



Welcome to the

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Thought for the Week

The great gift of Easter is hope – Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake.

– Basil Hume

Order of Service for Sunday 19th April 2020

This Service will be led Rev. Irene Bom

Sunday 19th April 2020
First Sunday after Easter

Call to Worship - (congregational responses in **bold**)

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,

**But we see him in the lives
of those transformed by grace.**

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

**But we have seen him in the faces
of everyone whose love encourages us.**

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

**But we have been called
to bring healing to the scarred of the world.**

Welcome

CH4 459 – Crown him with many crowns

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

3 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me:
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

Children's Message

CH4 443 - He is Lord

1 He is Lord, he is Lord;
he is risen from the dead, and he is Lord;
every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

2 He is love, he is love;
he has shown us by his life that he is love;
all his people sing with one voice of joy
that Jesus Christ is love.

3 He is life, he is life;
he has died to set us free and he is life;
and he calls us all to live evermore,
for Jesus Christ is life.

4 He is King, he is King;
he will draw all nations to him, he is King;
and the time shall be when the world shall sing
that Jesus Christ is King.

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Confession – ending with The Lord’s Prayer

Bible Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3 - 9

3 Praise be to the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his
great mercy he has given us new
birth into a living hope through the
resurrection of Jesus Christ from
the dead,

4 and into an inheritance that can
never perish, spoil or fade. This
inheritance is kept in heaven for
you,

5 who through faith are shielded
by God’s power until the coming of
the salvation that is ready to be
revealed in the last time.

6 In all this you greatly rejoice,
though now for a little while you
may have had to suffer grief in all
kinds of trials.

7 These have come so that the
proven genuineness of your faith—
of greater worth than gold, which
perishes even though refined by
fire—may result in praise, glory

and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

8 Though you have not seen him,
you love him; and even though
you do not see him now, you
believe in him and are filled with
an inexpressible and glorious joy,
9 for you are receiving the end
result of your faith, the salvation of
your souls.

Hymn 466 Before the throne of God above

1 Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea;
a great High Priest, whose name is Love
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
my name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heaven he stands
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

2 When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look, and see him there
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died,
my sinful soul is counted free;
for God the just is satisfied
to look on him and pardon me.

3 Behold him there! the risen Lamb!
my perfect, spotless righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with himself, I cannot die;

my soul is purchased by his blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ my Saviour and my God.

Bible Reading: John 20: 19 - 31

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

24 Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came.

25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

28 Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

30 Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.

31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Reflection

MP 30 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks

*Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord;
alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to His name.*

- 1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation.
Alleluia, alleluia . . .
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen.
Alleluia, alleluia . . .
- 3 We have been crucified with Christ;
now we shall live for ever.
Alleluia, alleluia . . .
- 4 God has proclaimed the just reward,
life for all men, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia . . .

- 5 Come let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Saviour:
Alleluia, alleluia . . .

Offering & Dedication

Church News

Prayers of the People (Elder)

**CH4 166 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy
= MP 882**

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

St. Patrick's Breastplate

Benediction and Three-fold Amen.

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com
For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays

We congratulate ?????? on her birthday this week.
Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

What's on the agenda?

Sunday 26 April Online Praise & Worship Service

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Irene Bom
Elder: Frieda Enow
Children's message: Rev. Irene Bom
Consistory Clerk: Bob Hensen
Organist: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp
Bible Reader: various T.B.A.
Welcome: n.a.

Crèche: n.a.
Offering & Counting: n.a.
Door: n.a.
Beamer: n.a.
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For the Beamer

Church News of 19.04.2020 read by the Elder

Completed by Ato Bob on Sunday morning.