

Quasimodo Geniti: The Sunday of the Confession of Thomas

9:30 am – 04/19/2020

Pray the following order as your ability and family size dictates. Musical notation is provided but you may speak instead. Hymns are provided throughout, with additional selections at the end of the document.

OPENING HYMN: LSB 467 AWAKE, MY HEART, WITH GLADNESS

- 1 Awake, my heart, with gladness,
See what today is done;
Now, after gloom and sadness,
Comes forth the glorious sun.
My Savior there was laid
Where our bed must be made
When to the realms of light
Our spirit wings its flight.
- 2 The foe in triumph shouted
When Christ lay in the tomb;
But lo, he now is routed,
His boast is turned to gloom.
For Christ again is free;
In glorious victory
He who is strong to save
Has triumphed o'er the grave.
- 3 This is a sight that gladdens—
What peace it doth impart!
Now nothing ever saddens
The joy within my heart.
No gloom shall ever shake,
No foe shall ever take
The hope which God's own Son
In love for me has won.
- 4 Now hell, its prince, the devil,
Of all their pow'r are shorn;
Now I am safe from evil,
And sin I laugh to scorn.
Grim death with all its might
Cannot my soul affright;
It is a pow'rless form,
Howe'er it rave and storm.
- 5 The world against me rages,
Its fury I disdain;
Though bitter war it wages,
Its work is all in vain.
My heart from care is free,
No trouble troubles me.
Misfortune now is play,
And night is bright as day.
- 6 Now I will cling forever
To Christ, my Savior true;
My Lord will leave me never,
Whate'er He passes through.
He rends death's iron chain;
He breaks through sin and pain;
He shatters hell's grim thrall;
I follow Him through all.

7 He brings me to the portal
 That leads to bliss untold,
 Whereon this rhyme immortal
 Is found in script of gold:
 "Who there My cross has shared
 Finds here a crown prepared;
 Who there with Me has died
 Shall here be glorified."

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VERSICLES

LSB 235

L O Lord, o - pen my lips,

C and my mouth shall de - clare Your praise.

C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

+ PSALMODY +

L Give glory to God, our light and our life.

C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

VENITE

LSB 236

C O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joy - ful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

I Let us come in - to His pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing;



let us make a joy - ful noise to Him with songs of praise.



II For the Lord is a great God and a great king a - bove all gods.



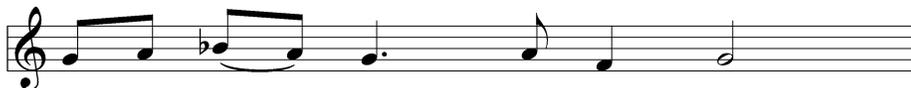
I In His hand are the depths of the earth;



the heights of the moun - tains are His al - so.



II The sea is His, for He made it;



and His hand formed the dry land.



I O come, let us wor - ship and bow down;



let us kneel be - fore the Lord, our mak - er.



II For He is our God, and we are the peo - ple



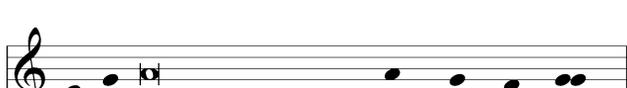
of His pas - ture and the sheep of His hand.



III Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



IV Give glory to God, our light and our life.



V O come, let us wor - ship Him.

