

# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*April 11, 2021*

Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** afterwards, or indicate such together **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' located in each pew.

**(Bold – Congregation speaks**

**Bold Italic – Congregation sings or chants**

**Hymns in folder)**

### **The Order of Service without Holy Communion**

**Prelude:**

**Hymn –#187**

*“Christ is Arisen”*

**Invocation:**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

***Amen.***

**Confession of Sins and Pronouncement of Grace:**

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

***Who made heaven and earth.***

I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

***And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.***

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. ***Amen.***

**Introit:** *Ps. 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.

**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.

**Gloria Patri:**

***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:**

***Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.***

**The Gloria in Excelsis:**

***Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.***

***O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.***

***Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

**The Salutation:**

The Lord be with you.

***And with thy spirit.***

Let us pray:

**The Collect for The Day:**

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. ***Amen.***

**+ The Catechism Review – The Apostles' Creed**

*What is The Second Article?*

**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.

*What does this mean?* I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

### **The First Reading: Acts 4:32–35**

<sup>32</sup>The full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. <sup>33</sup>And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold <sup>35</sup>and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

### **The Epistle: 1 John 1:1–2:2**

<sup>1</sup>That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—<sup>2</sup>the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—<sup>3</sup>that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

<sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup>If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

<sup>2:1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the

righteous. <sup>2</sup>He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**The Triple Hallelujah:**  
***Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!***

**The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31**

***Glory be to Thee, O Lord!***

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

***Praise be to Thee, O Christ!***

**The Apostles' Creed:**

**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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right**

hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

**Hymn #208** "Ye Sons and Daughters of the King"

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| v. 1. All | 6. Men   |
| 2. Women  | 7. Men   |
| 3. Men    | 8. Women |
| 4. All    | 9. All   |
| 5. Women  | 10. All  |

(At 7:00 p.m. everyone sings all the verses.)

**Sermon – "Peace to You" John 20:19-21**

- I. Peace from Jesus' presence.
- II. Peace from Jesus' power.
- III. Peace from Jesus' pardon.

**The Offertory** (*stand*)

***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation: and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.***

**Presentation of the Offerings**

**The Prayer of The Church**

**The 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.**

**Hymn – #192, v. 1, 2, 3, 6, 8**

**"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"**

**The Collect for The Word / The Church** (*stand*)

**Amen.**

## **The Benediction**

The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

***Amen, Amen, Amen.***

## **Hymn – LSB #465**

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

## **Silent Prayer & Postlude**

**+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +**

## **DAILY READINGS**

April 11: Ex. 20:1–24; Luke 4:1–15; 12: Ex. 22:20–23:13; Luke 4:16–30; 13: Ex. 23:14–33; Luke 4:31–44; 14: Ex. 24:1–18; Luke 5:1–16; 15: Ex. 25:1–22; Luke 5:17–39; 16: Ex. 31:1–18; Luke 6:1–19; 17: Ex. 32:1–14; Luke 6:20–38.

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