

# **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**P** Presiding Minister    **A** Assisting Minister    **C** Congregation

## PASTORAL WELCOME

## PRELUDE

*Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing*

Flor Peeters

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

**P** Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,  
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new,  
leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us  
in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth,  
like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.

Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.

Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

**C** **Make us one, risen Christ.**

**Cleanse our hearts.**

**Shower us with life.**

**P** To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

# GATHERING HYMN:

386 O Sons and daughters, Let Us Sing

O FILII ET FILIAE

Stanzas 1-4



1 O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing  
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day,  
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see,  
 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;  
*Insert stanzas 5-8 if desired.*  
 9 On this most ho - ly day of days,



with heav'n - ly hosts to Christ our king:  
 the faith - ful wom - en went their way  
 who sits and speaks un - to the three,  
 a - mong them came their mas - ter dear,  
 be laud and ju - bi - lee and praise:



to - day the grave has lost its sting! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to seek the tomb where Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee." Al - le - lu - ia!  
 and said, "My peace be with you here." Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to God your hearts and voic - es raise. Al - le - lu - ia!

*After the final stanza*



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!

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

6 "My pierced side, O Thomas, see,  
 and look upon my hands, my feet;  
 not faithless, but believing be."  
 Alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen,  
 and yet whose faith has constant been,  
 for they eternal life shall win.  
 Alleluia!

## GREETING

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** And also with you.

## HYMN OF PRAISE—This is the Feast

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



- C** 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

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**C** 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** 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

**FIRST READING:** Acts 4:32-35

*Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.*

**L** Word of God, Word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 133**

*The Psalm is spoken in unison.*

**<sup>1</sup>How good and how pleasant it is,  
when kindred live together in unity!**

**<sup>2</sup>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.**

**<sup>3</sup>It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.  
For there the Lord has commanded the blessing: life for evermore.**

## SECOND READING: 1 John 1:1--2:2

*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.*

*After the reading*

Ⓘ Word of God, Word of life.

© Thanks be to God.

## TEACHING TIME FOR CHILDREN (& ADULTS)

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The Gospel Acclamation is sung by the congregation and the cantors.*



**THE HOLY GOSPEL:** John 20:19-31

*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.*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

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

*After the reading:*

**P** The Gospel of our Lord.

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

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Please refer to page 4 for the hymn.*

**386** O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

*Stanzas 5-9*

O FILII ET FILIAE

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

- A** Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

- A** You shower your church with grace, O God. Unite the whole church on earth, so that with one heart it testifies to the resurrection of Jesus Christ with power and love. We pray for Christ Episcopal and Fr. John; for Grace Lutheran and Pr. Burl; for Hope Lutheran and Pr. Mary; for Trinity's staff – Pr. Alan, Deaconess Deborah, Karen, Peter, Matt, Rachel, Dave, and Dee; for Common Ground, Pr. Tom, and Michael. Hear us, O God.

- 10 **C** **Your mercy is great.**

- A** You proclaim the blessing of life forevermore. Like dew upon the mountains, refresh your creation. Restore waters, cleanse the air, and provide revitalizing moisture to parched land. Give your whole creation the promise of new life. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** You direct the nations, O God. Guide all in authority, that they shepherd their peoples in the ways of your love. Defeat in us our impulse to war. Bestow the peace of Christ upon those in authority and breathe upon them the Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** You place within the heart of the church a spirit of sharing. Give us the power of your generous Spirit, that we provide for the needs of others. Announce your peace to those who are lonely, hurting, suffering, or afraid. We pray especially for Joan, Linda, Steve, Karin, Luther, Darryl, Jim, Tom, Maggie, Ric, Darlene, and all who have been exposed to or infected by Covid-19. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** You give us fellowship with one another in this faith community. Shine the light of the risen Christ in our life together, so that we live in love for one another, and our joy may be complete. Today we give you special thanks for our members: Lorraine; Russ & Linda; Jonathan, Stacie & Nathan; Catherine; and Annie & Ed. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** You share the gift of eternal life. In thanksgiving and remembrance, we recall the lives and gifts of those who now live in endless joy. Unite us with them in resurrection hope. Hear us, O God.
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**A** You share the gift of eternal life. In thanksgiving and remembrance, we recall the lives and gifts of those who now live in endless joy. Unite us with them in resurrection hope. Hear us, O God.

**C** **Your mercy is great.**

**P** In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

## **PEACE**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

## **ANTHEM**

*Rejoice Now, My Spirit*

Johann Ludwig Bach

Tama McConnell, soloist

## OFFERING PRAYER

- A** God of love, you call us beloved children and bless us with eternal life in you.  
Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to  
a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.
- C** Amen

## THE 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.

## BLESSING

- P** May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the  
risen Lord Jesus. The God of life. Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now  
and forever.
- C** Amen

# SENDING HYMN

548 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

SURGE ECCLESIA



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,  
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low  
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture;  
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;



from this meal of love and grace;  
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;  
 God has called us to re - ceive;  
 cour - age be our dai - ly breath;



may we through such love en - vi - sion  
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed  
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,  
 mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise.  
 to re - lease and to con - sole.  
 Spir - it - ed then let us live.  
 from this day and un - to death.



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.



God, the won - der of our days.  
 Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
 Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
 Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

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## DISMISSAL

- A** Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C** **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
- A** Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
- C** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

*O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing*

David N. Johnson



*We thank Tama McConnell for helping lead worship today.*

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