
C: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING—OFFERTORY--GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit.
C: **May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Spoken*

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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LORD'S PRAYER

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Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

Use Song Sheet

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love.

C: Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen. Alleluia!

BENEDICTION

P: God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,

✠ bless you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

HYMN *Rise, O Church Like Christ Arisen* vss. 1-3

Words-No. 548

Alt. Tune-Praise My Soul No. 864

1 Rise, O church, like Christ arisen, from this meal of love and grace; may we through such love envision whose we are, and whose, our praise. Alleluia, alleluia; God, the wonder of our days.

2 Rise, transformed, and choose to follow after Christ, though wounded, whole; broken, shared, our lives are hallowed to release and to console. Alleluia, alleluia, Christ, our present, past, and goal.

3 Rise, remember well the future God has called us to receive; present by God's loving nurture, spirited then let us live. Alleluia, alleluia; Spirit, grace by whom we live.

DISMISSAL

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

L: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE *We Who Once Were Dead...*

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Sun 4/7	9 AM 10 AM 11 -1:30	WORSHIP S/School, Coffee/FAITH+LEAD 1 KAIC Soup Fundraiser @ Gol Live Auction @ 12:30
Wed 4/10	5 PM -----	Endowment Committee NO Wed Worship
Thu 4/11	1 PM 7 PM	LOVE DAY AA
Sun 4/14	9 AM 10 AM	WORSHIP w/PR. BARB STREED Town Hall Mtg w/PR. BARB S/School, Coffee

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