



Easter Sunday • April 12, 2020

PRELUDE

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

arr. Paul Manz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are raised with him to new life.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

P: We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you created us in your image
and planted us in a well-watered garden.
In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched,
and you gave us water from the rock.
When we did not know the way,
you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.
At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side,
and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.
We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font,

and for all water everywhere.
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.
Satisfy the thirsty and give us the life only you can give.
To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

#365

Jesus Christ is ris'n today Alleluia
Our triumphant holy day Alleluia
Who did once upon the cross Alleluia
Suffer to redeem our loss Alleluia

Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia
Unto Christ our heav'nly king Alleluia
Who endured the cross and grave Alleluia
Sinners to redeem and save Alleluia

But the pains which he endured Alleluia
Our salvation have procured Alleluia
Now above the sky he's king Alleluia
Where the angels ever sing Alleluia

Sing we to our God above Alleluia
Praise eternal as his love Alleluia
Praise him all you heav'nly host Alleluia
Father Son and Holy Ghost Alleluia

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4

GREETING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

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C: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

READING FROM ACTS 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

R: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

A READING FROM COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

R: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life, Alleluia.

A READING FROM JOHN 20:1-18

P: The holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord";

and she told them that he had said these things to her.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Rich Wolf

HYMN OF THE DAY

Thine Is the Glory

#376

Thine is the glory risen conqu'ring Son
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay
Thine is the glory rise conqu'ring Son
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won

Lo Jesus meets thee risen from the tomb
Lovingly he greets thee scatters fear and gloom
Let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing
For the Lord now liveth death hath lost its sting
Thine is the glory risen conqu'ring Son
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won

No more we doubt thee glorious Prince of life
Life is naught without thee aid us in our strife
Make us more that conqu'rors through thy deathless love
Bring us safe though Jordan to thy home above
Thine is the glory risen conqu'ring Son
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875-1939

NICENE CREED

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

AM: 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.

AM: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

AM: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

Offerings can be made online or mailed to the church office. Thank you for your continuing support to our ministry during this time.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead
raise you to new life, fill you with hope,
and turn your mourning into dancing.
Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!

#369

Christ the Lord is ris'n today Alleluia

Christians hasten on your way Alleluia

Offer praise with love replete Alleluia

At the paschal victim's feet Alleluia

For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia

Sinless in the sinner's stead Alleluia

Christ the Lord is ris'n on high Alleluia

Now he lives no more to die Alleluia

Christ the victim undefiled Alleluia

God and sinners reconciled Alleluia

When contending death and life Alleluia

Met in strange and awesome strife Alleluia

Christians on this holy day Alleluia

All your grateful homage pay Alleluia

Christ the Lord is ris'n on high Alleluia

Now he lives no more to die Alleluia

Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807-1882, alt.

DISMISSAL

P: Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

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