

Throughout the 50 days of Easter, paraments in the chancel point us to the good news of Christ's resurrection. The lectern fall during this season announces our Lord's victory over sin and death with a symbol of his death and resurrection. By the cross, our Lord grants forgiveness, and through the empty tomb, Jesus is raised for our justification. This is God's glory and victory, for Christ now reigns over all things.

Second Sunday of Easter

We gather to celebrate and proclaim the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

P = Pastor **A** = Assisting Pastor **C** = Congregation **L** = Leader

Gathering Song

"We Are Called"

We are called (we are called). We are claimed (we are claimed). We are loved
 We are here (we are here). To pro-claim (to pro-claim). God is here

(we are loved) by the ho - ly name. We are healed (we are healed). We are whole
 (God is here); calls us each by name. We are here (we are here). To give praise

(we are whole). The Sav-ior ran-somed our souls— and we're singing
 (to give praise). The love of God will not change— and we're singing

Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, Glo - ri - a.

Oh, ——— Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah.

Glo - ry, Glo - ri - a!

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand.

Invocation

A In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Hymn 389

"Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

TRURO

Confession and Forgiveness

- A** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection.

- A** Let us confess our sin to God our Father. Most merciful God,
- C** we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- A** Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Prayer of the Day

- A** Let us pray. 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.
- C** Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: While the apostles testified to others about the resurrection of Jesus, the early Christian community shared what they owned or sold their possessions to help their fellow believers who were in need.

First Reading Acts 4:32-35

NT page 115, pew Bible

- L** Word of God, Word of Life.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133

How good and how pleasant it is,
 when kindred live together in unity!
 It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard,
 upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.
 It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.
 For there the Lord has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

Second Reading: The opening of this letter serves as a reality check. The reality of God is light, but our confessed reality has been sin. God cleanses us from our sinful reality through Christ’s death so that we live in fellowship with Christ and walk in God’s light.

Second Reading 1 John 1:1—2:2

NT page 228, pew Bible


- L** Word of God, Word of Life.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Valerie Pherson, *Youth and Family Team Lead*

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Hal - le - lu jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Hal - le - lu jah. Hal - le - lu jah.

Gospel Announcement

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

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

Gospel: *The story of Easter continues as the risen Jesus appears to his disciples. His words to Thomas offer a blessing to all who entrust themselves in faith to the risen Lord.*

✚ *Today's preaching text.*

Gospel John 20:19-31 ✚

NT page 109, pew Bible

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Tom Stadem

Silence for reflection.

Please stand.

Song of the Day

"Blessed Are Those"



Blessed are those who do be-lieve. Blessed are those who do be-lieve.

Though they have not seen they trust God faith-ful-ly.

Some peo-ple doubt what they have not seen. They will
As I've been giv-en so I give you to the

not blind-ly fol-low what is said. Oth-ers view
world, for-give the sins of all, bring-ing hope

this as a weak-ness but it can au-then-ti-cate in-
to doubt-ing fac-es, tear-ing down where hat-red builds a

stead. wall. See my nail pierced hands.
And as you bring life

Come touch my wound-ed side. I give what you need for faith
to plac-es here and far, al-ways keep in mind

as you give your trust com-plete-ly
you are not loved for what you do

D.C.

but my Spir-it will guide.
for whose you are.

Nicene Creed: Early in its history, the Nicene Creed was spoken in worship when Holy Communion was celebrated. As weekly communion became the practice in Christian congregations, we now reserve this Creed for festival days and seasons—of which the Easter season is primary.

Nicene Creed

- A** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- C** 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 the Church

A Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Following each petition:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

A Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

A The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated.

Offering

Song

"We Have Seen the Messiah"

We have seen the Mes-si - ah, here for all the world.

We have seen the Mes-si - ah, here for all the world.

Shep- herds came to see the sight, a ba- by born to be the light.
 Ma - ry came with tears of grief, but she found life be- yond be - lief.
 Have you seen the ach - ing hearts, the hu - man hurts, lives torn a - part?

Then they went and spread the word, 'cause they had to tell all they had heard.
 She found joy where she had hurt, when the ris - en Lord appeared to her.
 When we see the least of these, do we real - ly know who we have seen?

Words of Institution: Hear Christ's words of promise spoken again "for you, for the forgiveness of your sin."

Please stand.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

- A** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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 ever. Amen.**
- A** Our risen Lord comes to us in the breaking of the bread with his body and blood, promising forgiveness and new life. Let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven.
- C** **This is the feast of victory for our God! Alleluia!**

Please be seated.

Communion: All who are baptized and trust Christ's word are welcome to the table of this holy supper, where our Lord is truly present, offering his gifts of forgiveness and eternal life. Please come forward at the ushers' direction. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.

Communion

Song

"Lamb of God"

Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world, have
mer-cy up - on us. Lamb of God you
take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the
world. Grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

Hymn 535

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA

Please stand.

Blessing

- A** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C** **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray. Life-giving God, we give you thanks for nourishing us with the bread of heaven, the very body and blood of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. As you send us into the world, keep us steadfast in the promise and life-giving hope of your resurrection, that by the Holy Spirit we might testify to the power and grace of your work for us and all people.

C Amen.

Benediction

P May God who has brought us from death to life grant you faith to trust in Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn 838

"Beautiful Savior"
SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU
Stanzas 1 and 4

Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A Go in peace in the freedom of the risen Lord.

C Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Welcome to Worship

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