

**2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER
GATHER IN GOD’S NAME**

(*=**please stand if you are able**)

Prelude (A time for Silence and Reflection)

Welcome

Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez

Opening Prayer

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Praise Hymn of the Month (See Insert)

“Great Are You, Lord”

Call to Confession

No one is lost to God. All our welcome to witness and receive God’s saving grace. Let us confess our sins before our Savior.

Prayer of Confession

You send us, God of the Great Commission, but we hedge and hesitate. Forgive our fear and our excuses. We are witnesses of your grace and glory but allow others to silence our praise. We imprison ourselves with doubt and shame and fail to shine your light for all to see. Forgive our fears. Free our testimony. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance Pardon

Christ has transformed us. Christ has renewed us. Through Christ’s death and resurrection, we are a new creation, ready to sing God’s glory and testify to God’s grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Thanks be to God, and let it be so.

Alleluia! Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

“We Sing of Your Glory”

We sing of your glory, we praise you again,
for you are eternal. Amen. Amen

We sing of your power and honor again,
for you are eternal. Amen. Amen.

Prayer of Illumination

Savior God, your Word is a lamp to our feet on this discipleship road. Walk with us. Guide us with your wisdom and grace. Open us to discerning your will and your way. Amen.

Scripture Reading

2 Kings 7:1-16

Elisha said, “Hear the Lord’s word! This is what the Lord says: At this time tomorrow a seah of wheat flour will sell for a shekel at Samaria’s gate, and two seahs of barley will sell for a shekel.” Then the officer, the one the king leaned on for support, spoke to the man of God: “Come on! Even if the Lord should make windows in the sky, how could that happen?” Elisha said, “You will see it with your own eyes, but you won’t eat from it.” Now there were four men with skin disease at the entrance to the city. They said to each other, “What are we doing sitting here until we die? If we decide, ‘Let’s go into the city,’ the famine is there, and we’ll die in the city. But if we stay here, we’ll die just the same. So let’s go and surrender to the Aramean camp. If they let us live, we’ll live. If they kill us, we’ll die.” So they set out in the evening to the Aramean camp, and they came to the edge of the camp. But there was no one there because the Lord had made the Aramean camp hear the sound of chariots, horses, and a strong army. They had said to each other, “Listen! Israel’s king has hired the Hittite and Egyptian kings to come against us!” So they had got up and fled in the evening, leaving their tents, horses, and donkeys. They left the camp exactly as it was and ran for their lives. So these men with skin disease came to the edge of the camp. They entered a tent where they ate and drank. They carried off some silver, gold, and garments, and they hid them. Then they returned and went into another tent. They took more things from there, went away, and hid them. But then they said to each other, “What we’re doing isn’t right. Today is a day of good news, but we’re keeping quiet about it. If we wait until dawn, something bad will happen to us. Come on! Let’s go and tell the palace.” So they went and called out to the gatekeepers, telling them, “We went to the Aramean camp, and listen to this: No one was there, not even the sound of anyone! The only things there were tied-up horses and donkeys, and the tents left just as they were.” The gatekeepers shouted out the news, and it was reported within the palace. The king got up in the night. He said to his servants, “Let me tell you what the Arameans are doing to us. They know we are starving, so they’ve left the camp to hide in the fields. They are thinking, The Israelites will come out from the city, and then we’ll capture them alive and invade the city.” But one of his servants answered, “Please let some men take five of the horses that are left, and let’s send them out to see what happens. They are in the same situation as the large number of Israelites who are left here; they are no better off than the large number of Israelites who’ve already perished.” So they chose two chariots with their

horses. The king sent them after the Aramean army, saying, “Go and see!” So they went after the Arameans as far as the Jordan River. The road was filled the whole way with garments and equipment that the Arameans had thrown away in their rush. The messengers returned and reported this to the king. Then the people went out and looted the Aramean camp. And so it happened that a seah of wheat flour did sell for a shekel, and two seahs of barley sold for a shekel, in agreement with the Lord’s word.

L: This is the word God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem:

Scripture Reading:

John 20:19-31

It was still the first day of the week. That evening, while the disciples were behind closed doors because they were afraid of the Jewish authorities, Jesus came and stood among them. He said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. When the disciples saw the Lord, they were filled with joy. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I am sending you.” Then he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven; if you don’t forgive them, they aren’t forgiven.” Jesus appears to Thomas and the disciples Thomas, the one called Didymus, one of the Twelve, wasn’t with the disciples when Jesus came. The other disciples told him, “We’ve seen the Lord!” But he replied, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands, put my finger in the wounds left by the nails, and put my hand into his side, I won’t believe.” After eight days his disciples were again in a house and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus entered and stood among them. He said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here. Look at my hands. Put your hand into my side. No more disbelief. Believe!” Thomas responded to Jesus, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus replied, “Do you believe because you see me? Happy are those who don’t see and yet believe.” Then Jesus did many other miraculous signs in his disciples’ presence, signs that aren’t recorded in this scroll. But these things are written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Christ, God’s Son, and that believing, you will have life in his name.

