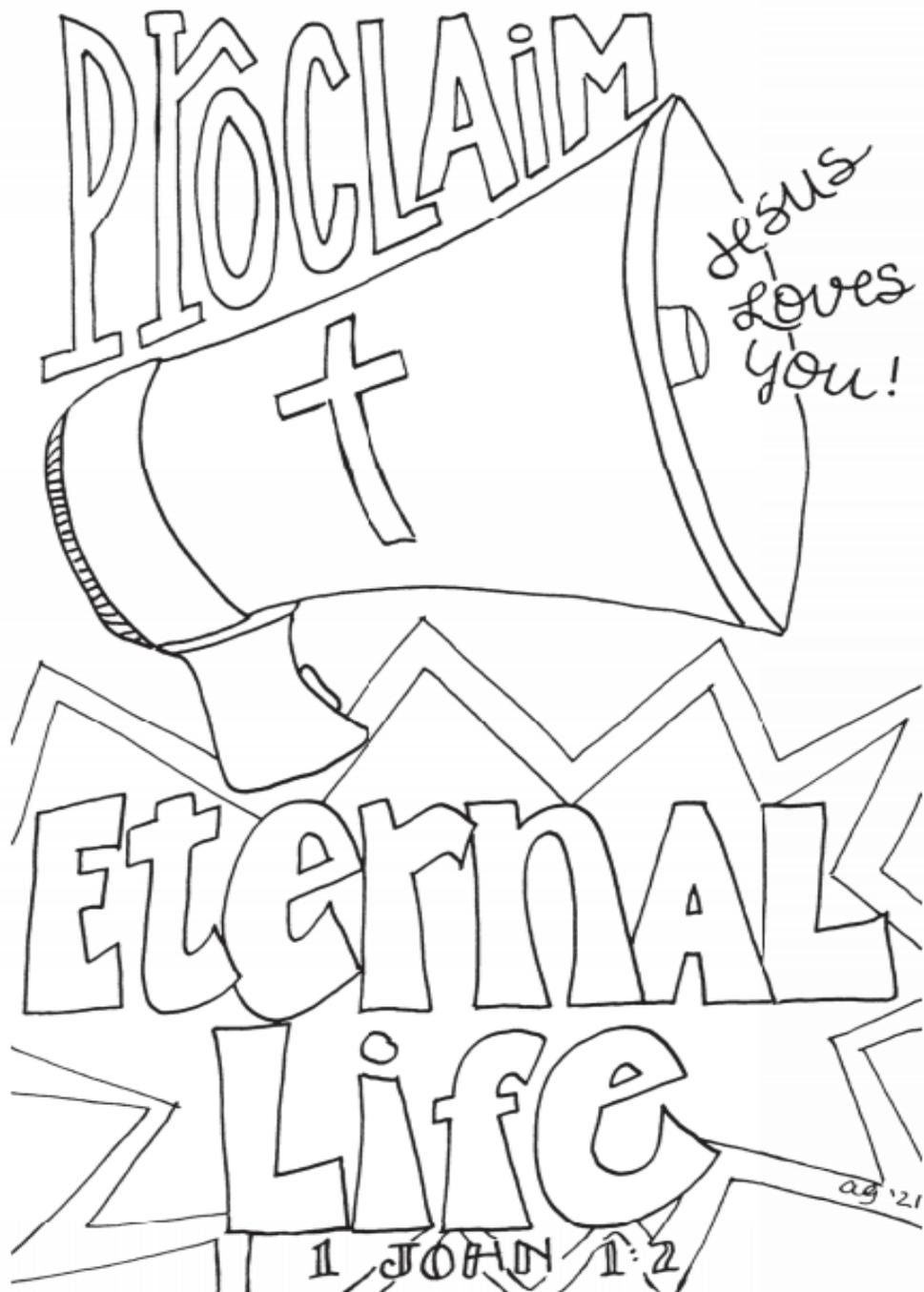


# Christ Lutheran

April 11, 2021



# Second Sunday of Easter

## Prelude

## Welcome

## Opening Song/Hymn

**"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"** LSB 474

**"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia"** LSB 463 (Online)

## Invocation, Confession, & Absolution

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**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 You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C Amen.**

## Song of Praise

**"This Is the Feast"** p. 155 (in person only)

## The Old Testament Lesson

**Acts 4:32-35**

Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **The Epistle Lesson**

**1 John 1:1-2:2**

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Children's Chat**

### **The Holy Gospel**

**John 20:19-31**

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**P** This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!**

## The Affirmation of Faith

## The Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Message Song/Hymn

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" LSB 465  
"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain" LSB 487 (Online)

## Message

"One Heart. One Soul"

## We Go to God in Prayer

**P** Lord, in Your mercy:  
**C** Hear our prayer.

## 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.

## The Lord's Supper

### The Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spirit.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
**C** It is meet and right so to do.  
**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying:

## The Sanctus

LSB 195

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## The Words of Institution

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** The gifts of God for you, God's people.  
**C** Amen.

## We Ask God's Blessings on This Holy Meal

- P** The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season.  
**C** We praise You, Father, and ask Your blessings on this meal, for You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. Amen.

## Distribution Songs

"At the Lamb's High Feast" LSB 633 v. 1-4

"The Day of Resurrection" LSB 478

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB 477

"At the Lamb's High Feast" LSB 633 v. 5-8

## The Post Communion Prayer

- P** Lord God, our Heavenly Father:  
**C** Thank you for this holy meal. Live in us, Lord Jesus, that we may always live in You. Amen.

## Sending

- P** The Lord be with you,  
**C** and also with you!  
**P** Let us bless the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.  
**P** The Lord bless you... and give you peace.  
**C** Amen.

## Closing Song/Hymn

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" LSB 463

"He Is Arisen! Glorious Word" LSB 488 (Online)

## Postlude

*The service is over...the worship begins! Romans 12:1*

What was the most important thing I learned today?



Who can I share Jesus with this week?

Find Words from the Scripture Readings

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R O H I P W X S D G  
D P T M L P S I N S  
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FELLOWSHIP  
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JESUS  
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Dear Jesus,  
Please  
SHINE YOUR  
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so I may  
proclaim  
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I meet.  
AMEN.

## The Hymnal Project

"In early 2017, a group of artists, arrangers, and liturgists, led by Peter Prochnow, were commissioned through the Michigan District, LCMS to create several new hymn arrangements, based on the original music, intended to facilitate enhanced worship in a multitude of modern musical contexts.

The spirit of the project is simple: Hymns are arranged with various instrumentations and made available free of charge, in the form of a lead sheet and reference recording, so whether you learn by reading or by hearing, you can easily implement these arrangements and modify for your context without cost.

We are grateful for the generosity of the donors, Carl and Patsy Fabry, in partnership with the Michigan District, LCMS."

**The hymn videos used during worship can be found here:**

**<https://vimeo.com/showcase/6931887>**

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