THE TABLE

Worship Gathering
2nd Sunday of Easter
April 8, 2018

Gathering as the Body

Announcements and Welcome

Opening Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God's call to us;
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Father of all.

Song: Here For You

Let our praise be Your welcome
Let our songs be a sign
We are here for You, we are here for You
Let Your breath come from heaven
Fill our hearts with Your life
We are here for You, we are here for You

To You our hearts are open,
Nothing here is hidden
You are our one desire
You alone are holy
Only You are worthy
God let Your fire fall down

Let our shout be Your anthem
Your renown fill the sky
We are here for You, we are here for You
Let Your Word move in power
Let what's dead come to life
We are here for You, we are here for You

We welcome You with praise, we welcome You with praise
Almighty God of love, be welcome in this place
We welcome You with praise, we welcome You with praise
Almighty God of love, be welcome in this place
Let ev'ry heart adore, let ev'ry soul awake
Almighty God of love, be welcome in this place
We welcome You with praise, we welcome You with praise
Almighty God of love, be welcome in this place

To You our hearts are open,
Nothing here is hidden
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The Collect

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Blessing the Children

Let's bless one another as we continue to worship:
Adults: **The Lord be with you as you worship**
Kids: **And also with you.**

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your gospel is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading *Acts 4:32-35*

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm Reading *Psalm 133*

How good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!
It is like precious oil poured on the head,
running down on the beard,
running down on Aaron's beard,
down on the collar of his robe.
It is as if the dew of Hermon
were falling on Mount Zion.
For there the Lord bestows his blessing,
even life forevermore.

+ Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Scripture Reading *1 John 1:1-2:2*

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading *John 20:19-31*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

...The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of Response

Jesus we desire to be a community of joy that lives in the light together. Help me to meet you where I really am in my _____. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Prayers of the People

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Communing at the Table

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen

Prayers Around the Table

The Lord be with you.
And also 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 him thanks and praise!

...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:

(sung together)

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.

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!

... **+** Sanctify us also, that we may faithfully receive...

...Because you are one with us, O Christ,
make us one with you as we pray the prayer you taught us:

(sung together)
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.

...Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

All are welcome to come to the Lord's table. Come with open hands to receive the bread, dip it in the wine, and feed on Christ's presence, with thanksgiving.

If you are not a baptized Christian, you may come with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. (And let us know if you'd like to be baptized.)

Song: Remembrance

Oh, how could it be
That my God would welcome me
Into this mystery
Say take this bread, take this wine
Now the simple made divine
For any to receive

By Your mercy we come to Your table
By Your grace You are making us faithful

Lord, we remember You
And remembrance leads us to worship
And as we worship You
Our worship leads to communion
We respond to Your invitation
We remember You

See His body, His blood
Know that He has overcome
Every trial we will face
None too lost to be saved
None too broken or ashamed
All are welcome in this place

Dying You destroyed our death
Rising You restored our life
Lord Jesus, come in glory

Song of Praise: Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain, there's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breath
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus Yours is the victory

Song: Let Us Be Known

Let us be known by our love
In every word, in every deed honor the son
Let our light shine in every eye
Let us be known by our love

For the glory of the Father, For the glory of the Son
For the glory of the Spirit
Let us be known by our love / joy / peace

Let us be known by our joy
In every home, in every heart sing to the Lord
Let our life show goodness and hope
Let us be known by our joy

Let us be known by our peace
In every town, in every tribe Jesus is king
Let us go forth, heal and restore
Let us be known by our peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Sending

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sending and Blessing

The worship is over! The service has begun!
Receive the benediction:

Go now, sent by the one who was sent by God.
Walk in the light; testify to the resurrection of Christ;
forgive the sins of all, and live at peace with one another.

And may God bless you with life forever;
May Christ Jesus breathe his Spirit and peace into you;
And may the Holy Spirit lead you into the life and light of God.

+ In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!