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Alleluia! Christ is risen!



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Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN—TUNE & TEXT: LSB 482



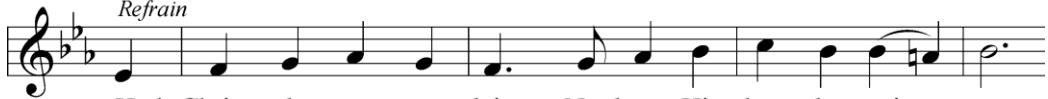
1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son



sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill
slum - ber Till trump from east to west



Has sprung to life this mor - row:
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:
Shall wake the dead in num - ber:



Refrain

Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,



Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

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THE INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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

Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with sincere hearts to confess our sins to God, our Father, and to plead in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ for His forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,

and You forgave the guilt of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

All-Powerful God, our Maker and our Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are sinful and unclean by nature, and also that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, our words, and our actions. And so we flee to find refuge in Your limitless mercy, looking and pleading for Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Most merciful God, who gave Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us, and for His sake forgive us all our sins, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us real knowledge of You and of Your will and real obedience to Your Word so that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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.

Amen.

THE INTROIT

1 Peter 2:2-3 ;Psalm 105:1-5, 8

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation —
if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name;

make known His deeds among the peoples!

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;

tell of all His wondrous works!

Glory in His holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and His strength;

seek His presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that He has done,

His miracles, and the judgments He uttered.

He remembers His covenant forever,

the word that He commanded, for a thousand generations.

THE GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE KYRIE

Mark 10:47

**Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.**

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

Glory to God on high:
and on earth peace, good will toward men.
**We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You,
we give thanks to You for Your great glory.**
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.
For You only are holy; You only are the Lord.
**You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, are most high
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Reading of God's Word

the First Reading: Acts 5:29–42

After the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted;
His majesty is above earth and heaven.

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise Him in the heights!

Praise Him, all His angels;
praise Him, all his hosts!

Praise Him, sun and moon,
praise Him, all you shining stars!

Praise Him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the LORD!
For He commanded and they were created.

And He established them forever and ever;
He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Praise the LORD from the earth,
you great sea creatures and all deeps,
fire and hail, snow and mist,
stormy wind fulfilling His word!

Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!

Beasts and all livestock,
creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and maidens together,
old men and children!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted;
His majesty is above earth and heaven.

He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints,
for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted;
His majesty is above earth and heaven.

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the Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3–9

After the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

the Holy Gospel: John 20:19–31

Glory be to You, O Lord!

After the reading:

Praise be to You, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

Having heard the Word, what do you believe?

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father, and He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one, holy, catholic, 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.

THE HYMN OF THE DAY—TUNE: TLH 208—TEXT: LSB 470, STANZAS 1–6

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| <p>1 O sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p> <p>2 That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p> | <p>3 An angel clad in white they see,
Who sits and speaks unto the three,
"Your Lord will go to Galilee."
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p> <p>4 That night th'apostles met in fear;
Among them came their master dear
And said, "My peace be with you here."
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p> |
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5 When Thomas first the tidings heard
That they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
And look upon My hands, My feet;
Not faithless but believing be."
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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The Sermon

HYMN OF RESPONSE—TUNE: TLH 208—TEXT: LSB 470, STANZAS 7–9

7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days
Be laud and jubilee and praise:
To God your hearts and voices raise.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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The Prayer of the Church

after each petition:

*Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9–13

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 THANKSGIVING COLLECT

Let us pray. Dearest Lord Jesus, Master and Savior, Alpha and Omega, Firstborn from the dead, thanks and praise and glory to You. O risen Brother, Living God, lead us and we will follow You to the cross, to the grave, and to the skies. Amen.

THE BENEDICAMUS

[Psalm 103:1]

Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

Amen, amen, amen.

HYMN TO DEPART—TUNE & TEXT: TLH 201, STANZAS 1 & 4

1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!

**Death no longer can appall me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave will Christ recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.**

2 Jesus lives! I know full well

**Naught me from Him love shall sever.
Life nor death nor powers of hell
Part me now from Christ forever.
God will be a sure defense;
This shall be my confidence.**

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God's People at Prayer

For Home Devotions

The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Readings from Holy Scripture

*These may be read in the morning and evening, as suggested
here, or in any way that best works with your schedule.*

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Su	Exodus 20:1–24	Luke 4:1–15
M	Exodus 22:20–23:13	Luke 4:16–30
Tu	Exodus 23:14–33	Luke 4:31–44
W	Exodus 24:1–18	Luke 5:1–16
Th	Exodus 25:1–22	Luke 5:17–39
F	Exodus 31:1–18	Luke 6:1–19
Sa	Exodus 32:1–14	Luke 6:20–38

Duties of Youth, Widows, and Everyone

*Certain passages of Scripture for various holy orders and positions,
admonishing them about their duties and responsibilities.*

To Youth: Young men, in the same way be
submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe
yourselves with humility toward one another,
because, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to
the humble.” Humble yourselves, therefore, under
God’s mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due
time. 1 Peter 5:5–6

To Widows: The widow who is really in need and left
all alone puts her hope in God and continues night
and day to pray and to ask God for help. But the
widow who lives for pleasure is dead even while
she lives. 1 Tim. 5:5–6

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Verse for Meditation

For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8–9

Hymn

The hymn stanza may be sung or spoken.

How blest are they who have not seen
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

LSB 470:8

Daily Prayer

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

The following topics may guide your prayer each day.

- Su For the joy of the resurrection among us
- M For one’s calling and daily work, coworkers,
and the unemployed
- Tu For deliverance against temptation and evil;
for all who suffer and are afflicted
- W For immediate, extended, and church family;
for our schools, communities, and
neighborhoods
- Th For the Church and her pastors, all who serve
in the congregation, and missionaries
- F For the preaching of the holy cross of our
Lord Jesus Christ; for the sick and dying
- Sa For faithfulness to the end; for receptive
hearts and minds to God’s Word

The Lord’s Prayer

Collect of the Week

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated
the Lord’s resurrection may by Your grace confess
in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and
God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who
lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and forever. Amen.

Readings for the Third Sun. of Easter, April 26

Acts 2:14a, 36–41; Psalm 116:1–14 (v. 5);
1 Peter 1:17–25; Luke 24:13–35