Pre-Service Meditation: Psalm 139

P  This is the day that the Lord has made.
C  Let us rejoice and be glad in it!
P  Alleluia! Christ is risen and ascended.
C  Christ is risen and ascended indeed. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P  In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C  Amen.
C  Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
P  Is this your confession?
C  Yes.
P  Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C  Amen.
ENTRANCE HYMN

LSB #829 Christ the Eternal Lord

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THE FIRST READING

1 Peter 3:18-22

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, 19 in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, 20 because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. 21 Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

THE SECOND READING

Acts 1:1-11

1 In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, 2 until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 3 To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

4 And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” 7 He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” 9 And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11 and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”
Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.

SERMON

“Resurrection Appearance 7: The Ascension”

Pastor Andy

(Text: Luke 24:45-53)

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 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.

SERMON

HYMN

LSB #549 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call;
Ye seed of Israel’s chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,

Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
Exalt the stem of Jesse’s rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.

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THE PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.
For Thine is the kingdom
    and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

LSB #549 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da-vid’s line, Whom Da-vid Lord did call,
The God in-car-nate, man di-vine, And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng, We at His feet may fall!
We’ll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all.
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