



Our Redeemer

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Wounds of Christ Give Us Life

“For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood” (1 John 5:7). These three point to Christ and flow from Christ. Jesus shows His disciples His hands side, from which blood and water flowed, saying “Peace be with you.” He presents the wounds which turn our fear to gladness and which restore us to the Father. Jesus breathes on His disciples and says, “Receive the Holy Spirit” (John 20:23). His breath, His words are Spirit and life. They raise up our dry, dead bones and give us new and everlasting life (Ezek. 37:1–14). Christ now gives His ministers to speak His forgiving, Spirit-filled words to the penitent in His stead. Our Lord continues to come to His people, presenting His wounds to us in the Sacraments of water and blood. He bids us to touch His side at His table, to receive His risen body and blood in true faith, that believing we may have life in His name.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, Alleluia,

long for the pure spiritual milk [of the Word.] Alleluia

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

I saw water flowing from the Temple, from its right-hand side, alleluia:

And all to whom this water came were saved and shall say: Alleluia, Alleluia!

P May almighty God cleanse us of our sins, and through the celebration of this Eucharist make us worthy to share at the Table of His Kingdom.

C Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

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C This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Refrain

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. Refrain

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. Refrain**

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

EPISTLE~ 1 John 5:4-10

⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son.

After the Lesson:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia. He has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee. Alleluia.

Eight days later Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL~ St John 20:19-31

L The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹On 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." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So 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."

²⁶Eight 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." ²⁷Then 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." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but 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.

After the Gospel:

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

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SERMON

"Year of Catechesis: The Fourth Commandment"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

Almighty God, You brought us up out of the Egypt of hell and into the Zion of Christ's Church through the Red Sea of the baptismal font. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit, that as we continue to wend our way through the wilderness of this sinful world, we would long for the pure spiritual milk of Your Word and receive the sustenance we need, until we are brought to the Promised Land of the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, Your Son appeared to His disciples in His resurrected flesh to ordain them and to send them out into the world, that repentance and the forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name. Continue to raise up for us faithful men to serve in the Office of the Holy Ministry, and sustain those whom You have sent with courage and endurance. Bless their service among Your people who, with St. Thomas, confess Jesus as their Lord and God. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, You sent Your Son to proclaim liberty to the captive, and You delivered the apostles from imprisonment according to Your will. Remember those who are imprisoned or held captive, whether justly or unjustly. Deliver them according to Your wisdom and mercy, and grant that they might hear Your Word and rejoice with penitent hearts that they are set free from sin, death and the devil. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, remember those who have wandered from the household of faith. Faithful to Your promises, work all things in their lives to remind them of their need for Your unending grace and steadfast love, that they might return to the faith and rejoice in Your Son who has died and is risen for them. As You sustained the exiles in Babylon, so sustain Your scattered Church until all may gather together again at Your table. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, You appoint rulers and officials for the sake of order and peace. Bless those whom You have placed in authority over us at the federal, state and local levels. Give to them the desire to serve with integrity and honor, and to work for the benefit of all. Protect them, give them health, and direct them wisely in their response to the ongoing pandemic. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, look with mercy upon all who suffer in this vale of tears; those isolated, ill or endangered from the coronavirus; and those we remember now [*especially Prayer requests below*]. Provide them with loving and compassionate care, and comfort them with the reminder that everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world, and that, believing that Jesus is the Christ, they have life in His name. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, as Your risen Son visited His disciples on the eighth day of the resurrection, so He visits us in His Word and Sacrament whenever Christians are gathered together in His name. Bless those who come to receive Him at the holy altar this day. Open their mouths, that they would be filled with the sweet honey of Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins. Comfort and sustain those who are unable to gather together this Lord's Day for Your Holy Sacrament. Preserve us in the faith, that, together with all the saints who have gone before us, we may be raised to live forever in Christ's kingdom, which has no end. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through faith in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

(While we aren't able to gather for public worship, please remember to contribute financially for the support of the Church)

BENEDICTION

P May the Almighty God bless us, the Father, **†** the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

PARISH NOTES *and* PRAYERS

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Collect during a Pandemic

Almighty God, heavenly Father, give us grace to trust You during this time of illness and distress. In mercy put an end to the epidemic that afflicts us. Grant relief to those who suffer, and comfort all that mourn. Sustain all medical personnel in their labors, and cause Your people ever to serve You in righteousness and holiness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER PETITIONS

Mon	For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism
Tues	For deliverance against temptation and evil
Wed	For marriage and family to live according to the Word of God
Thurs	For the church and her pastors and other servants
Fri	For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ
Sat	For faithfulness to the end
Sun	For the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments

CATECHESIS

PSALM

The 127th Psalm

VERSE

“Honor your father and your mother.” Ex. 20:11

HYMN

These are the Holy Ten Commands! LSB 581, st. 5.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon	Luke 4:16-30	Ex. 22:20-23:13
Tues	Luke 4:31-44	Ex. 23:14-33
Wed	Luke 5:1-16	Ex. 24:1-18
Thurs	Luke 5:17-39	Ex. 25:1-22
Fri	Luke 6:1-19	Ex. 31:1-18
Sat	Luke 6:2-38	Ex. 32:1-14
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