

Ríchland Cemetery March 31, 2024

Acclamation

P: Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!!

Gathering Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" vs.1-2

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day Pastor Thomas Moore

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43 Pastor Thomas Moore

P: Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message. God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8 Vicar Claudia Plows

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. **He has risen!** He is not here. See the place where they laid him.

But go, tell his disciples and Peter, He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."

Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone because they were afraid.

The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Vicar Claudia Plows

Sharing of Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Closing Prayer Pastor Thomas Moore

Sending Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" vs.3-4

3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation hath procured, Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia! Praise Him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

HAPPY EASTER!!!

We would like to thank the Richland Cemetery, Pastor Thomas Moore, Vicar Claudia Plows and our musician, Charlie Nemeth for their participation in today's Sunrise Service. Please stay and enjoy some refreshments.