

CHRISTUS VICTOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
OCEAN SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2020

Service of the Word (*Online*)



GATHERING

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

You are invited to fill a bowl with water. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are raised with him to new life.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you created us in your image
and planted us in a well-watered garden.

**In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched,
and you gave us water from the rock.**

When we did not know the way,
you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.

**At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side,
and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.**

We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font,
and for all water everywhere.

Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.

Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

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PSALM

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**
But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.
**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**
O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.
**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.
**I have set the Lord always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.
**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**
You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

SERMON

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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, responding to each petition, “Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**”

PEACE

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

*In these uncertain times, the world needs our witness
to the Risen Christ more than ever.*

Since we will not physically gather for a while, please remember that it is because of your faithful generosity that this congregation is able to continue to carry out its ministry of sharing God's love with our community. This ministry is our shared ministry, together! We encourage you, as you (and your family) are able, to mail your offerings to the church office or give online at christusvictor.com/giving.

Thank you for anything you can do!

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God,
our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration,
but you make of them an abundance,
just as you do with our lives.
Even in separation, nourish us
for service in your name,
in the strength of the risen Christ.
Amen.

LITANY

Christ, you are risen from the dead.

We are risen with you.

May our life never deny
this eternal life,

this peace and hope and joy.

Praise and glory to the God of life

who is stronger than all kinds of death. Alleluia.

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.

SENDING

HYMN

We Know That Christ Is Raised

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead
raise you to new life, fill you with hope,
and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Chris-tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt.
 Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

We Know That Christ Is Raised



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

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Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852–1924
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