



RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

EASTER DAY

Year C

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

OR ISAIAH 65:17-25, following

A reading from Acts.

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⁴⁰but God raised Jesus on the third day

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⁴¹not to all the people

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and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

⁴²“Jesus commanded us to preach to the people
and to testify that he is the one ordained by God
as judge of the living and the dead.

⁴³All the prophets testify about Jesus

that everyone who believes in him

receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Word of God, word of life. *or* The word of the Lord.

OR: Isaiah 65:17-25

A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁷I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating,
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy
and its people as a delight.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it
or the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it
an infant who lives but a few days
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime,
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They 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.

²³They shall not labor in vain
or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—
and their descendants as well.

²⁴Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together;
the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

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PSALMODY: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

OR ACTS 10:34-43, following

A reading from First Corinthians.

¹⁹If for this life only we have hoped in Christ,
we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have died.

²¹For since death came through a human,
the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human,

²²for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

²³But each in its own order:

Christ the first fruits,
then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

²⁴Then comes the end,
when Christ hands over the dominion to God, the Father,
after destroying every ruler and every authority and power.

²⁵For Christ must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12
OR JOHN 20:1-18, following

The holy gospel according to Luke.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn,
[the women] went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.
²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,
³but when they went in they did not find the body.
⁴While they were perplexed about this,
suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.
⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground,
but the men said to them,
“Why do you look for the living among the dead?
He is not here but has risen.
⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,
⁷that the Son-of-Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners
and be crucified and on the third day rise again.”
⁸Then the women remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb
they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.
¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James,
and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.
¹¹But these words seemed to the apostles an idle tale,
and they did not believe the women.
¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb;
stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves;
then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The gospel of the Lord.

OR: John 20:1-18

The holy gospel according to John.

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark,
Mary Magdalene came to the tomb
and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.
²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple,
the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them,
“They have taken the Lord out of the tomb,
and we do not know where they have laid him.” ▶

³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb.

⁴The two were running together,

but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in.

⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb.

He saw the linen wrappings lying there,

⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head,

not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.

⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first,

also went in, and he saw and believed,

⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture,

that Jesus must rise from the dead.

¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb.

As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb,

¹²and she saw two angels in white

sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying,

one at the head and the other at the feet.

¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?"

She said to them,

"They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him."

¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there,

but she did not know that it was Jesus.

¹⁵Jesus said to her,

"Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?"

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him,

"Sir, if you have carried him away,

tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!"

She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher).

¹⁷Jesus said to her,

"Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father.

But go to my brothers and say to them,

'I am ascending to my Father and your Father,

to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples,

"I have seen the Lord,"

and she told them that Jesus had said these things to her.

The gospel of the Lord.