

April 26, 2020

2nd Sunday after Easter



“I am the
resurrection
and the life.”

-John 11:25

St.

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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PRESERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for the salvation which You have provided for a fallen world by sending your Son to die for us upon the cross. We rejoice in Your grace that in raising Jesus from the dead You have proclaimed that we have remission of sins and everlasting life. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that our faith in Christ as our Risen Lord may be strengthened unto eternal life. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: (p. 5 the Lutheran Hymnal)

HYMN 192:1-5 **Awake, My Heart, with Gladness**

1. Awake, my heart, with gladness, See what today is done;
Now, after gloom and sadness, Comes forth the glorious Sun.
My Savior there was laid Where our bed must be made
When to the realms of light Our spirit wings its flight.

2. The Foe in triumph shouted When Christ lay in the tomb;
But, lo, he now is routed, His boast is turned to gloom.
For Christ again is free; In glorious victory
He who is strong to save Has triumphed o'er the grave.

3. This is a sight that gladdens; What peace it doth impart!
Now nothing ever saddens The joy within my heart.
No gloom shall ever shake, No foe shall ever take,
The hope which God's own Son In love for me hath won.

4. Now hell, its prince, the devil, Of all their pow'r are shorn;
Now I am safe from evil, And sin I laugh to scorn.
Grim Death with all his might Cannot my soul affright;
He is a pow'rless form, Howe'er he rave and storm.

5. The world against me rageth, Its fury I disdain;
Though bitter war it wageth, Its work is all in vain.
My heart from care is free, No trouble troubles me.
Misfortune now is play, And night is bright as day.

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

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins, and by thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen

The Responsive Introit: (Psalm 133 NKJV)

¹ Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is*

For brethren to dwell together in unity!

² *It is* like the precious oil upon the head,

Running down on the beard,

The beard of Aaron, Running down on the edge of his garments.

³ *It is like the dew of Hermon,*

Descending upon the mountains of Zion;

For there the Lord commanded the blessing— Life forevermore.

Hymns 187: Christ Is Arisen

Christ is arisen From the grave's dark prison.

We now rejoice with gladness; Christ will end all sadness.

Lord have mercy. All our hopes were ended

Had Jesus not ascended From the grave triumphantly.

For this, Lord Christ, we worship Thee. Lord, have mercy.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Hallelujah! We now rejoice with gladness;

Christ will end all sadness. Lord, have mercy.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

A NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 36-47

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them,

³⁶ "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?"

³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰ And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." ⁴¹ Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added *to them*. ⁴² And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the

breaking of bread, and in prayers. ⁴³ Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, ⁴⁵ and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.

⁴⁶ So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved. (NKJV)

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:17-21

“And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one’s work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay *here* in fear; ¹⁸ knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. ²⁰ He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you ²¹ who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.” (NKJV)

THE APOSTLES CREED

Hymn 190:1-7 Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

1. Christ the Lord is risen again;
Christ has broken death’s strong chain.
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
Singing evermore on high: Hallelujah!

2. He who gave for us His life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb today.
We, too, sing for joy and say: Hallelujah!

3. He who bore all pain and loss
Comfortless upon the cross
Lives in glory now on high,

Pleads for us and hears our cry: Hallelujah!

4. He whose path no records tell
Hath descended into hell;
He the strong man armed hath bound
And in highest heav'n is crowned. Hallelujah!

5. He who slumbered in the grave
Is exalted now to save;
Now through Christendom it rings
That the Lamb is King of kings. Hallelujah!

6. Now He bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we, too, may enter heaven. Hallelujah!

7. Thou our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, today Thy people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away
That we all may sing for aye: Hallelujah!

THE SERMON: Luke 24:13-35

Theme: Resurrection Enlightenment

- I. The Failing of a Worldly Perspective
- II. Scriptural Perspective for Current Events.
- III. Reaching the Goal

SERMON TEXT: Luke 24:13-35

Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem.

¹⁴And they talked together of all these things which had happened. ¹⁵So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him.

¹⁷And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?"

¹⁸Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?"

¹⁹And He said to them, "What things?"

So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. ²¹ But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened. ²² Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. ²³ When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. ²⁴ And certain of those *who were* with us went to the tomb and found *it* just as the women had said; but Him they did not see."

²⁵ Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" ²⁷ And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

²⁸ Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. ²⁹ But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them.

³⁰ Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke *it*, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight.

³² And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" ³³ So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those *who were* with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ And they told about the things *that had happened* on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread. (NKJV)

OFFERTORY, PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymn 205: The Day of Resurrection

1. The day of resurrection, Earth, tell it out abroad,
The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, From this world to the sky,
Our Christ hath bro't us over With hymns of victory.

2. Our hearts be pure from evil That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light
And, list'ning to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.

3. Now let the heav'ns be joyful, Let earth her song begin,
Let all the world keep triumph And all that is therein.
Let all things, seen and unseen, Their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord hath risen, - Our joy that hath no end.

BENEDICTION;

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hymn 207:2 Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious!

Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious!
Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life!
Death hath now no power o'er us,
Thou hast conquered in the strife.
Thanks because thou didst arise
And hast opened Paradise!
None can fully sing the glory
Of the resurrection story.

CALENDAR

TODAY: No Sunday school or Bible class

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship **on-line! No in-person worship.**
Text: Luke 24:13-35

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 19 worship - 7 (for service recording) No
 Sunday school no Bible class

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,250.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 700.00	
Needed for Year:	\$20,000.00	
	0	
Received for Year:	\$18,173.00	
	0	

Immanuel College Tour Choir: There are hopes that the choir tour **may** be rescheduled for May 24-31.

THE 34th CONVENTION OF THE CLC has been **postponed** until July 30-August 2, Thursday through Sunday in Eau Claire, WI.

DAILY REST SUBSCRIPTIONS: The Daily Rest devotional periodical annual subscriptions are due by the end of this month. Starting this year they will be mailed directly to our homes. The cost is \$15.00 which should be **paid to St. Paul's**. One check from St. Paul's will be sent for the group subscription.