

SUNDAY, MAY 28 | ACTS 3

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ has come into heaven
and is at God's right hand—
with angels, authorities, and powers in submission to him.

Since we have a great high priest
who has gone into heaven—
Jesus, the Son of God—let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

Let us praise his holy name!
Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!

Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor, power, and strength
be to our God forevermore!
Let us praise the name of the Lord! Alleluia, Amen!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,
in raising Jesus from the grave,
you shattered the power
of sin and death.

We confess that we remain
captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.

We overlook the poor and the hungry
and pass by those who mourn;
we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed
and indifferent to calls for peace;

We despise the weak
and abuse the earth you made.
Forgive us, God of mercy.

Help us to be transformed
by your power,
make us new, and fill us
with your love;
that we may know
the joy of life abundant
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear what God's word says:

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands.

This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Colossians 2:13–15

Christians, we declare with joy and trust:

Christ has conquered sin and death.

Christ is Lord of all creation.

Christ, our risen Lord, is coming.

The ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Praise be to God!

BENEDICTION

May the blessing of the eternal God,
creator and sustainer,
risen and ascended Lord and Savior,
giver of holiness and love,
be upon you now and evermore.

Go now in the love of Christ
and the presence and the power of the Spirit
who is with you always.

Amen.