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EASTER SUNDAY APR 12

Hell took a body, and discovered God.
It took earth, and encountered Heaven.
It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it did not see.

O death, where is thy sting?
O Hell, where is thy victory?

Christ is Risen, and you, o death, are annihilated!
Christ is Risen, and the evil ones are cast down!
Christ is Risen, and the angels rejoice!
Christ is Risen, and life is liberated!

Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead;
for Christ having risen from the dead,
is become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever. Amen!

John Chrysostom
400 AD

Play the Whole Service

This week we have made it possible for you to play the audio for the whole service without having to click on multiple links. You can still watch the videos or listen to individual audio files at your own pace below. Either way, we hope you will still use the liturgy here as a way to participate at 10a with the rest of the All Souls community. Thanks for bearing with us as we try something new.

Call to Worship
Paschal Troparion + Psalm 118

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Play 'Paschal Troparion'

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Christ is risen from the dead,
Trampling down death by death (x2)

And to those in the tomb
To those in the tomb he has given new life

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
All: his love endures forever.

The LORD is our strength and our song; he has become our salvation.
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; **his love endures forever.**

We will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done.
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; **his love endures forever.**

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;
The LORD has done this; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made; **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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Christ the Lord is risen today; alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say: alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; alleluia!
Where, oh death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save; alleluia!
Where thy victory, oh grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done; alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won; alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise; alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise; alleluia!

1 Peter 1:3-9

3 Blessed 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, 4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 so 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. 8 Though 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, 9 obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Isaiah 65:17-25

17 "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. 18 But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. 19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. 20 No

more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. 21 They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. 22 They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. 23 They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. 24 Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. 25 The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God,
When you raised Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death.
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by ways that lead to death and emptiness.
We return to our sinful ways instead of stepping into the new life you give.
Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired;
new love where have turned hard-hearted;
forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded.

In the bright light of Easter morning, Lord,
our sin is exposed, and your grace is revealed.
Raise us in your love so that, with joy,
we may be found in Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life.

Let's take a few moments to reflect silently on these words and to be directed into prayer, offering confession before the Lord, knowing forgiveness and rest are freely available in Jesus.

Receiving of Grace

Brothers and sisters, let us hear the good news this Easter morning:

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

God's grace abounds for us, even in our weakness.
Hear and know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 28:1-20

1 After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

2 There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His

appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. 4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

5 The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.

8 So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

11 While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. 12 When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, 13 telling them, “You are to say, ‘His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.’ 14 If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble.” 15 So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.18 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

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A Reflection from Andy (audio)

We Will Feast

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We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed, by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

Grateful Giving

Freely you have received; freely give. (Matthew 10:8)

All we have is given to us by God. Our offerings express this joyful dependance and our commitment to join God in his work of renewal.

Whether we have much or little, God calls us to treasure and trust Him above all. So we are to give as generously as we are able, knowing that He who met our most dire need through Christ will continue to provide for every need we

have. All gifts go toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.

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Benediction

May God be gracious to us and bless us
  and make his face to shine upon us,
that his way may be known upon earth,
  his saving power among all nations. **Amen**. (from Psalm 67:1-2)

Let us go forth and serve our world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Thanks be to God!**

Lord's Supper

This week, in an effort to cooperate with the state-wide 'stay at home' order and in an attempt to love our neighbors by limiting the spread of the coronavirus, we will not be hosting communion at the Loft. Please let us know how we can pray and care for you using the form linked below. If you would like to regularly pray and connect with other people in the community, you can sign up to join a prayer triad below.

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