

Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

Opening Bells and lighting of the candles

Pastor: He is Risen!

**People: He is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Opening Song – “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name, let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race, ye ransom’d from the fall,  
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;  
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all

Lord of all, you are Lord of all; Lord of all, you are Lord of all.

Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe on this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all,  
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Lord of all, you are Lord of all; Lord of all, you are Lord of all;  
Lord of all, you are Lord of all; Lord of all, you are Lord of all.

To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.

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Invocation:

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**All: I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## Absolution

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Collect of the Day:

Pastor: O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## People: Amen

## Readings for the Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 1:17-25

Luke 24:13-35

## Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles<sup>[a]</sup> from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him.

<sup>17</sup> He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?”

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

<sup>19</sup> “What things?” he asked.

“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

<sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup> and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” <sup>35</sup> Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**The Apostles' Creed (Spoken together)**

**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**

Sermon Song – “In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found.  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace.  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my all in all.  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless Babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
“Til on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world, by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the pow’r of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
‘Til He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand!

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Sermon : “It’s all about Jesus!” – Luke 24:27

Prayer of the Church

*After each petition:*

Pastor: Lord in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

**The Lord's Prayer**(Spoken together)

**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

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**All: Amen**

Closing Song – “10,000 Reasons(Bless the Lord)”

**CHORUS**

*Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul  
Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning.  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me;  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find!

**CHORUS**

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come.  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

***CHORUS (2X)***

Worship Your holy name.  
Lord I'll worship Your holy name.

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