

Year C; Resurrection of the Lord; Easter Sunday
Liturgical Elements
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Lectionary Texts

- Acts 10:34-43
 - or Isaiah 65:17-25
- Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
- 1 Corinthians 15:19-26
 - or Acts 10:34-43
- John 20:1-18
 - or Luke 24:1-12

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 118*)

One: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

All: Let Israel and the church say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

One: The LORD is our strength and our might, he has become our salvation.

All: There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

One: the right hand of the LORD does valiantly;

All: the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.

One: We shall not die, but we shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

All: The LORD has punished us severely, but he did not give us over to death.

One: Open to us the gates of righteousness, that we may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

All: This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. Let us worship God!

***CALL TO CONFESSION** (*from Acts 10*)

Peter proclaimed to the people, "God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him." Let us humbly confess our sins with fear and repentance.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*from Acts 10*)

All the prophets testify about Jesus that everyone who believes and trusts in Jesus receives forgiveness of sins through his name. Follow Jesus' righteous path, believe and trust in him, and trust that we are forgiven. **Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*from Psalm 118*)

God of our salvation, we thank you that you have answered us and have become our salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone in Jesus. This is your doing, O LORD; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that you, O LORD, have made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. In our rejoicing, we offer these tithes for the continued spread of King Jesus' kingdom, your Kingdom of Heaven on earth. Amen.

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