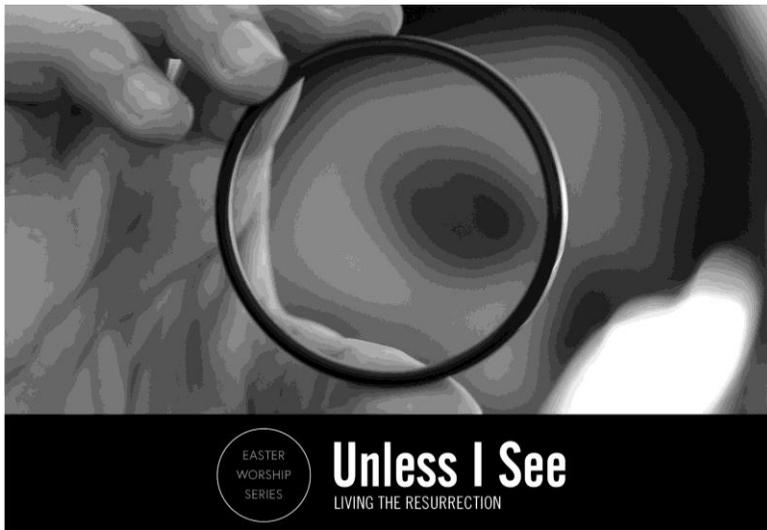


THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Worship Focus
Living the Resurrection – Unless I See



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Order of Service for THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Common Service

Christian Worship, p. 15

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OPENING HYMN

145 - Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won



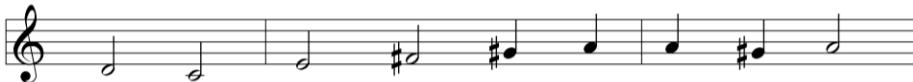
1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no
2 Je - sus lives! To him the throne High o'er
3 Je - sus lives! For me he died; Hence will
4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing
5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the



long - er can ap - pall me. Je - sus lives! Death's
heav'n and earth is giv - en. I shall go where
I, to Je - sus liv - ing, Pure in heart and
me from him shall sev - er, Life nor death nor
gate to life im - mor - tal; This shall calm my



reign is done! From the grave Christ will re -
he is gone, Live and reign with him in
act a - bide, Praise to him and glo - ry
pow'rs of hell Part me now from Christ for -
trem - bling breath When I pass its gloom - y



call me. Bright - er scenes will then com - mence;
heav - en. God is faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence!
giv - ing. All I need God will dis - pense;
ev - er. God will be a sure de - fense;
por - tal. Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:



This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 "Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!"

Text: Christian F. Gellert, 1715–69, abr.; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1815–97, alt.
 Tune: JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT (78 78 77) Johann Crüger, 1598–1662.

INVOCATION

Minister In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Congregation A - men.

M Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.

LORD HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

ABSOLUTION

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.



M Let us pray. O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by your Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



✘ The Word ✘

FIRST LESSON

Acts 3:12-20

Peter speaks of the blessings which come through faith in Jesus' name.

ACTS 3:12 When Peter saw this, he said to them: “Men of Israel, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and the faith that comes through him that has given this complete healing to him, as you can all see.

HYMN OF THE DAY

165 – O Sons and Daughters of the King

O sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

That night th' apostles met in fear;
Among them came their Lord most dear
And said, "Peace be unto you here."
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

When Thomas afterwards had heard
That Jesus had fulfilled his word,
He doubted if it were the Lord.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

"Thomas, behold my side," said he,
"My hands, my feet, my body see;
And doubt not, but believe in me."
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God," he cried.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

✠ Sermon ✠

John 20:24-31

Unless I See...

1. It's hard to believe
2. Let them see

Sermon Notes:

✠ Praise and Prayers ✠

RESPONSE TO THE WORD



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MUSICAL OFFERING

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, by the resurrection of Your Son You adopt all who believe in Him. Receive us as Your newborn children and nourish our faith by the pure spiritual milk of Your Word, that we may dwell in Your presence forever. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father, as Your people are united in the common life and love of our Savior, grant that we would share that life and love with those in need. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, Your peace flows from the risen and glorified wounds of Christ through Your Church and into the lives of all Your faithful people. Bless and direct Christian parents, that Your forgiveness would be freely shared in their homes and that each family would live together in Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, You appoint rulers and officials for the sake of order and peace. Bless those You have placed in authority over us in federal, state and local governments. Give to them the desire to serve with integrity and honor and to work for the benefit of all. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, we praise Your Son's resurrection from the dead and draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. [*Especially we pray for _____.*] Graciously receive our prayers of intercession and hear them for His sake. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your indescribable grace and for the sake of Your Son You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the Holy Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and the forgiveness of sin. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily believe Your Word, and through the Holy Sacraments establish our faith day by day, until at last we obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

142 - Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain Of tri - um - phant
 2 All the win - ter of our sins, Long and dark, is
 3 But to - day a - mong his own Christ ap - peared, be -



glad - ness! God has brought his Is - ra - el
 fly - ing From his light, to whom we give
 stow - ing Bless - ed peace, which ev - er - more



In - to joy from sad - ness. See the spring of
 Laud and praise un - dy - ing. Nei - ther could the
 Pass - es hu - man know - ing. Come, you faith - ful,

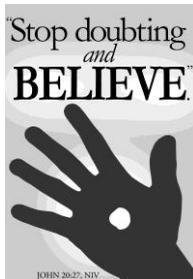


souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on And from
 gates of death Nor the tomb's dark por - tal Nor the
 raise the strain Of tri - um - phant glad - ness! God has



three days' sleep in death As a sun has ris - en.
 watch - ers nor the seal Hold him as a mor - tal.
 brought his Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, adapt.
 Tune: GAUDEAMUS PARITER (76 76 D Trochaic) Johann Horn, c. 1490–1547.



SENDING PRAYER

M Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - men.

BLESSING

M The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

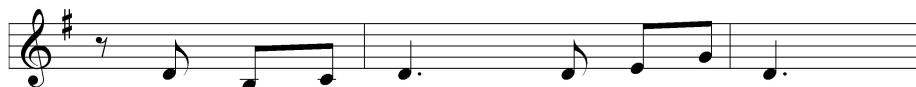


C: A - men. A - men. A - - men.

WALK BY
Faith,
NOT BY
sight.

CLOSING HYMN

756 - We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight;
2 We may not touch his hands and side
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief,
4 For you, O res - sur - rec - ted Lord,
5 Lord, when our life of faith is done,



No gra - cious words we hear
Nor fol - low where he trod,
And may our faith a - bound
Are found in means di - vine:
In realms of clear - er light,



From him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
But in his prom - ise we re - joice
To call on you when you are near
Be - neath the wa - ter and the Word,
We may be - hold you as you are



But we be - lieve him near.
And cry, "My Lord and God!"
And seek where you are found.
Be - neath the bread and wine.
With full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.

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