

Texts for Worship – Easter Sunday, April 12th, 2020

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Gladstone, NJ

Rev. Dr. Kent R. Walley, Rector

Prelude – Dr. Brian Harlow at St. Luke's Recorded Easter Day 2016

Welcome and Introduction – Rev. Dr. Kent Walley

A Message for the Young and Young at Heart – “The Sound of the Resurrection”

Children are invited to have ready one bed sheet and a noise maker for each child (pot and spoon)

Hymn 207

Jesus Christ is Risen Today (From Easter Vigil 2016 and Easter Sunday 2019)

To View This Hymn with Music Click here: <https://hymnary.org/hymn/EH1982/207>

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!
 3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!
 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!
- Author: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Salutation and Opening Prayer

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen. *People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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Gloria

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*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect of the Day – The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Easter Sunday Readings Can be found at: <https://episcopalchurch.org/lectionary/easter-day-a>

Sermon

Nicene Creed

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*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. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;*

*he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
 forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Prayers, Confession of Sin and Absolution

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*Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
 by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
 We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
 We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
 have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
 to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

Announcements

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.....Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues... Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith,

People *Christ has died.*

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Post Communion Prayer

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*Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

Blessing

Doxology

Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of the Risen Christ!

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*