

Augustana Lutheran Church

2100 New Hampshire Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20009

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2007

TEN-THIRTY A.M.

THE PREPARATION AND ENTRANCE RITE

Voluntary

As the bells are rung, the Congregation stands, and turns to face the Baptismal Font.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

By our baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, God raised us to new life.
Let us confess to God our sins and all that waits for resurrection in our lives.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

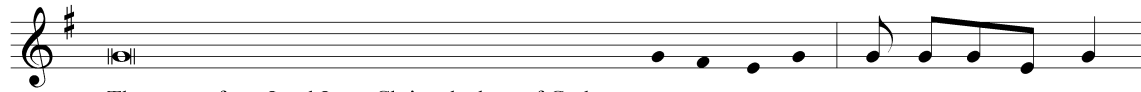
God of love, we find it hard to believe the witness of the resurrection. We resist your unfailing love for us and others, and we turn our backs on the gift of new life, choosing instead the old way of sin, the way that takes us away from you and leads us back toward death. Free us from this power of sin, guide us by your Spirit, and help us in our weakness, that we may live as your children, restored to new and everlasting life. Amen

By God's grace you are forgiven and born anew. May you be strengthened daily with the power to walk in God's light and love. **Amen**

Entrance Hymn, No. 132

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

Apostolic Greeting



The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And al - so with you.**

Kyrie – Setting Two, page 78

Canticle – page 81

This Is the Feast of Victory

Salutation and Prayer of the Day



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Let us pray ... A - men.

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

The Congregation is seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 150 – page 289

Sung by All to LBW Tone 9, page 291.

Second Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

The Congregation stands.

Gradual Hymn, No. 675 (With One Voice)


We Walk by Faith

Stanzas 1-2.

Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

The Gospel is announced:



The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ___ chapter. Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

After the Gospel is read:



The Gos - pel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.


Hymn at the Returning Procession, No. 675 (With One Voice) Stanzas 3-4.

We Walk by Faith

Sermon



Christ is ri - sen! He is ri - sen in - deed! Christ is ri - sen! He is ri - sen in - deed!



Christ is ri - sen! He is ri - sen in - deed! Al - le - lu - ia!

Hymn of the Day, No. 139 Stanzas 1, 4-8.

O Sons and Daughters of the King

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is in - deed right and sal - u - tar - y ... we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of pow'r and might,

Hea'vn and earth are full of your glo - ry. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord most high.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord most high.

The musical score consists of seven staves of music in G major. The first six staves are in 4/4 time, and the seventh staff is in 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, the Beginning and the End, our Salvation and our Hope,
we praise you for creating a world of order and beauty.

When we brought on chaos, cruelty, and despair,
You sent the prophets to proclaim your justice and mercy.

At this end of the ages, your Son Jesus came to bring us your love
and to heal all the suffering world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying,
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim our Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection,
we await his coming again in righteousness and peace.



Send your Spirit on us and on this bread and wine we share;
strengthen our faith, increase our hope,
and bring to birth the justice and joy of your Son.



Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

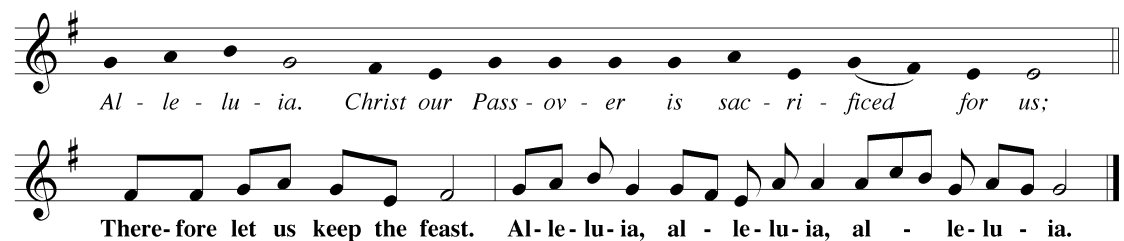


The Lord's Prayer



Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be— your name, your king - dom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the
time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom,
the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

At the Fraction – Christ Our Passover



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament

All Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Non-communicants are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Hymn, No. 147

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

The Congregation stands.

THE POST-COMMUNION

Eucharistic Blessing

The body and blood of your Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Nunc dimittis



I leave, as you have prom-ised, Lord, in peace and glad - ness.



Mine eyes have seen their great re-ward, and gone is sad - ness.



This is the Sav - ior of the world, the joy of Is - ra - el.

