



Metropolitan New York Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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EASTER SUNDAY ✝ SERVICE OF THE WORD

Sunday, April 12, 2020

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

HYMN

*Toma mi mano, hermano,
Cristo resucitó,
ven conmigo a la mesa
que nos ofrece Dios.
Toma mi mano, hermano,
Cristo resucitó.*

*Ven hermano, ven,
toma mi mano y ven,
ven al mesa de nuestro redentor
unidos en la Iglesia
por la fe y el amor.*

*Al ver nuestras tristezas
Cristo al mundo llegó
y en la cruz de sus brazos
nueva vida nos dio.
Toma mi mano, hermano,
Cristo en la cruz murió.*

*El vino de su sangre
nuestro dolor borró
y el pan de harina y vida
nueva vida nos dio.
Toma mi mano, hermano,
alabemos a Dios.*

*Hoy comemos su cuerpo,
trigo de redención,
bebemos de su sangre
vino de cruz y amor.
Toma mi mano, hermano,
alabemos a Dios.*

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

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.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,

u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.
God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy: **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING ✝ ACTS 10:34-43

The digital assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

PSALM ✝ 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for the | Lord is good;
God's mercy en- | dures forever.

Let Israel | now declare,

“God’s mercy en- | dures forever.”

The Lord is my strength | and my song,
and has become | my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the righteous:

“The right hand of the | Lord acts valiantly!

The right hand of the Lord | is exalted!
The right hand of the | Lord acts valiantly!”

**I shall not | die, but live,
and declare the works | of the Lord.**

The Lord indeed pun- | ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o- | ver to death.

**Open for me the | gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks | to the Lord.**

“This is the gate | of the Lord;
here the righ- | teous may enter.”

I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me
and you have become | my salvation.

The stone that the build- | ers rejected
has become the chief | cornerstone.

**By the Lord has | this been done;
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

This is the day that the | Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

SECOND READING ✝ COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

The digital assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ✝ MATTHEW 28:1-10

*At the announcement of the gospel the digital assembly responds:
Glory to you, O Lord.*

*At the conclusion the digital assembly responds:
Praise to you, O Christ.*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY



1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row that last eve - ning round him lay
4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re - turns to life once more;
now has found a glo - rious mor - row in the ris - ing of to - day.
We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri - umphed o - ver all.



Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
death and hell be - fore him bend - ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,
See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;
All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
an - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.
Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.



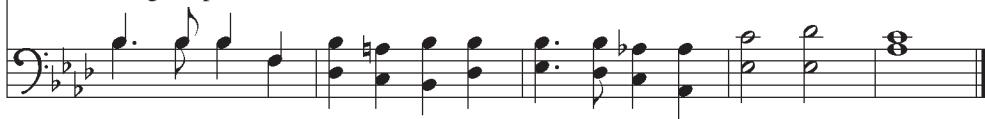
Refrain



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!



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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 OF INTERCESSION

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.

A brief silence.

God of resurrection, from the very beginning you give the church the gift of women as your witnesses: as preachers, teachers, and leaders. Open our ears to their proclamation this day and always. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

All your creation praises you—the earth hums, the seas pulse, the stars shine, and the galaxies whirl in glorious harmonies to honor you. Let us hear and blend our voices in the song. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The countries of the world experience disunity and conflict; we set our minds on fear, and anxiety, and greed rather than on your rule of justice and steadfast love. Build up all countries on your cornerstone of peace. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We still weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn. Cradle the fearful, the suffering, and the dying, assuring them of your loving presence. Be with all of us as we live through these anxious times. Guide caregivers and healthcare workers that they may restore your people to health and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Bless the creative and helpful digital service of worship leaders this day: musicians, ushers, greeters, worship assistants, preachers, readers, choirs, and all others who provide welcome and hospitality in our midst. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Please share any additional intersections in our comments.

Risen Lord, you went ahead of us into the grave and defeated the powers of evil. We remember those who have died. Inspire us to live our lives in this resurrection hope and draw us to you in our final days. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✡ give you peace.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Have faith in this world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Suenen campanas, suenen tambores
suenen guitarras y hosannas a Dios.
Renace el día, surge la luz
cantemos hermanos un himno a Jesús.

Porque Cristo resucitó **[3 times]**

Canta el ave, brinca el ganado
toda tristeza ya es del pasado.
Hoy la alegría inunda a los hombres
del chico al más grande, del rico al más pobre.

Porque Cristo resucitó **[3 times]**

Un hombre nuevo surge en el mundo
hay en las cosas un cambio profundo.
Pascua de Cristo, resurrección
paso del hombre a la vida de Dios.

Porque Cristo resucitó **[3 times]**

Desde hoy la muerte ha sido vencida
y es nuestra fe un canto a la vida.
Suenen campanas, suenen tambores,
suenen guitarras y hosannas a Dios.

Porque Cristo resucitó **[3 times]**