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Can you See me?”

Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez

Hymn (See insert)

“Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen”

Words of Gratitude

With glad and generous hearts, let us give from what we have received.

RESPOND IN GRACE

Instrumental

Offertory

Humbled by God’s generosity, let us offer our gifts to God and Christ’s church.

*** Doxology**

“Thank you, Jesus”

Thank you, Jesus, amen! Thank you, Jesus, amen!

Thank you, Jesus, amen! Alleluia! Amen!

God, you meet our needs and transform us for service. Accept these gifts as signs of our gratitude and our commitment to witness to Christ’s ministry in your world. Amen.

Prayers of the People (See insert)

***Lord’s Prayer**

Hymn (See Insert)

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

Announcements

Benediction

God is Good! **All the time!** All the Time! **God is Good!**

Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

We are an Easter people! Live into the hope of Christ’s resurrection!

May the grace, hope, peace and love of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with you now and always. Amen.

*** Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

Amen

Postlude

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where Jesus Christ is Lord; where men, women, and
children share in leadership; and where the strength
of our fellowship builds bridges to the community.”***

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EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2022

- In person Hybrid worship at 11AM
- English Bible Study Thursday's at 11:00AM via Zoom.
- Spanish Bible Study will be Wednesday's at 10:00AM.
- Prayer Time on Friday's at 1:00PM via zoom.
- Please submit your picture for the Church directory. If you need more information contact Pastor Jeniffer or Lindsay Wilkens.

-Zoom worship Service at 11:00AM

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Prayers and Praise

Please pray for Everyone in leadership

Please pray for Keeping Communities Safe

Please pray for Children/ families

Please pray for The Boateng Family

Please pray for The Otu's family

Please pray for The Supina/Ruess family

Please pray for The Sevilla's family

Please pray for Those who harm

Please pray for Peace in the middle of violence

Please pray for The Dyckman's Family

Please pray for The Ozuna Family

Please pray for The Reda's family

Please pray for People struggling with cancer. For healing

Please pray for For the physical and spiritual shape of our nation

Please pray for For leaders, people in a position of authority

Please Pray for Lima family

Please pray for Israel and Palestine

Please Pray for the Denzer Family

Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

PRAISE SONGS AND HYMNS

“Great Are You, Lord”

Great are you, Lord: You are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love.
Great are you, Lord: You are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voices; we lift up our voices:
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

“Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen”

Refrain:

Alleluia! Christ is arisen.

Bright is the dawning of the Lord's day.

1. Run, faithful women, to the graveside.
Marvel, the stone is rolled away!
Hear from the angel, “He is risen.”
Christ goes before you all the way. *(Refrain)*

3. Gather, disciples, in the evening:
suddenly Christ your Lord appears.
“Look, it is I, your wounded Savior.
Peace be with you, and do not fear.” *(Refrain)*

4. Thomas, where were you on that evening?
“I'll not believe unless I see.”
Christ comes again, and every Lord's day:
“Touch me and see; have faith in me.” *(Refrain)*

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Prayers of the People

Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! We join our voices with the chorus of creation, praising our God of resurrection glory! The trajectory of death has been disrupted. God's promise of a world made new, redeemed by Christ's passion, is worthy of trumpets, tambourines, and dance! We celebrate you, Savior God. We adore you. We approach you in prayer full of gratitude and praise.

Even though the lilies that adorn our sanctuaries are still fresh and our lives know happiness and joy, we continue to grieve the state of our world, the illness that lays so many low, the violence of war and the troubled spirits of those oppressed. Hear our prayers for peace, Redeeming God. Heal the rifts that break us apart. Humble the tyrants hell-bent on war. Empower the diplomats with non-violent strategies. Protect the people of Ukraine.

Encourage us, God of grace, in our witness. May we not fear or avoid your call to shine and sing. Give us the courage to face our painful truths so we can participate in necessary and faithful change. Grant us the wisdom to learn from our past so we can help build towards your glorious future. Guide us in all we say and do, Inspiring God, so we can bear witness to the hope you offer and the path Christ has paved.

As the Body of Christ, hear us now as we pray as Christ taught us,
"Our Father..."