

Order of Worship + *Easter Sunday*

April 12, 2020

(3x)

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN

LBW #151

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Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Easter Dialog

A: (boldly) Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: (boldly) **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

C. **He gives us new life and hope through his resurrection! Alleluia!**

A. Rejoice then, even in your distress.

C. **We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.**

A. God has claimed us as His own.

C. **God has called us from our darkness into the light of His day.**

A. (boldly) Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C. (boldly) **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

* Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

C: **Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened for us the gate of everlasting life. Give us your continual help; put good desires into our minds and bring them to full effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Lesson:

Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism ³⁵ but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. ³⁶ You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. ³⁷ You know what has happened throughout the

province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached—³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

³⁹ “We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross,⁴⁰ but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen.⁴¹ He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead.⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Praying the Psalms:

Psalm 16

Prayed responsively, with the congregation speaking the verses in bold.

L: Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge.

C: **I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.”**

L: I say of the holy people who are in the land, “They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.”

C: **Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more. I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names on my lips.**

L: Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.

C: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.

L: I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

C: I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

L: Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

C: because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

L: You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

C: Glory 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.

Second Lesson:

Colossians 3:1-4

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

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

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

² There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴ The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵ The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”

⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Children’s Message

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Sermon

Pastor Ken

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Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad - ness Of our Lent - en fast is o'er;
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row That last eve - ning round him lay
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er Death or hell shall us en - thrall;

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
 Through the o - pen gates of glad - ness He re - turns to life once more;
 Now has found a glo - rious mor - row In the ris - ing of to - day.
 Be we Christ's, in him for - ev - er We have tri - umphed o - ver all.

Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him As his light once more ap - pears;
 Death and hell be - fore him bend - ing See him rise, the vic - tor now,
 See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, Spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;
 All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion Of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;

Bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, Ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
 An - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, Glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.
 He was dead, but now is liv - ing; He was lost, but he is found.
 Hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic -
to - rious head! Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ is ris - en from the dead!

* Nicene Creed

- A: Let us profess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize:
 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, look with mercy upon your Church, that it will be a place of peace and joy for the world. Let the whole world come to understand that on Easter, what was fallen is being raised up, what was old is being made new, and what had reason for discouragement now has reason for hope through Him who rose from the grave.

A: Lord, in your mercy,
C: **hear our prayer.**

Bless homes and families, parents and children on this holy day. Give joy to our celebrations even as we are apart, and bring us back together again quickly so we may celebrate your risen life together in safety.

A: Lord, in your mercy,
C: **hear our prayer.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors, and especially we pray for Kay Marshall, and for

Glori Kurth and all those mourning the death of Barbara Koltermann.
Comfort them by your unchanging presence, and rule in their hearts and
minds with your peace.

A: Lord, in your mercy,
C: **hear our prayer.**

For the grace of a holy life, that with the apostles, saints, and martyrs, and all
who have departed this world and died in the faith, we will be accounted
worthy someday to enter into the fullness of the joy that our Lord Jesus has
won for us.

A: Lord, in your mercy,
C: **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C: **Amen**

***Peace of Christ**

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

*** Lord's Prayer**

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: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn

LBW #135

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

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

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; Now is the vic - tor's
2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their le - gions
3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, He ris - es glo - rious
4 He broke the age - bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high

tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!

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

5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded you,
From death's sting free your servants too,
That we may live and sing to you.
Alleluia!

A: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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