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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – *Thomas had missed out. He wasn't there with the other disciples when the risen Jesus appeared that first Easter night to show them His hands and side. Thomas was absent when Jesus breathed on them with His Spirit and sent them out to proclaim His forgiveness. It's no wonder then that when Thomas heard about this encounter, he wanted to see Jesus for himself. "Unless I see, . . . I will never believe," he said (John 20:25). One week after Christ's resurrection, Thomas had his opportunity. He saw. He touched. He believed. He confessed: "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28). Today is your opportunity—don't miss out! Our risen Jesus is here with His Spirit and in His body and blood. We see. We touch. We believe. We confess. As we gather in His presence for worship today, may He fill us with great joy as we continue to celebrate His resurrection victory and confess Him as our Lord and God!*

PRESERVICE MUSIC "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" by Christopher Loemker

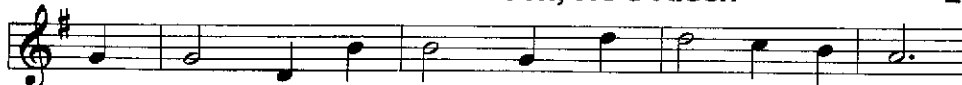
WELCOME

[♫Means please stand; ♪Means please be seated]

♫OPENING HYMN

He's Risen, He's Risen

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1 He's ris - en, He's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;
2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry
3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,
4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Δ 5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate, true Word.
The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.
And death, hell, and Sa - tan He van - quished, His foes.
Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.
Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.

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Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song
 In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,
 The con - quer - ing Lord lifts His ban - ner on high;
 For all our trans - gres - sions His blood does a - tone;
 Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:



And earth, sea, and moun - tain their prais - es pro - long.
 For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.
 He lives, yes, He lives, and will nev - er - more die.
 Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are His own.
 With Fa - ther and Spir - it He ev - er shall reign.

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INVOCATION

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
C Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P** *Alleluia! Christ is risen!*
C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Psalms 91:1-2

- P** *He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.*
C I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
P *Taking refuge in the mercy of the Lord, let us come before Him in prayer.*

[A moment of silence to reflect on God's Word and to examine our hearts before Him.]

- P** *Almighty God, our Heavenly Father,*
C We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. By the things we have done and by what we have failed to do, we have not honored You as we ought, nor have we served others in love. We deserve to be cast from Your presence forever. Yet in Your great mercy, You sent Your Son to die and rise again for us. Help us to know the power of His resurrection and to share in the joy that His forgiveness brings. Enable us to receive Your mercy and be renewed by Your Spirit that we may honor You as the Lord and God in whom we place our trust. Amen.
P *Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hears our prayers and answers them for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ. By faith, we stand at His cross and empty tomb. We find our refuge and sing for joy in the shadow of His wings. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.* **C** Amen.
P *Alleluia! Christ is risen!*
C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

INTROIT

Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

- P** Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
C if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.
P Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
C make known his deeds among the peoples!
P Sing to him, sing praises to him;
C tell of all his wondrous works!
P Glory in his holy name;
C let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
P Seek the LORD and his strength;
C seek his presence continually!
P Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
C his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.
P He remembers his covenant forever,
C the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

All: 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.

- P** Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
C if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

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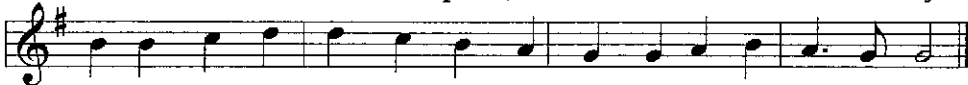
1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va-tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor - ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

All: Almighty God, grant that we who celebrate the triumph of our risen Savior may join with all other witnesses of the resurrection in boldly sharing with the world that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

FFIRST READING

Acts 5:12–20

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Revelation 1:4–18

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

AALLELUIA VERSE

Romans 6:9; John 20:29b

All: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19–31

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

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

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

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

HHYMN OF THE DAY

O Sons and Daughters of the King

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1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!
wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5. When Thomas first the tidings heard
 That they had seen the risen Lord,
 He doubted the disciples' word.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
6. "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
 And look upon My hands, My feet;
 Not faithless but believing be."
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
7. No longer Thomas then denied;
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
8. How blest are they who have not seen
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
9. On this most holy day of days
 Be laud and jubilee and praise:
 To God your hearts and voices raise.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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SERMON *"EASTER SUNDAY'S OVER. NOW WHAT?"* *Revelation 1:4-18*

