

Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

Theme: Two travelers walked a lonely highway mourning their friend, mentor, and teacher. One quiet stranger would change everything.

PRELUDE

CALL OF WORSHIP

Weeping may linger for the night **But joy comes in the morning.**
You have turned our mourning into dancing **And replaced our sackcloth with garments of joy.**
We will never stop giving thanks **For you have raised us out of death and sorrow.**

GATHERING SONG

Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Lord I lift Your name on high. Lord I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.

**You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord I lift Your name on high.**

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: **Gracious God, The risen Lord walked with his disciples and turned their grief into joy. Walk also with us along our path of service and cheer us with your presence. Amen**

FIRST READING:

Psalm 30

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL:

Luke 24:13-35

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 24th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
The reading concludes: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

SERMON HYMN

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

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**That Easter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light,
when, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.
O Jesus, King of gentleness, do thou thyself out hearts possess
to you our lips will ever raise the tribute of our grateful praise.**

**O Christ, you are the Lord of all in this our Easter festival,
For you will be our strength and shield from every weapon death can wield.
All praise, O risen Lord, we give to you, once dead, but now alive!
To God the Father equal praise, and God the Spirit, now we raise!**

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. God of Life, **Hear our prayer**

Incline your ear to our prayers and fill us with power to begin living out our faith, by the power of your Son our savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns (vs. 1,3,4)

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Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love--behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save. His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Go in peace. Stay safe and be safe. Share the good news!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE