

Service of the Word

Sunday, April 11, 2021 Second Sunday of Easter, Year B

Southeastern Iowa Synod

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

PRELUDE

Canzon Seconda A Quattro, Giovanni Gabrieli, Arr. J.C. Sherman Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Iowa City

GATHERING

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,

let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

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.

Make us one, risen Christ.

Cleanse our hearts.

Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God,

now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Thine is the Glory (ELW 376)
Online Choir and Brass
Zion Lutheran Church, Iowa City

Thine Is the Glory



GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35 Mark Witte, Synod Council and member of Faith Lutheran

Church, Calamus

PSALM Psalm 133 Pastor Maureen Howard, Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Washington

SECOND READING 1 John 1:1-2:2 Deacon Andy Langdon, St Paul Lutheran Church,

Davenport

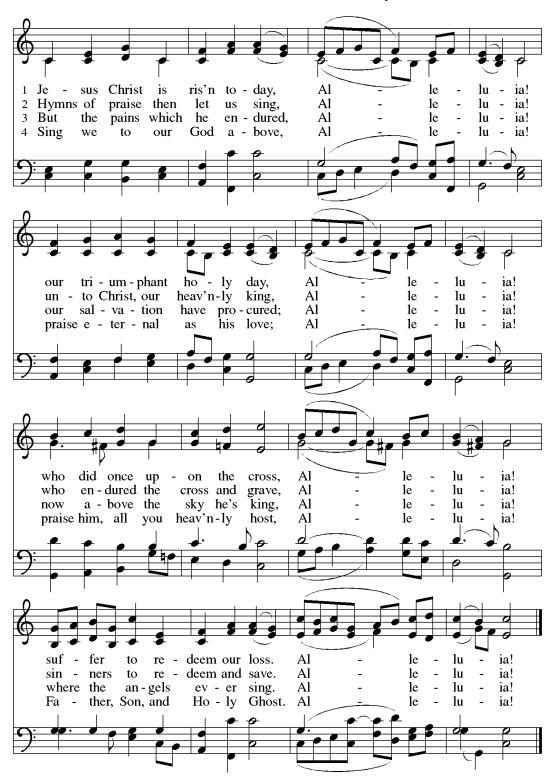
GOSPEL ACCLIMATION Celtic Alleluia (ELW 174) Pastor Sam Giere

GOSPEL John 20:19-31

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SERMON Bishop Amy Current

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER EJ Marple, Elvira Zion Lutheran Church, Clinton

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

OFFERING

Please remember your local worshipping community with your offerings today

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

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

Amen.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor



Text: The odulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE All Creatures of our God and King, Faith Lutheran Church, Eldridge

Thank you for joining us for worship today.

With gratitude for all who shared in worship leadership:

Worship Leaders:

Mark Witte, Faith Lutheran Church,

Calamus

Rev. Maureen Howard, Immanuel Lutheran

Church, Washington

Deacon Andy Langdon, St. Paul Lutheran

Church, Davenport

Inga Dovre, First Lutheran Church, Conroy EJ Marple, Elvira Zion Lutheran Church,

Clinton

Musicians:

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Rev. Sam Giere

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St. John Lutheran Church, Ely

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Tina Elwood-Gehrke, Director

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Iowa City

Daniel Hill Nathaniel Geissel Gary McCurdy Jerry Zinn

Zion Lutheran Church, Iowa City

Online Choir and Brass Ensemble

Technical Director: Val Harlynn

Happy Easter! Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

Bishop Amy Current

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