

There's a Psalm for This

During the season of Easter, we give thanks to God the Father for raising Jesus, God's Son, from the dead by God's Holy Spirit. But even as we focus on this important event, it's also good to remember to give thanks for the smaller things as well. Psalms like Psalm 135 are all about giving thanks for what God is doing by repeating the things God has done in our lives and in the lives of others.

Psalm 135 (CEB)

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord's name! All you who serve the Lord, praise God!

All you who stand in the Lord's house—

 who stand in the courtyards of our God's temple—

 praise the Lord, because the Lord is good!

 Sing praises to God's name because it is beautiful!

Because the Lord chose Jacob as his own,

 God chose Israel as his treasured possession.

Yes, I know for certain that the Lord is great—

 I know our Lord is greater than all other gods.

The Lord can do whatever he wants in heaven or on earth,

 in the seas and in every ocean depth.

God forms clouds at the far corners of the earth. God makes lightning for the rain.

 God releases the wind from its storeroom.

 God struck down the Egyptians' oldest offspring—both human and animal!

God sent signs and wonders into the very center of Egypt—

 against Pharaoh and all his servants.

God struck down many nations and killed mighty kings:

Sihon the Amorite king, Og the king of Bashan, and all the Canaanite kings.

Then God handed their land over as an inheritance—

 as an inheritance to Israel, his own people.

Lord, your name is forever! Lord, your fame extends from one generation to the next!

The Lord gives justice to his people and has compassion on those who serve him.

The nations' idols are just silver and gold—things made by human hands.

They have mouths, but they can't speak. They have eyes, but they can't see.

They have ears, but they can't listen. No, there's no breath in their lungs!

Let the people who made these idols and all who trust in them become just like them!

House of Israel, bless the Lord!

 House of Aaron, bless the Lord! House of Levi, bless the Lord!

 You who honor the Lord, bless the Lord!

Bless the Lord from Zion—bless the one who lives in Jerusalem!

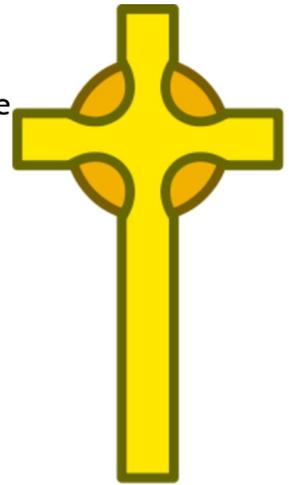
Praise the Lord!

Even as we remember Jesus' resurrection, let's also remember all the things God does for us – things great and small – and give God the praise God is due!

Pastor Mike Galica

Holy Cross Announcements

He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! We are now in the **season of Easter**, in which we celebrate the most important event in history: the day on which our Lord Jesus Christ showed his defeat of sin, death, and the devil by rising from the grave. Rejoice with us in the resurrection of our Lord! Our paraments are white during this season to reflect our celebration.



The **Bear River Health Department** has begun COVID-19 for all those over 16! For more information and to check availability, visit <https://brhd.org/covid-19-vaccine-information/>

Our state and local health departments' COVID-19 Transmission Level for our county is "Medium". This means that we will be now offering in-person worship again! Please review the Holy Cross COVID-19 plan on our website to review the requests and requirements for meeting together. Most importantly, wear a mask and please remember that available space is limited due to social distancing! Please let Pastor Mike know if you are planning to attend in-person.

If you're a Thrivent member, you may have **Thrivent Choice Dollars** to distribute! Visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-847-4836 to find out if you are eligible.

If you want to give an offering to the church but are either unable to or don't feel comfortable with attending in person, you can mail it to PO Box 732, Brigham City UT, 84302. The post office box gets checked regularly and your giving will be secure.

Sunday School for children and adults is recessed.

Holy Cross Quilters will continue refraining from meeting.

This Week's Readings:

3rd Sunday of Easter – *Stephen's Witness* – Acts 6:1-7:2a,44-60; Luke 12:1-12

Next Week's Readings:

4th Sunday of Easter – *Ethiopian Eunuch Baptized* – Acts 8:26-39; Luke 24:36-49

Prayer List

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." — Phil 4:6

Keep the following in your prayers

Matt, Deborah Kay's cousin, for healing.

Tyson, Michelle's dad's friend's son, for mental health.

Sharon, for a swift recovery after surgery.

Brian Hohn, friend of Bob Kosbab, with esophageal cancer.

Our vulnerable populations, especially those with underlying health conditions, the homeless, and those lacking access to proper medical care in this time.

Nora Greer, for healing.

Trudee Klein, friend of Deborah Kay, for healing from cancer.

Tom & Jeanette Croft, friend of Kosbabs, for healing.

Abby Rasmussen and family, friends of Kosbabs, as she struggles with cystic fibrosis.

John Buist, our custodian, for continued health problems.

Lynne, Robert Quick's wife, with health issues.

Aleasa, Robert Quick's daughter, with health issues.

Mark Sparkman, Quick's son-in-law, recurring health problems.

Gloria Perry, for healing from health problems.

Box Elder County Jail Ministry, that the inmates may respond to the Gospel.

Deborah Kay Hansen, prayers for healing from recurring health problems.

Give thanks to God

Bryce and Emily Herman and newborn daughter, nephew & family of the Kosbabs, have recovered well.

Claudia Long, Andrea's mom, is doing much better but still needs prayer for strength and health.

Tripp, newborn son of Lexa and Kyler, is off oxygen and doing much better.

Keep those in prayer who are in harm's way

Medical professionals and all who are continuing to work during this pandemic.

Braxton Jeppsen, serving in the US Navy.

Let Pastor Mike know if there are any petitions you wish to add to our Prayer List. If you added someone to the prayer list, please update us on how they are doing! We love to celebrate praises as well as petitions. Out of concern for people's privacy, we no longer speak people's names in the worship service, but we continue to pray for all their needs and concerns.