

April 12, 2026

Second Sunday of Easter

The Order of Morning Service

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The Opening Hymn

No. 201

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

The Confession of Sins and Absolution

Please Rise

The Introit

Hymn No. 296, verse 2

All: (♪)

Oh, what blessing to be near Thee and to hearken to Thy voice!
May I ever love and fear Thee that Thy Word may be my choice!
Oft were hardened sinners, Lord, struck with terror by Thy Word;
But to him who for sin grieveth comfort sweet and hope it giveth.

Gloria Patri

All: (♪) 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

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The Gloria in Excelsis

The Salutation

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The Collect for the Day

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God, that we who have celebrated
the solemnities of the Lord’s resurrection, may; by the help of Your
grace, bring forth the fruits thereof in our life and conduct; through the

same, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

(♪) Amen.

The Small Catechism

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The First Lesson

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 (NKJV)

¹⁴ But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them,

²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know—²³ Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; ²⁴ whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. ²⁵ For David says concerning Him:

'I foresaw the Lord always before my face,

For He is at my right hand, that I may not be shaken.

²⁶ Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad;

Moreover my flesh also will rest in hope.

²⁷ For You will not leave my soul in Hades,

Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life;

You will make me full of joy in Your presence.'

²⁹ "Men and brethren, let me speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb

is with us to this day. ³⁰ Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne, ³¹ he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.

The Gradual

ALL (spoken Responsively):

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!:

Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

The angel of the Lord descended from heaven:

And came and rolled back the stone from the door and sat upon it. Hallelujah!.

The Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:3-9 (NKJV)

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to

praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,
8 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not
see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and
full of glory, 9 receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of
your souls.

The Triple Hallelujah

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The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31 (NKJV)

Congr: (♪)Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

¹⁹ Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

²¹ So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." ²² And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴ Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord."

So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

²⁶ And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" ²⁷ Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

²⁸ And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Congr: (♪)Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

The Apostles' Creed

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Hymn

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"Ye Sons and Daughters of the King"

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The Offering

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The Lord's Prayer

Hymn

“Like the Golden Sun Ascending”

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The Benediction

The Closing Hymn

“Hallelujah! Jesus Lives”

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