

Easter Sunday 2021

*The Resurrection of Our Lord*  
GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." Christ is risen!

**C: Christ is risen indeed.**

**Worship:**

**Amen.**

**C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**said.**

bless them, were folded quietly on his breast.

**Opening Hymn: No. 365 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**

P: We worship in the name of the Father, (+) and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

P: The Lord is risen!

P: The feet of Christ which had walked the dusty roads of Galilee lay pierced in the darkened tomb.

**C: Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he**

P: The hands of Christ that had reached out to touch the sick and the lame to heal them and to hold the children to

**C: Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said.**

P: The mouth of Christ, which had proclaimed the words of eternal life, was silenced and still.

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P: The eyes of Christ, which could see both the suffering of people and the glory of God, were closed in death.

**C: Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said.**

P: The ears of Christ, which had heard the cries of the poor and suffering, were deaf to the sounds of the night.

**C: Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said.**

P: The heart of Christ, filled with love and compassion, lay empty and lifeless in his chest.

**afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said.**

P: The blood of Christ, shed for the sins of the world, stained the linen cloth which wrapped him and bound him.

**C: Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said.**

P: The body of Christ given as the true bread from heaven, which had been scourged and nailed to a cross, lay broken on the cold hard stone.

**C: Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said.**

P: The body of Christ — given for you.

**of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.**

**Prayer of the Day:**

P: Let us pray.

**C: 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.**

**Children's Sermon**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

**First lesson: Acts 10:34-43**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

**Second lesson: I Corinthians 15:1-11**

**Sermon**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**Hymn of the Day: No. 395 "Glorious Christian Faith and Praise and Joy"**

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**Sermon**

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**Hymn of the Day No. 385 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!"**

**Apostles' Creed**

**Mission Minute**

**Prayers of the Church**

**Offertory Prayer:**

P: Let us pray.

Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ

**HOLY COMMUNION**

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life.  
our Lord. **C: Amen.**

**Great Thanksgiving ~ Words of Institution**

**Invitation to Communion:**

P: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

**Communion Hymns No. 367, 389, 619 vs. 1, 2, and 8**

P: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the  
the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Distribution of the Elements**

**Post-Communion Blessing and Prayer:**

hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to

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**Blessing**

enrich you with his love, and fill you with joy in the faith. **C: Amen.**

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reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/02/easter-benediction.html>.

P: May the loving power of God, which raised Jesus to new life, strengthen you in hope,

**Sending Hymn: No. 376 "Thine Is the Glory"**

**Dismissal:**

P: Go in peace. Share the good news. **C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. **C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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