

+ SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER +

*Quasimodo Geniti*

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+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

**HYMN OF INVOCATION**    *"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain" LSB 487*

- 1    Come, you faithful, raise the strain  
      Of triumphant gladness!  
      God has brought His Israel  
      Into joy from sadness,  
      Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke  
      Jacob's sons and daughters,  
      Led them with unmoistened foot  
      Through the Red Sea waters.
  
- 2    'Tis the spring of souls today:  
      Christ has burst His prison  
      And from three days' sleep in death  
      As a sun has risen;  
      All the winter of our sins,  
      Long and dark, is flying  
      From His light, to whom is giv'n  
      Laud and praise undying.
  
- 3    Now the queen of seasons, bright  
      With the day of splendor,  
      With the royal feast of feasts  
      Comes its joy to render;  
      Comes to gladden faithful hearts  
      Which with true affection

Welcome in unwearied strain  
Jesus' resurrection!

- 4 For today among His own  
Christ appeared, bestowing  
His deep peace, which evermore  
Passes human knowing.  
Neither could the gates of death  
Nor the tomb's dark portal  
Nor the watchers nor the seal  
Hold Him as a mortal.
- 5 Alleluia! Now we cry  
To our King immortal,  
Who, triumphant, burst the bars  
Of the tomb's dark portal.  
Come, you faithful, raise the strain  
Of triumphant gladness!  
God has brought His Israel  
Into joy from sadness!

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### *Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their  
Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

### INTROIT

*Psalm 81:1, 7a, 10, 16b; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2a*

- P** Like newborn infants, Alleluia,  
**C** **long for the pure spiritual milk [of the Word.] Alleluia.**  
**P** Sing aloud to God our strength;  
**C** **shout for joy to the God of Jacob!**  
**P** In distress you called, and I delivered you;  
**C** **I answered you in the secret place of thunder.**

**P** I am the LORD your God,  
**C** who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.  
**P** Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it;  
**C** and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.

♪ **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**P** Like newborn infants, Alleluia,  
**C** long for the pure spiritual milk [of the Word.] Alleluia.

**KYRIE**

*LSB 186*

**C** ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*LSB 187*

**P** ♪ Glory be to God on high:  
**C** ♪ and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our  
prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P**   ♪ The Lord be with you.

**C**   ♪ And with thy spirit.

**P**   ♪ Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C**   ♪ Amen.

*Sit*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Ezekiel 37:1–14*

**P**   The Old Testament Reading is from Ezekiel, chapter 37.

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath;

prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.”<sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’”<sup>12</sup> Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel.<sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people.<sup>14</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

*1 John 5:4–10*

**P** The Epistle is from 1 John, chapter 5.

<sup>4</sup> For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.<sup>5</sup> Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup> This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.<sup>7</sup> For there are three that testify:<sup>8</sup> the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.<sup>9</sup> If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son.<sup>10</sup> Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**ALLELUIA and VERSE**

*LSB 190; Matthew 28:7b; John 20:26a, c*

**C** ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**P** Alleluia. He has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee. Alleluia. Eight days later Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Alleluia.

**C** ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*John 20:19–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood

among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

**And 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,**

and the life † everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"O Sons and Daughters of the King" LSB 470*

- 1 O sons and daughters of the King,  
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,  
Today the grave has lost its sting!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day,  
The faithful women went their way  
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 3 An angel clad in white they see,  
Who sits and speaks unto the three,  
"Your Lord will go to Galilee."  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 4 That night the \_apostles met in fear;  
Among them came their master dear  
And said, "My peace be with you here."  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard  
That they had seen the risen Lord,  
He doubted the disciples' word.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,  
And look upon My hands, My feet;  
Not faithless but believing be."  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

8 How blest are they who have not seen  
And yet whose faith has constant been,  
For they eternal life shall win.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days  
Be laud and jubilee and praise:  
To God your hearts and voices raise.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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## **SERMON**

*"The Life-Giving Breath of the Lord" Ezekiel 37:1-14*

*Stand*

## **OFFERTORY**

*LSB 956*

1 Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence;  
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;  
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

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## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*Sit*

## + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

*Stand*

### PREFACE

*LSB 194*

**P** ♪ The Lord be with you.

**C** ♪ **And with thy spirit.**

**P** ♪ Lift up your hearts.

**C** ♪ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**P** ♪ Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** ♪ **It is meet and right so to do.**

**P** ♪ It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### SANCTUS

*LSB 195*

**C** ♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the  
name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 196

- P**   ♪ 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.
- C**   ♪ **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

- P**   ♪ Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed,  
took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave  
it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which  
is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

♪ In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when  
He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all  
of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is  
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you  
drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## PAX DOMINI

LSB 197

- P**   ♪ The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C**   ♪ Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

LSB 198

- C**   ♪ **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of  
the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the  
world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

*Sit*

**DISTRIBUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

*"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" LSB 618*

- 1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,  
For weak and weary is my soul;  
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able  
To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain
  
- ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood  
Be for my soul the highest good!
  
- 2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning  
That sinners may salvation see  
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;  
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain
  
- 3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,  
Because I have a sinful heart,  
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,  
For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain
  
- 4 Weary am I and heavy laden;  
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;  
Receive me graciously and gladden  
My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain
  
- 5 What higher gift can we inherit?  
It is faith's bond and solid base;

It is the strength of heart and spirit,  
The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" LSB 700*

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,  
All Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation,  
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.
  
- 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
Into ev'ry troubled breast;  
Let us all in Thee inherit;  
Let us find Thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.
  
- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;  
Let us all Thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Nevermore Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,  
Glory in Thy perfect love.
  
- 4 Finish then Thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;

Let us see Thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in Thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heav'n we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

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*Stand*

### **NUNC DIMITTIS**

*LSB 199*

**☩** ♪ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace  
according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast  
prepared before the face of all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people  
Israel.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen.**

### **THANKSGIVING**

*LSB 200*

**☩** ♪ O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**☩** ♪ and His mercy endureth forever.

**☩** ♪ Let us pray.

♪ We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**☩** ♪ Amen.

- P** ♪ The Lord be with you.  
**C** ♪ **And with thy spirit.**

**BENEDICAMUS**

*LSB 202*

- P** ♪ Bless we the Lord.  
**C** ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

**BENEDICTION**

*LSB 202*

- P** ♪ The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** ♪ **Amen, amen, amen.**

**HYMN TO DEPART**

*"He's Risen, He's Risen" LSB 480*

- 1 He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;  
He opened death's prison, the\_ incarnate, true Word.  
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song  
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.
- 2 The foe was triumphant when on Calvary  
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.  
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,  
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.
- 3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,  
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.  
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;  
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.
- 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.

For all our transgressions His blood does atone;  
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

△ 5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;  
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.  
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:  
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

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