

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2020

The **HYMNS** and **SUNG RESPONSES** are in **The Lutheran Hymnal** (Red Book), unless indicated otherwise. Please **stand** at the **appropriate times**.

THE WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN NO. 208 - "Ye Sons and Daughters of the King"
(Stanzas 1-5, standing to sing stanza 5)

THE INVOCATION (page 15)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

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 Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

C: O Almighty God, Merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy 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 Ghost.

C: Amen.

THE INTROIT (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

P: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- / vation—*

if indeed you have tasted that the / Lord is good.

C: **Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- / on His name;***
make known His deeds among the / peoples!

P: Sing to Him, sing prais- / es to Him;*
tell of all His / wondrous works!

C: **Glory in His / holy name;***
let the hearts of those who seek the / LORD rejoice!

P: Seek the LORD / and His strength; * seek His presence con- / tinually!

C: **Remember the wondrous works that / He has done,***
His miracles, and the judgments He / uttered.

P: He remembers His covenant for- / ever,*
the word that He commanded, for a thousand gener- / ations.

THE GLORIA PATRI (pages 16-19)

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.

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: And on earth peace, good will 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.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT (page 19)

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 Thy grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest with the Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: Amen. (Be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Acts 5:29-42

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

P: Christ has risen / from the dead.*

God the Father has crowned Him with glory and / honor.

C: He has given Him dominion over the works / of His hands;*

He has put all things un- / der His feet.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:3-9

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

THE GOSPEL ACCOUNT: John 20:19-31

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen. (Be seated after making confession of our faith)

THE SERMON HYMN NO. 208 - "Ye Sons and Daughters of the King"
(Stanzas 6-10, standing to sing stanza 10)

THE SERMON

(Stand)

THE OFFERTORY

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.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition the pastor will say "Lord, in Your mercy."
Congregation to respond with "Hear our prayer."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COLLECT FOR THE CHURCH

P: Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, unto Thy Church Thy Holy Spirit and the wisdom which cometh down from above, that Thy Word, as becometh it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve Thee and in the confession of Thy name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.
The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen. (Please be seated)

THE CLOSING HYMN - "These Things Did Thomas Count as Real"

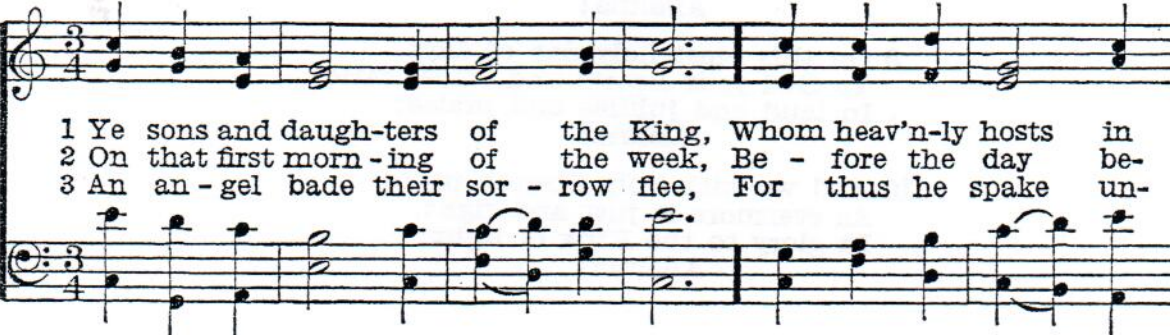
(Sung to the melody of "Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun")
(Lutheran Service Book Hymn No. 472)

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John 20
O filii et filiae
Author unknown, c. 1600
Tr., John M. Neale, 1851

8. 8. 8., with Alleluia

Gelobt sei Gott
Melchior Vulpius, 1609



1 Ye sons and daugh-ters of the King, Whom heav'n-ly hosts in
2 On that first morn-ing of the week, Be - fore the day be-
3 An an-gel bade their sor - row flee, For thus he spake un-



glo - ry sing, To - day the grave hath lost its sting:
gan to break, The Ma - rys went their Lord to seek:
to the three: "Your Lord is gone to Gal - i - lee:"



Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

- 4 That night the Apostles met in fear,
Amidst them came their Lord most dear
And said: "Peace be unto you here":
Alleluia!
- 5 When Thomas afterwards had heard
That Jesus had fulfilled His word,
He doubted if it were the Lord:
Alleluia!
- 6 "Thomas, behold My side," saith He,
"My hands, My feet, My body, see;
And doubt not, but believe in Me":
Alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"Thou art my Lord and God," he cried:
Alleluia!

We Sons and Daughters of the King

8 Blessed are they that have not seen
And yet whose faith hath constant been,
In life eternal they shall reign:
Alleluia!

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

10 And we with holy Church unite,
As evermore is just and right,
In glory to the King of light:
Alleluia!

These Things Did Thomas Count as Real

1 These things did Thom - as count as real: The
 2 The vi - sion of his skept - tic mind Was
 3 His rea - soned cer - tain - ties de - nied That
 4 May we, O God, by grace be - lieve And

warmth of blood, the chill of steel, The grain of wood, the
 keen e - nough to make him blind To an - y un - ex -
 one could live when one had died, Un - til his fin - gers
 thus the ris - en Christ re - ceive, Whose raw im - print - ed

heft of stone, The last frail twitch of flesh and bone.
 pect - ed act Too large for his small world of fact.
 read like braille The mark - ings of the spear and nail.
 palms reached out And beck - oned Thom - as from his doubt.

First Reading: Acts 5:29–42

²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to 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."

³³When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. ³⁴But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. ³⁵And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. ³⁶For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. ³⁷After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. ³⁸So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; ³⁹but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, ⁴⁰and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. ⁴¹Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. ⁴²And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3–9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you

have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Holy Gospel: John 20:19–31

¹⁹On 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." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, 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 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."

²⁶Eight 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." ²⁷Then 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." 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 believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but 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.



About the Cover: "My Lord and my God!" Thomas exclaimed as Jesus showed His nail-pierced hands and feet and spear-pierced side (John 20:28). Jesus stood before His disciples in that locked room