



ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 8, 2018 AT 10:30 A.M.

TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INTRODUCTION

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John.

Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread.

From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.



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*Please stand if able P: Pastor; A: Assisting Minister; C: Congregation (ELW—red book; WOV—blue book)

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Gary Haddock
*Confession and Forgiveness ELW p. 116-118
*Sharing the Peace P: The peace of the Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**
*Gathering Hymn "Morning Has Broken" ELW #556
*Apostolic Greeting ELW p. 120
*Prayer of the Day
P: Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: **Amen.**

WORD

Children's Sermon Rev. Gary Haddock
Lessons Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1--2:2 Zach Gardner
*The Holy Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia, Alleluia..." ELW p. 124
*The Gospel Reading P: The holy gospel according to St. John . C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** John 20:19-31
P: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**
The Sermon Rev. Gary Haddock
*Hymn of the Day "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!" ELW #619 (vs. 1-4)
*Apostles' Creed ELW p. 127
*Intercessory Prayer A: Lord in your mercy. C: **Hear our prayer.** Zach Gardner

MEAL

The Offering / Offertory Myra Long
*Offering Presentation / Response "Doxology" ELW #884
*Offertory Prayer A: Let us pray... C: **Amen.** Zach Gardner
*The Eucharistic Prayer V ELW p. 65-66
*The Lord's Prayer Traditional ELW p. 134
Distribution
Holy Communion Invitation: We welcome all who are baptized to the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Communion is served by Intinction. You will be given a wafer, which you then dip into the chalice of wine. If unable to come forward, stand where you are, and you will be served there. Children who are baptized are welcome to commune.
Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ELW p. 135
Distribution Hymn "Let Us Break Bread Together" ELW #471
*Post Communion Blessing
*Post Communion Prayer A: Let us pray... C: **Amen.** Zach Gardner

SENDING

*The Benediction P: Almighty God . . . C: **Amen.**
*Sending Hymn "Thine Is the Glory" ELW #376
Dismissal P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

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FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in honor of all family and friends celebrating birthdays in April by Ron & Hilka Cox.

ACTS 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

PSALM 133

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

1 JOHN 1:1--2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. 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; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

JOHN 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So, the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

LITURGY - WORK OF THE PEOPLE

Presiding Pastor: Rev. Gary Haddock

Assisting Minister: Zach Gardner

Acolyte: Quentin Caudill

Communion Assistants: Nicky Setzer, Jonathan Ray

Altar Guild: Hilka Cox, Paul & Kathy Gibson

Director of Music/Organist: Myra Long

Tabulators: Dotty Isenhour, Chris Cloninger, Nicky Setzer

Deacons: Tiffany Caudill, Tanya Stephenson

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