Post Communion Prayer

O God of love, you bind us to yourself in this sacrament, and strengthen us through
this meal for service to the world. Guide us by your Spirit that we may forever
witness to the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord of life. **Amen**

Benediction

Hymn, No. 128

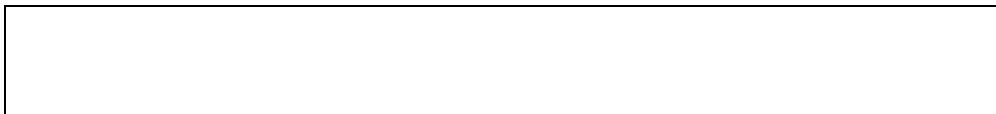
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go and tell the news that Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Voluntary



-- Servants at God's Altar --

Celebrant and Preacher	Norman Theiss
Deacon I	Jon Quam
Deacon II	Rebecca Roth
Lector	David Juilfs
Organist and Choirmaster	Jeanne C. Lowe
The Parish Choir	
Ushers	Chuck Leath
Altar Guild	Alice Anderson, Marilyn Olson
Tellers	Jon Quam, Ruth Hunter, Tim Himes
Hospitality Hosts	Mary Andoh, Sarita Chapman

-- Parish Concerns --

+ **Members:** Louise Anderson, Mary Beth Blegen, Aaron Bonds, Ardelle Burton, Herman Davis, Sr., Dorothy Gladney, Bill Reid, Don Werner.

Friends and Family: Andy, Carlos and Rich (Bucci); Stacey Aus (Knauff); Rex Baker (Robinson); Effi Barry (Burton); Edith Bowers (Bowers); the Family of Ken Boynton (Gillam); the Family of Margaret Cahill (Isbell); Judy Cashner (Cashner); George Cypress (Burton); Mindy Davis (Isbell); Ray "Bud" Erickson (Kennedy-Nash); Robert Kyle Evans (Schipp); Patricia Franks (Knauff); Lyle Forness (Forness); Ruth Fox (Fischer-Fox); Jessica Fox (Fischer-Fox); Pat Frohman (Hunter); Carole Gaston (Gaston); Muriel Halsey (Wassum); Leona Harper (Knauff); Danny Hartman (Knauff); The family of Beth Isbell (Isbell); Tom Johnson (Hart); Denise Kellam (Bucci); Sara Kepple (Richter); John Larson (Kahler-Larson); Celeste Lotz (Knauff); Sally Markle (Markle-Elder); Lois Merritt (Hunter); David Moore (Hart); Bruno Muzzi (Markle-Elder); Chris Nelson (Burch-Nelson); Susan Papp (Lenhart/Ray); Rachelle Portner (Hart); Jennifer & Joe Reed (Roth/Renne); Mary Ann Richardson (Kennedy-Nash); Veronica Richardson (Knauff); Sarah Richter (Richter); Rich & Norma Shirey (Hart); Ginny Solmundson (Roth/Renne); Iris and Juan Sosa (Leath); Deborah Tang (Burton); Helen Tardy (Hunter); Caleb Richter-Tate (Richter); Earl Telfair (Smith); Richard Tepel (Schipp); Joey Tindall (Alice & Bob Anderson); Marion Wagley (Capps); Nellikan Wernicke (Baerwald); Kay Wickre (Margrave); Pamela Wilson (Markle-Elder).

Aaron Bonds is home from the hospital, and he continues to recover from surgery and to receive cancer treatment. You can continue to read his wife Lisa's journal about Aaron's progress on CaringBridge.org. Messages of care and concern, which you can send via CaringBridge.org, continue to sustain Lisa and Aaron, so please check out the website and leave them a note of love and support from their friends at Augustana.

Gifts to the Glory of God: Today's bread and wine, candle and DAG Gift are given to the Glory of God by Kaia Lenhart in honor of Jen Ray's birthday. Additionally we acknowledge

gifts given to the Glory of God for our Landscaping Project by Lisa and Aaron Bonds, Stephen Forsberg, and Robert Sorel.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Augustanans have done it again! The response to the “Mortgage Madness” campaign has been stupendous. In the past couple of weeks we have received two more \$10,000 checks from generous members. We now have enough cash in hand to cover mortgage payments through October – check the Mortgage Madness calendar in the narthex. Just one more month’s payment will bring us to the end of the church year. But, let’s not slow down – anything we receive over and above what’s needed for mortgage payments will allow us to start paying down principal. **Wouldn’t it be great if we could pay off our mortgage in 10 years instead of 20!**

Dr. Mitts is away this Sunday, and we welcome Jeanne C. Lowe as our guest organist/choirmaster.

Thank you to all who assisted with the special services during Holy Week, and a special huge thank you to the Evangelism Committee and all their members who coordinated the reception after the Easter Vigil.

