

The Second Sunday of Easter - Sunday Morning Worship

On the first day of the week, Jesus came and stood among them, Alleluia.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Alleluia! (John 20:19,20 NRSV)

Invocation

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Hymn LHB 92 Christ the Lord is risen today

Confession of sins

Friends in Christ:

Our Lord Jesus Christ died and victoriously rose again for us, to overcome sin, death, and Satan. So, as people who share his new life, let's confess our sins to God our Father and ask him to forgive us through Jesus.

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of each other.

We confess to you, almighty God, before the whole company of heaven, and to each other, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by our own fault. Have mercy on us, for Jesus' sake, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to eternal life.

Amen.

-Silent confession-

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins.

Amen.

Restore us again, O God our Saviour.

Do not be angry with us any longer.

Psalms 16

Keep me safe, my God,
for in you I take refuge.

You show me the path of life. (Ps 16:11a NRSV)

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;
apart from you I have no good thing."

I say of the holy people who are in the land,

"They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight."

Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.

I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods
or take up their names on my lips.

You show me the path of life.

Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup;
you make my lot secure.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.

I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;
even at night my heart instructs me.

I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

You show me the path of life.

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

my body also will rest secure,

because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,

nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

You make known to me the path of life;

you will fill me with joy in your presence,

with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

You show me the path of life.

Hymn LHB 113 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Prayer of the day

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Let us pray:

Merciful God,

your Son Jesus Christ

is the resurrection and the life,

who gives hope and joy

to those who doubt.

Give to us who do not see you

faith and life and blessing,

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Readings

The First Reading- Acts 2:14a, 22-32

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Epistle Reading - 1 Peter 1:3-9

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel - John 20:19-31

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise be to you O Christ

The Apostles' Creed

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, dead, and 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 catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

**or: Christian; 'catholic' here means 'universal'*

Sermon

Hymn LHB 528 Christ whose glory fills

Offering Prayer

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.
Amen.

Prayer of the church

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Therefore let us come to him in the name of Jesus, to pray for all we need.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the presence of your risen Son among us. Continue to send him by sending your word to convert hearts and minds to faith. Especially sustain us by his holy body and blood in the Lord's Supper.
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Move all pastors to exercise the ministry of forgiveness with compassion and mercy. And move sinners to seek and benefit from your forgiveness through them. Make us all ready to comfort one another with the good news of the gospel.
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for people in mental anguish and racked by doubt in themselves or in you. And we pray for those who find no purpose in life. Give them peace, hope and confidence through the resurrection of Jesus.
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on those who live in areas where there is political or civil unrest, dear Father. Bring peace where there is war, and healing where there is hatred. And move us to help as we are able.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Watch over those who are unwell in mind, body and spirit: especially *(insert names here)*, and comfort those who mourn *(insert names here)*. Provide for all in need, including those known to us personally and whom we now name in our hearts...

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

God of life, show us the risen Lord through your life-giving Spirit, so that we may be filled with faith to do the work you have given us to do. We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

Amen.

Blessing

May the God of peace, who raised from the dead our Lord Jesus, provide you with every good thing you need in order to do his will; Go in peace. The Lord is risen indeed.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn LHB 386 In thee is gladness