

✠ St. Paul's Lutheran Church ✠

Kenesaw, NE

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Sunday School 9:00am/ Bible Class 9:30am
Divine Service 10:00am

Second Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2020

As We Gather

Easter is not merely a Sunday, but a season. While it may be difficult to sustain Easter Sunday's enthusiasm, our hope is not diminished even by fears and struggles. Jesus reminds us that "because He lives, we will live also." This is His promise and the inheritance that belongs to God's people.

Divine Service

(Adapted from Hymnal Supplement-CPH)

Confession and Absolution

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you,

C: that God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all.

P: If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness,

C: we lie and do not practice the truth.

P: But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light,

C: We have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. *(1 John 1:5-7)*

All: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love, according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. *(Psalm 51:1-2)*

P: God has spoken to you, His people, in this way: "Your guilt is taken away; your sins are forgiven for Christ's name's sake."
(Isaiah 6:7, 1 John 2:12)

C: Amen.

Psalm 148

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 SPIRIT; AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND
WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN.**

Kyrie

P: Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: Christ, have mercy upon us.

All: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with your spirit.**

P: Let us pray...one God now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

First Reading Acts 5:29-42

Gradual

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

All: 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 I John 5:4-10

(Rise)

Verse

Rom. 6:9; John 20:29b

All: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel John 20:19-31

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(After the reading)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Apostles' Creed *(Back of Hymnal)*

Sermon "Your Faith Overcomes the World" (I John 5:4-5)

Remembering Our Offerings

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

P: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ †, to whom be glory forever and ever. (*Hebrews 13:20-21*)

C: Amen.

Doxology