PSALM 33

- ¹Shout for joy in the LORD, O you | righteous!*
- Praise befits the | upright.
- ²Give thanks to the LORD | with the lyre;*
- make melody to him with the harp of | ten strings!
- ³Sing to him a | new song;*
- play skillfully on the strings, with | loud shouts.
- ⁴For the word of the LORD is | upright,*
- and all his work is done in | faithfulness.
- ⁵He loves righteousness and | justice;*
- the earth is full of the steadfast love | of the LORD.
- ⁶By the word of the LORD the heav- | ens were made,*
- and by the breath of his mouth | all their host.
- ⁷He gathers the waters of the sea | as a heap;*
- he puts the deeps in | storehouses.
- ⁸Let all the earth | fear the LORD;*
- let all the inhabitants of the world stand in | awe of him!
- ⁹For he spoke, and it | came to be;*
- he commanded, and it | stood firm.
- ¹⁰The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to | nothing;*
- he frustrates the plans of the | peoples.
- ¹¹The counsel of the LORD stands for- | ever,*
- the plans of his heart to all gener- | ations.
- ¹²Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,*
- the people whom he has chosen as his | heritage!
- ¹³The LORD looks down from | heaven;*
- he sees all the chil- | dren of man;
- ¹⁴from where he sits enthroned he | looks out*
- on all the inhabitants | of the earth,
- ¹⁵he who fashions the hearts | of them all*
- and observes | all their deeds.
- ¹⁶The king is not saved by his great | army;*
- a warrior is not delivered by his | great strength.
- ¹⁷The war horse is a false hope for sal- | vation,*
- and by its great might it cannot | rescue.
- ¹⁸Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear him,*
- on those who hope in his | steadfast love,
- ¹⁹that he may deliver their | soul from death*
- and keep them alive in | famine.
- ²⁰Our soul waits | for the LORD;*
- he is our help | and our shield.
- ²¹For our heart is | glad in him,*
- because we trust in his | holy name.
- ²²Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be up- | on us,*
- even as we | hope in you.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

OFFICE HYMN: LSB 471 O SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

ref Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1 O sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting!
Alleluia!
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
Alleluia!

- 3 An angel clad in white they see,
Who sits and speaks unto the three,
“Your Lord will go to Galilee.”
Alleluia!
- 4 That night the apostles met in fear;
Among them came their master dear
And said, “My peace be with you here.”
Alleluia!
- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard
That they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples’ word.
Alleluia!
- 6 “My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
And look upon My hands, My feet;
Not faithless but believing be.”
Alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
“You are my Lord and God!” he cried.
Alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia!
- 9 On this most holy day of days
Be laud and jubilee and praise:
To God your hearts and voices raise.
Alleluia! *Refrain*

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+ READINGS +

READING

Ezekiel 37:1–14

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O LORD GOD, you know.” ⁴Then he said to me, “Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’ ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

Leader O Lord, have mercy on us.
Congregation **Thanks be to God.**

READING

1 John 5:4–10

⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son.

Leader O Lord, have mercy on us.

Congregation **Thanks be to God.**

READING

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.

Leader O Lord, have mercy on us.

Congregation **Thanks be to God.**

Leader In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

Congregation **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

472 THESE THINGS DID THOMAS COUNT AS REAL

- 1 These things did Thomas count as real:
The warmth of blood, the chill of steel,
The grain of wood, the heft of stone,
The last frail twitch of flesh and bone.
- 2 The vision of his skeptic mind
Was keen enough to make him blind
To any unexpected act
Too large for his small world of fact.
- 3 His reasoned certainties denied
That one could live when one had died,
Until his fingers read like braille
The markings of the spear and nail.
- 4 May we, O God, by grace believe
And thus the risen Christ receive,
Whose raw imprinted palms reached out
And beckoned Thomas from his doubt.

+ PRAYER +

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader Let us pray.
Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation **Amen.**

COLLECTS

COLLECT FOR GRACE

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 241

BENEDICAMUS

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Leader Let us bless the Lord.
Congregation **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

LSB 242

Pastor The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ~~Fi~~ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
Congregation **Amen.**

490 JESUS LIVES! THE VICTORY'S WON

- 1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!
Death no longer can appall me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave will Christ recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.
- 2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne
High above all things is given.
I shall go where He is gone,
Live and reign with Him in heaven.
God is faithful; doubtings, hence!
This shall be my confidence.
- 3 Jesus lives! For me He died,
Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
Praise to Him and glory giving.
All I need God will dispense;
This shall be my confidence.
- 4 Jesus lives! I know full well
Nothing me from Him shall sever.
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell
Part me now from Christ forever.
God will be my sure defense;
This shall be my confidence.
- 5 Jesus lives! And now is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
Jesus is my confidence!

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