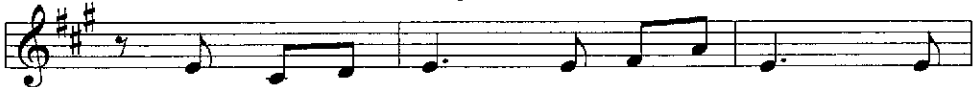
- I. It's easy to forget about Easter, even just one week after Easter Sunday.
- II. John reminds us today that Easter gives us a living hope for every day of our lives.

APOSTLE'S CREED

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 there 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 everlasting. Amen.

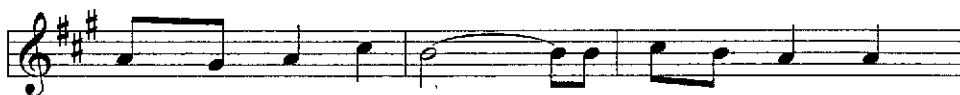
OFFERING *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"* by Richard W. Gieseke

OFFERTORY *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight* LSB 720



1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No
 2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And
 4 For You, O res - ur - rect - ed Lord, Are
 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In

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gra - cious words we hear From Him who spoke as
fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise
may our faith a - bound To call on You when
found in means di - vine: Be - neath the wa - ter
realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.
we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"
You are near And seek where You are found.
and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.
as You are, With full and end - less sight.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Gracious God, You are exalted over all things in heaven and on earth. In Your mercy, You shower us with blessings of both body and soul as You care for Your creation. Enable us to see Your hands at work in our midst that, together with all those who share in the power of Your Son's resurrection, we always say of You:*

C **You alone are Lord and God!**

P *Giver of life, You renew our souls through the power of Your Holy Spirit as we dwell in the shadow of Your wings. As we continue to celebrate the joy of our Savior's Easter victory, grant that Your Church on earth always speaks Your Word with boldness and confidence, that like the first eyewitnesses of Christ's resurrection, we share with all people:*

C **You alone are Lord and God!**

P *You govern all nations with Your mighty and merciful hand, O Lord. Show forth Your favor to the land in which we live, raising up men and women who will serve as godly leaders among us; blessing those who make, administer, and judge our laws; protecting all those who serve in harm's way for the benefit of others; and helping us always to know and believe:*

C **You alone are Lord and God!**

P *In Your Son's earthly ministry, people brought to Him all those who were sick and suffering that He might touch and heal them. This ministry of healing continued through His disciples in the earliest church. Even now, we know that Jesus heals, renews, and restores through the Means of Grace He has provided for our benefit. Place Your healing hand upon those for in need, [especially . . .]. In the shadow of Your healing presence, we boldly confess:*

C **You alone are Lord and God!**

P *We bring all these prayers before You, Gracious Father, in the name of Him who is risen from the dead and reigns with You forever as our Lord and God: Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

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.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ~~+~~ give you His peace.*

C Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

P *Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CLOSING HYMN

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

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Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst,
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped,
 4 He broke the age - bound chains of hell;
 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed Thee,

Now is the vic - tor's tri - umph won;
 But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.
 He ris - es glo - rious from the dead.
 The bars from heav'n's high por - tals fell.
 From death's dread sting Thy ser - vants free

The Refrain is repeated after st. 5.

Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 All glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Let hymns of praise His tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 That we may live and sing to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

“He’s Risen, He’s Risen”

by Jeffrey Blersch

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

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 Altar Guild Elsie Leiker & Sharon Milliken
 Counters.....Mackenzie Egan & Marisa Showalter
 Elder on Duty Tony Williams
 Greeter..... Donna Eaton
 Lay Reader..... Donna Eaton
 Organist / Music Director Beth Buss
 Service Web Recorder..... Robert Showalter
 Service Live Streaming Dave Adam
 Ushers **Phil Vandre, *Naomi Kettner, Cameron Hatton

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