



# **Traditional Worship Service**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, April 19, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

**MESSIAH**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH





(Hymns are from the *Lutheran Service Book*)

## PRELUDE

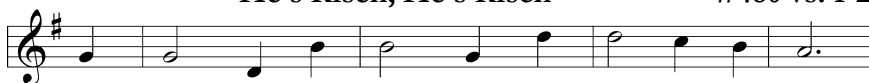
## WELCOME/GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OPENING HYMN

*(Please Stand)*

### “He’s Risen, He’s Risen”

#480 vs. 1-2



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;  
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.



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

*(Greeting and Reminder of our Baptism)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit  
C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

**C: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.**

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P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

**C: Amen.**

## THE INTROIT

Psalm 148

*(Meaning “entrance” as we begin our worship)*

P: Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights above.

**C: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his heavenly hosts.**

P: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.

**C: Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies.**

P: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

**C: He set them in place for ever and ever; he gave a decree that will never pass away.**

P: Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding,

**C: you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,**

P: kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, young men and maidens, old men and children.

**C: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.**

P: He has raised up for his people a horn, the praise of all his saints, of Israel, the people close to his heart. Praise the Lord.

**A: 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.**

### KYRIE *(Asking God to help us in our daily living)*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

### *(Prayer of the Day)*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may, by Your grace, confess in our life and conversation 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.

**C: Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

**Acts 5:29-42**

### *(Reading about God's relationship with His people)*

P: The First Reading for the second Sunday of Easter is from the fifth chapter of Acts.

But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him." When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor

for the name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## THE SECOND READING

I Peter 1:3-9

*(Reading of God's Word in action, accomplishing what it says)*

P: The Second Reading is from the first chapter of First Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith--more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire--may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

*(Please stand)*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



**HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 20:19-31**

*(Reading of an account of Jesus and His ministry)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

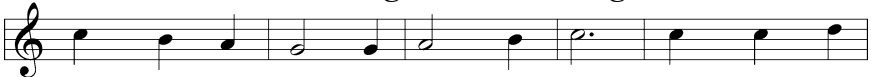


## APOSTLES CREED

**A:** 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 thence 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.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### HYMN "O Sons and Daughters of the King" #470 vs. 1, 6, 7



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  
5 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard That they had



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."  
seen the ris - en Lord, He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word.



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

6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas,  
see,  
And look upon My hands, My  
feet;  
Not faithless but believing be."  
Alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied;  
He saw the feet, the hands, the  
side;  
"You are my Lord and God!" he  
cried.  
Alleluia!

## MESSAGE

*“Seeing the Savior”*

*(We learn what our reading means for us today)*

## OFFERING

*(Gifts and tithes given in response to God’s faithfulness)*

As the offering is being received, we ask that each worship household fill out the attendance “Green Card,” located in your ministry folder. The ushers will collect these cards during the offering. Thank you.

## VOLUNTARY

“I Will Rise”

Scott Schuesler

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in your mercy...

C: hear our prayer.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*(The prayer taught to us by Jesus)*

P: Lord, 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

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

# CLOSING HYMN

## “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

#465 vs. 1-2



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -  
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



praise of love that still a - bounds: “Christ has tri - umphed!  
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: “Christ has tri - umphed!  
heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer  
with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: “Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!” Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and  
He is liv - ing!” Now still He comes to give us  
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's  
Al - le - lu - ia!” Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
life And by His pres - ence stills all  
day That by our lives we tru - ly  
Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: “Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!” Al - le -  
strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing! Al - le -  
say: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Al - le -  
God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing! Al - le -



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

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# POSTLUDE