-- Today – Second Sunday of Easter --

Adult Forum: 9:15 a.m. – Library – Spirituality 101 (part one)

Nursery Program: 10:30 – Noon – Angel at the Tomb

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

– This Coming Week –

Wednesday, April 18th: Congregational Council Meeting – Social Hall – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 19th: 6:30 p.m. Healing and Prayer Service – Social Hall

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

– Next Sunday, April 22, 2007 –Third Sunday of Easter –

Adult Forum: The Palestinian Lutheran Church,

Nursery Program: 10:30 – Noon – Fish for Breakfast

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Roy Enquist will preside and preach at the Eucharist on Sunday, April 22nd. He will also speak at the Adult Forum at 9:15 a.m. in the Library. In both his sermon and his Adult Forum presentation he will speak about the Palestinian Lutheran Church, which is little heard of but at a crucial time.

Lessons: Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14, John 21:1-19

Hospitality Hosts: Kaia Lenhart, Jen Ray, Ingrid Margrave

-- Upcoming Events and Announcements --

Augustana becomes more Green!: In cooperation with the Academy for the Advancement of Learning (ALTA), we have taken steps to begin recycling paper, cans and plastic items. You will see new re-cycling containers next to the soda machine across from the kitchen. Please place your re-cycled items in their respective collection bins. Re-cycled items will be collected twice a week on Monday and Thursday mornings.

During the Easter season Adult Forum will be examining the concept of spirituality and the role of spiritual disciplines in the life of the contemporary Christian. The series will include an attempt to define spirituality in the context of the Christian faith ("Spirituality 101") and an exploration of practical ways the faithful person can nurture their spiritual growth through spiritual disciplines. Adult Forum meets at 9:15 in the library.

Volunteer needed to serve as Editor of The Augustanan – We are searching for a new member to work on the monthly newsletter. Rebecca Roth who currently works on the newsletter is willing to train someone who may be interested in learning “how to.” Please contact the office or Rebecca Roth 240-463-6493 or rebecca.roth@mac.com if you are interested.

Augustana’s NEW Mortgage Task Force – This newly formed task force will work closely with members of the Finance and Stewardship Committees to find ways to manage our monthly A&R mortgage. If you are interested in serving on this task force please contact the office or a member of council.

Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS) is looking to fill a position for Policy Advocate in it’s DC office. If you know of anyone you think would be interested in and qualified for this position please ask them to contact Katie Maunz, Human Resources, LIRS <http://www.lirs.org/DonateServe/employment/PolicyAdvocate.htm>

Messiah Lutheran Church to Sponsor a Visual Arts Show: The theme of the show will be "Praising God Through the Arts". The show will be held on June 15 from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm and will be exhibited at the church until July 12 with takedown on July 13 and 14. All types of media are welcomed including painting, fabric, sculpture, photography, metal work, etc., and any other 2-D or 3-D submissions. There are no size restrictions. Art may or may not be for sale depending on the artist's own choice. All pieces must be clearly religious in nature and suitably prepared for exhibition, containing no nudity. They are asking for participants to drop off their art on June 7 and 8. The church address is 6510 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, VA 22307-1355. For more information or questions you may have, please contact, Emery Lewis, at (703) 768-7114 or via e-mail at e.lewis@cox.net



April 15, 2007

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

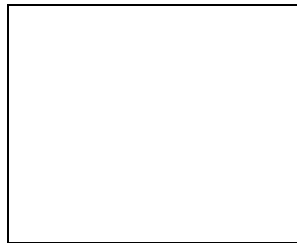
INTRODUCTION

These first weeks of Easter focus our attention on appearances of the risen Lord. It is not always easy to see Jesus after his resurrection. The gospel will remind us that Jesus has a new body in which he now lives: As we gather this day to greet one another and share the peace of the Lord, may our eyes be opened to discern that we are looking at the risen body of Christ!

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32

Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.

When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."



SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8

The book of Revelation recounts a vision of the risen Christ experienced by a Christian prophet named John. Here he describes Christ as the faithful witness, or martyr;

firstborn of the dead; ruler in a kingdom of priests; the one who comes; the beginning and the end of all time.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;

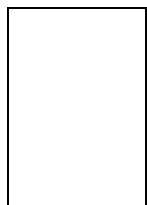
every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.



GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

The proclamation of Easter continues in John's gospel as Jesus appears to his disciples. Jesus' words to Thomas assure us that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe."

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you

forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Rejoice
LORD! **IN THE**

Mission Statement of Augustana Lutheran Church

“It is the purpose of Augustana Lutheran Church to engage as many persons as will share its confession of faith in a fellowship of worship, learning, witness and service that the Word of God in Jesus Christ may become effective in their lives together and individually and relate effectively in Christian concern and love to the geographic community within which the Church is located.”

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Parents: A nursery is available for children up to five years old.
See an usher for directions

Parking is available at the Reeves Center – 14th & U Streets
Please enter on U Street. From 10 am – 4 pm on Sundays
First Come, First Served

