

Second Sunday of Easter  
April 11, 2021

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

**Introit:** *Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

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.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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**Kyrie**

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C** Amen.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**
- P** 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.  
**C** Amen.

**First Reading**

*Acts 4:32–35*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual**

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

**[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.**

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

**he has put all things under his feet.**

**Epistle Reading**

*1 John 1:1–2:2*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia and Verse**

- C** Alleluia.  
**Lord, to whom shall we go?**  
**You have the words of eternal life.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel Reading

*John 20:19–31*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.  
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Psalm 148

- <sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
**praise him in the heights!**  
<sup>2</sup>Praise him, all his angels;  
**praise him, all his hosts!**  
<sup>3</sup>Praise him, sun and moon,  
**praise him, all you shining stars!**  
<sup>4</sup>Praise him, you highest heavens,  
**and you waters above the heavens!**  
<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD!  
**For he commanded and they were created.**  
<sup>6</sup>And he established them forever and ever;  
**he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**  
<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth,  
**you great sea creatures and all deeps,**  
<sup>8</sup>fire and hail, snow and mist,  
**stormy wind fulfilling his word!**  
<sup>9</sup>Mountains and all hills,  
**fruit trees and all cedars!**  
<sup>10</sup>Beasts and all livestock,  
**creeping things and flying birds!**  
<sup>11</sup>Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
**princes and all rulers of the earth!**  
<sup>12</sup>Young men and maidens together,  
**old men and children!**  
<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
**for his name alone is exalted;**  
**his majesty is above earth and heaven.**  
<sup>14</sup>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!**

Sermon: “Seen, Heard, Proclaimed” 1 John 1:1-2:2

## Apostles’ Creed

- C** **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, died and was 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 Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

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

- P**...through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**C** **Amen.**

## 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.**

## Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.  
**C** **Amen.**

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