

April 17, 2022

**Psalm 118: 14-29**

- <sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my power;  
the Lord has become my salvation.
- <sup>15</sup>**There are joyous songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:**  
“The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;  
<sup>16</sup> the right hand of the LORD is exalted;  
**the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.”**  
<sup>17</sup> I shall not die, but I shall live,  
and recount the deeds of the LORD.
- <sup>18</sup>**The LORD has chastened me sorely,  
but has not given me over to death.**
- <sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the LORD.
- <sup>20</sup>**This is the gate of the LORD;  
the righteous shall enter through it.**
- <sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.
- <sup>22</sup>**The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.**
- <sup>23</sup> This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- <sup>24</sup>**This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- <sup>25</sup> Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!  
**O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!**
- <sup>26</sup> Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD!  
**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**  
<sup>27</sup> The LORD is God,  
and has given us light.  
**Lead the festal procession with branches,  
up to the horns of the altar.**
- <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;  
you are my God, I will extol you.
- <sup>29</sup>**O give thanks to the LORD, who is good;  
for God’s steadfast love endures for ever.**

## 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26

<sup>19</sup> If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

<sup>20</sup> But now Christ is risen from the dead, *and* has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since by man *came* death, by Man also *came* the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those *who are* Christ's at His coming. <sup>24</sup> Then *comes* the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy *that* will be destroyed *is* death.

## St. John 20: 1-8

<sup>1</sup> Now the first *day* of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw *that* the stone had been taken away from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him."

<sup>3</sup> Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb. <sup>4</sup> So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying *there*; yet he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying *there*, <sup>7</sup> and the <sup>[a]</sup>handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed.

## Sung Communion Liturgy for Easter Sunday

At the table, Easter people  
Gather now, let voices ring  
Lift your hearts to God, Creator  
Lift your hearts, and praises bring.  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Resurrection people, sing!**

In God's image, we're created  
Called to life from breath and dust.  
Yet we turn from God, who loves us,  
Building walls and breaking trust  
**God, forgive us! God forgive us! Holy God, deliver us!**

Through the ages, God pursued us,  
Calling us through prophets bold  
Yet we would not heed the message  
Or believe the truth they told  
**God, Hosanna! We, your people, in your mercy now enfold!**

In the right time God sent Jesus  
God-made-flesh, God face-to-face  
Showing us the ways of justice  
Healing, preaching, teaching faith  
**Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Jesus, Savior, Gift of Grace!**

With disciples he shared supper  
Cup of life and living bread  
Symbols of his body, broken  
Signs of his redeeming love  
**We remember! We remember! Grace and mercy we are fed.**

Pour on us your Holy Spirit,  
We, your people gathered here.  
Take these gifts of bread and cup now  
Make them be as Christ for us  
**We, your people, we, your people  
with the world Christ's body share!**

Let us live as Easter people  
Bound no more by death and fear  
We are children of God's kin-dom  
God's redemption time is here  
**Now we gather, now we gather, gather for this holy meal!**

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Prayer after Communion:

Blessed, Forgiven, God, we thank you  
For this Holy Mystery  
Send us forth to love and serve you,  
With your eyes the world to see.  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people we will be!**