

Second Week After Easter

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ourselves to grow in faith and
love, to serve together, and to
reach out with the Gospel of
Jesus Christ.



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME & GREETING

(Rise)

GATHERING SONG~ 'King of Kings'

Solo – 1: In the darkness we were waiting
 Without hope without light
 Till from Heaven You came running
 There was mercy in Your eyes
 To fulfil the law and prophets
 To a virgin came the Word
 From a throne of endless glory
 To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus: Praise the Father Praise the Son Praise the Spirit three in one
 God of Glory Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings

2: To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost
 To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross
 For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side
 Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died **Chorus**

3: And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath
 Till that stone was moved for good
 For the Lamb had conquered death
 And the dead rose from their tombs
 And the angels stood in awe
 For the souls of all who'd come
 To the Father are restored

4: And the Church of Christ was born
 Then the Spirit lit the flame
 Now this Gospel truth of old

Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me **Chorus**

Praise forever to the King of Kings

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INVITATIONAL PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: If we say we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves, and the truth is different.

C: But as sinners, if we confess our sins, God will forgive our sins and make us clean again.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

P: Holy and gracious God,

C: I confess that I have sinned against You this week, this day, and even this very hour. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. Believing myself to be a sinner, and in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for your forgiveness.

P: By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven and made clean. Moreover, we also made saints through faith. We are at the same time, both saints and sinners.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH SONG~ 'I Believe'

1 I believe there is one salvation
One doorway that leads to life
One redemption
One confession
I believe in the name of Jesus Christ

2 I believe in the crucifixion
By His blood I have been set free
I believe in the resurrection
Hallelujah His life is death's defeat

Chorus All praise to God the Father
All praise to Christ the Son
All praise to the Holy Spirit
Our God has overcome
The King who was and is and evermore will be
In Jesus mighty name I believe
I believe I believe

3 I believe in the hope of heaven
He's preparing a place for me
Far beyond what hearts imagine
Ears have heard or eyes have seen

4 I believe that a day is coming
He's returning to claim His bride
Light the altar
Keep it burning
See the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion **Chorus**

Bridge No I'll never be ashamed
Of the gospel of Jesus Christ
How could I ever walk away
From the One who saved my life **(Repeat)**

Oh no I'll never be ashamed
Of the gospel of Jesus Christ
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PSALM~ Psalm 30:4-5

P: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

C: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God,

C: through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys

P: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING~ Acts 9:1-22

¹Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem.

³As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

⁵"Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked.

"I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. ⁶"Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

⁷The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything.

¹⁰In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered.

¹¹The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. ¹²In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." ¹³"Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your saints in Jerusalem. ¹⁴And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name."

¹⁵But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. ¹⁶I will show him how much he must suffer for my name."

¹⁷Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord--Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here--has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, ¹⁹and after taking some food, he regained his strength. Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. ²⁰At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. ²¹All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name?"

And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" ²²Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Christ.

GRADUAL~ (*Read responsively*)~ Adapt from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

R: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

R: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

SECOND READING~ EPISTLE~ Revelation 5:1-7

¹Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" ³But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. ⁴I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. ⁵Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. He had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷He came and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne.

(Rise)

APPOINTED VERSE FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER~ Romans 6:9;
Luke 24:32

"Alleluia" means "praise the Lord"

P: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

C: **Alleluia. Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?**

ALL: **Alleluia.**

GOSPEL READING~ John 21:1-19

¹Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way: ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. ³"I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.

⁵He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?"
"No," they answered.

⁶He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

⁷Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water.

⁸The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. ⁹When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." ¹¹Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

¹⁶Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

¹⁷The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

¹⁸I tell you the truth, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." ¹⁹Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

(Be seated)

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE SONG~ 'Lord I'm Gonna Love You'

1 Lord, I'm gonna love You, love You Lord.
Lord, I'm gonna love You, love You Lord.
Lord, I'm gonna love You, with all that's in my heart.

- 2 Lord, I'm gonna follow, follow You.
Lord, I'm gonna follow, follow You.
Lord, I'm gonna follow You, with all that's in my heart.
- 3 Lord, I'm gonna worship, worship You.
Lord, I'm gonna worship, worship You.
Lord, I'm gonna worship You, with all that's in my heart,
With all that's in my heart.

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MESSAGE~ 'Same Time, Saints and Sinners'

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

OFFERING SONG~ 'Goodness of God'~ Duet

(Rise)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG~ 'The Father's House'

1. Sometimes on this journey I get lost in my mistakes
What looks to me like weakness Is a canvas for Your strength
My story isn't over my story's just begun Failure won't define me
'Cause that's what my Father does Failure won't define me
'Cause that's what my Father does

Chorus Oo lay your burdens down
Oo here in the Father's house
Check your shame at the door
'Cause it ain't welcome anymore
Oo you're in the Father's house

2. Arrival's not the endgame The journey's where You are
You never wanted perfect You just wanted my heart
And the story isn't over If the story isn't good
Failure's never final When the Father's in the room
Failure's never final When the Father's in the room **(Chorus)**

Bridge Prodigals come home the helpless find hope
Love is on the move
When the Father's in the room
Prison doors fling wide the dead come to life
Love is on the move
When the Father's in the room
Miracles take place the cynical find faith
Love is breaking through
When the Father's in the room
Jericho walls are quaking Strongholds now are shaking
Love is breaking through
When the Father's in the room
Love is breaking through
When the Father's in the room **(Chorus)**

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

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