

Zion Lutheran Church
Glen Rock, PA
Easter Day/Resurrection of Our Lord
LBW Setting Two
Sunday, April 12, 2020

Introduction to the day

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, “God shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34): Christ’s resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God’s faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God’s endless love.

***RESURRECTION OF THE ALLELUIA:**

Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels; rejoice now all creation; sound out, trumpet of salvation and celebrate the triumph of our King. Rejoice too, earth, in the radiance of the light poured upon you, and, made brilliant by the brightness of the Everlasting King, know that the ancient darkness has been banished forever. Rejoice, O Church, clothed in the brightness of this light. Let this house ring out with rejoicing, with the praises of God’s people.

The “Alleluia” banner buried at the beginning of Lent is brought out and carried into the gathered assembly.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

This is the day which the Lord hath made!

Alleluia!

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

Alleluia!

This is the feast of victory for our God!

Alleluia!

The Lamb of God lives and reigns!

Alleluia!

The Son of God sits high and exalted on His eternal throne!

Alleluia!

This is the feast of victory for our God!

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. Alleluia!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise. Alleluia!

It is indeed right and salutary that we should sing praise to God with all our hearts and minds.

We pray, dear Lord, that we and all your faithful people, governed, guided, and protected by your loving care, may celebrate this Easter festival in peace, and at the last, when our work on earth is done, reach our heavenly home, and join with all the saints in saying. Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power be to the Lord our God. Alleluia!

Amen.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power;

how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that ⁴⁴everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

²**Let Israel now proclaim,
“His mercy endures forever.”**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

¹⁵**There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous:**

¹⁶“The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!
The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!”

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.**

¹⁸The LORD has punished me sorely,
but he did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰“This is the gate of the LORD;
he who is righteous may enter.”

²¹**I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.**

²²The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**This is the LORD’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴On this day the LORD has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND LESSON: Colossians 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Sorrow gives way to “fear and great joy” when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

***NICENE CREED (LBW p. 84)**

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

***THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (LBW p. 85)**

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God of resurrection, from the very beginning you give the church the gift of women as your witnesses: as preachers, teachers, and leaders. Open our ears to their proclamation this day and always. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

All your creation praises you—the earth hums, the seas pulse, the stars shine, and the galaxies whirl in glorious harmonies to honor you. Let us hear and blend our voices in the song. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

The countries of the world experience disunity and conflict; we set our minds on fear and greed rather than on your rule of justice and steadfast love. Build up all countries on your cornerstone of peace. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We still weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn. Cradle the fearful, the suffering, and the dying, assuring them of your loving presence (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Bless the creative and helpful service of worship leaders this day: musicians, ushers, greeters, worship assistants, preachers, readers, and all others who provide welcome and hospitality in our midst. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Risen Lord, you went ahead of us into the grave and defeated the powers of evil. We remember those who have died. Inspire us to live our lives in this resurrection hope and draw us to you in our final days. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

***PEACE (LBW p. 86)**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

***LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

***BLESSING (LBW p. 94)**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and [†] give you peace.

Amen

***DISMISSAL (LBW p. 94)**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 4/19/20

Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Bailey, Lee Cook, Brian Dell, Betty Gaither,
Shannon Hildebrand, Ann Krout, Karen Landis, Don Miller,
Jim Ream, Kenny Rohrbaugh, Susette Stallard, Karen Stine, Earl Williams

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An important update from Zion's Council: Given the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic, all church activities will continue to be **CANCELED until further notice.** Further updates will be given, as our county and state officials give guidance and direction. As always, please check Zion's website at www.zionglenrock.org or call the office at 717-235-3276 to check for updates.

Sight & Sound Theatres has announced their stage production of “Jesus” will be airing on TV Easter weekend. Tune in to TBN (Trinity Broadcasting Network) on Saturday, April 11th at 1pm ET as the greatest rescue story of all times comes to life right in your living room. (Locally, TBN can be found on Comcast Xfinity channel 16, Directv channel 372, and Dish channel 260.) The show can also be streamed anytime Friday, April 10th through Sunday, April 12th on the TBN app or at www.tbn.org.

Remote worship options are available in this time of physical separation from each other.

If you have an internet connection, click or copy the link provided below. *You should do this prior to designated start time, as there may be a download that needs to happen before you can enter the meeting ID number.* Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/7527077666>
Meeting ID: 752 707 7666

The start time for the live streaming service on Sunday, 4/12, is 10am.

If you do NOT have internet connection, use the phone number provided below to join.

The new toll-free number for worship service on Sundays at 10 am is: (862) 799-9807

Participants will be asked to introduce themselves, but it is not necessary to do this. You also do not need to enter any information/password/key.

Recorded services are also available on Zion Lutheran Church’s Facebook page.

A new opportunity to worship has recently been shared with Zion. St. Matthew Lutheran Church, York broadcasts their 11:00am Sunday service on FM 98.9 radio station. Some familiar names to many at Zion, Rev. Kevin Shively and Rev. Keith Fair, both serve at St. Matthew’s.

Many of you are mailing or dropping off your regular church offering, and for that we are very thankful. Although the church building is closed to the public, Zion continues to have day to day expenses for providing ministry, and your contributions are used to make sure ministry continues at Zion. The church’s mailing address is 47 Hanover St., Glen Rock, PA 17327.

If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Pastor Katie Brantner at 717-420-0779.

Have ideas for Zion's worship service? Concerned about something that needs to be fixed? Got questions about Zion's day to day operations? We are here for you! Please reach out to Bill, Donna or Joy anytime with your ideas, concerns and questions. They will listen and work toward continuous improvement. Small changes make big impacts and your ideas are valuable.

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