

April 7, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter





MISSION STATEMENT Connecting people to Jesus, to God's Word, and each other.

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

+ Easter Acclamation:

- P: He is risen.
- C: He is risen indeed.
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- P: HE IS RISEN!
- C: HE IS RISEN INDEED!

P: Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised iscitation in the sincere heart is the brings.

+ Hymn:

Low in the Grave He Lay

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+ Confession:

[PSALM 51:1-12]

- P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;
- C: according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.
- P: Wash away all my iniquity
- C: and cleanse me from my sin.
- P: For I know my transgressions,
- C: and my sin is always before me.
- P: Against you, you only, have I sinned
- C: and done what is evil in your sight;
- P: so you are right in your verdict
- C: and justified when you judge.
- P: Surely I was sinful at birth,
- C: sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
- P: Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb;
- C: you taught me wisdom in that secret place.
- P: Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;
- C: wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
- P: Let me hear joy and gladness;
- C: let the bones you have crushed rejoice.
- P: Hide your face from my sins
- C: and blot out all my iniquity.
- P: Create in me a pure heart, O God,
- C: and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

- P: Do not cast me from your presence
- C: or take your Holy Spirit from me.
- P: Restore to me the joy of your salvation
- C: and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

+ Assurance

[1 PETER 1:17-21]

P: ¹⁷ Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. ¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

Offering Our Gifts to God:

P: Let us pray,

C: Lord, you have given us the gift of all gifts through Jesus Christ. We have not earned it, we do not deserve it, we cannot achieve it; we can only receive it. Receive now our offering so that the good work that you have prepared for us to do may move forward. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen

The Offertory:

Doxology

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Special Music:

We Hear God's Word:

1st Reading: Acts 4:32-35 (p. 759)	C: Thanks be to God.
2nd Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2 (p. 844)	C: Thanks be to God.
+ P: Gospel according to	C: Glory to you, O Lord.
Matthew 28:11-15 (p. 693)	
P: The Word of the Lord.	C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon:	"Search for the Real Jesus"	Pastor Phil
+ Hymn:	I Know that My Redeemer Lives!	LBW # <u>352</u>
+ Holy Communion		

Invitation The Words of Institution

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Administration of the Sacrament

Communion Music:

Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. C: Amen

+ We Pray: P: ...Lord in your mercy C: hear our prayer.

+ 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.

+ We Are Blessed:

P: May the God of peace, who raised from the dead our Lord Jesus, provide us with every good thing we need in order to do his will; and the blessing of almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with us now and forever. **C: Amen!**

+ Hymn:

On Our Way Rejoicing

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P: He is risen! C: He is risen indeed!

Postlude:

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