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HYMN - 441:1-4 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

OPENING DIALOGUE

M: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

M: This is the day the Lord has made.

C: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

M: I will sing to the Lord, for he is highly exalted. The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

C: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

M: I will not die, but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

M: The Lord's right hand is majestic in power. The Lord's right hand has shattered the enemy.

C: Death has been swallowed up in victory.

M: The Lord will not abandon me to the grave. He has made known to me the path of life.

C: Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

M: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

C: The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign forever and ever.

M: Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.

C: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

M: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN – 470:1,2 "Like the Golden Sun Ascending"

The Word

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before you in righteousness and purity forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

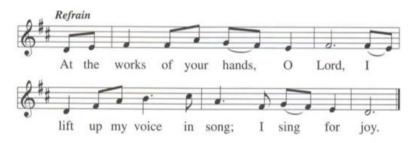
C: Amen.

FIRST READING – Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines. ⁷On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; ⁸ he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken.

⁹ In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Psalm 30





Sing to the LORD, you saints of his;* praise his holy name.

For his anger lasts only a moment,* but his favor lasts a lifetime;

weeping may remain for a night,* but rejoicing comes in the morning.

Refrain

To you, O LORD, I called;*
to the Lord I cried for mercy.

Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me;*
O LORD, be my help.

You turned my wailing into dancing,*
that my heart may sing to you and not be silent.

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

Refrain

¹² But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. ¹⁵ More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

HYMN – 465 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

GOSPEL - John 20:1-18

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" ³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen.

⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying. ¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). ¹⁷ Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

HYMN - 455 "Alleluia! Jesus Lives"

SERMON – John 20:1-18

"Rejoice and Be Glad"

CREED - 940 "We All Believe in One True God"

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

HYMN - 446 "Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense"

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN - 450 "The Day of Resurrection"