

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Communion



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INTRODUCTION

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Day of Arising
Rachel Sebastian—Clarinet

Arr. Organ

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN #391

This Joyful Eastertide

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

C: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray . . .

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

Reader: Gary Groth

R: ¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

Reader: Gary Groth

R: ¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

C: **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

P: ^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Pastor Jeff Glawe

HYMN #377 (vs. 4-5)

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

PRAYERS *(Response after each petition)*

P: Lord in your mercy,
C: **Hear our prayer . . .**

OFFERING—Invitation—God’s Work Continues

OFFERTORY SONG #207

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

C: **Thankful hearts and voices raise;; tell ev-’ry-one what God has done.
Let ev-’ry-one who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts
of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER / WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

C: **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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *(All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior
and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy
communion.)*

BLESSING

P: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen
Lord Jesus.
The God of life, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
C: **Amen.**

HYMN #367 (vs. 1-3)

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

**C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:
“Serving Christ through serving others.”**
P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
P: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Jesus Shall Reign

Arr. Shaw

***Please follow the guidance of the leaders as you exit
to participate in Holy Communion.***

*Prayer concerns for Zion’s prayer chain may be submitted
to the church office by calling 1 937-667-3110 or e-mail.*

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God
by Linda Hood in memory of Edwin Hood.*

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING 4/10 & 11: 82

Total Unified Giving: \$6,159.00

Total Building Fund: \$ 480.00

TREASURER’S REPORT:

February 2021

Unified Giving: \$28,005.18

Building Fund Giving: \$1,800.20

Expenses: \$20,030.18

Mortgage Payment: \$2,500.00

Building Fund Balance as of February, 2021: \$27,948.49

If you desire more detailed financial information there are ten copies of the balance sheet and income statement for the month of February 2021 on the table as you leave the fellowship hall. If you have any questions please bring them to our next Council meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY—Saturday, April 24 from 9:00– Noon

Bring you favorite yard and lawn tools. We'll be weeding, cleaning up, pruning and a little mulching. Refreshments will be provided!

Rain date: Saturday, May 8—same time.

APRIL MISSION OF THE MONTH / SOCKS FOR SENIORS

Since 2002, Socks for Seniors hosts an annual sock drive throughout the United States. Community organizations across America are becoming involved by collecting adult socks to be distributed to senior centers and nursing facilities. Many of the residents have no funds to purchase needed items and socks are one of those most needed items. What kind of socks should you collect? The funnier, funkier styles you can find - holiday themed, bright colors, animals, patterned. One recipient of socks replied, "We're just old, not dead and we still have a sense of humor!" Also needed are traditional tube socks.

Please avoid socks that have individual toes. Last year when the socks collected by Zion were dropped off at Troy Care and Rehabilitation Center, the receptionist was astonished. "Nobody brings us socks – we need them so badly!" There will be a laundry basket and display in the lobby inside Zion's Walnut Street entrance. If you cannot shop for socks, feel free to leave a donation and the shopping will be done for you. Socks should be placed in the laundry basket and monetary donations should be given to Linda in the office. **Socks and monetary donations will be collected until April 30. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Holt.**

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