**SINGING:**  415:2,6; 333:1; 319:1,2,3; 174:3,4; 58

**READING:** Exodus 20: 1 – 17; Luke 24: 33 -45

 **THE RISEN PRINCE OF LIFE**

 *By the late Rev. Chr. van der Poel*

Text: Luke 24: 36

*“And as they thus spake, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of*

*them, and said unto them, “Peace be unto you.”*

**He speaks to them of peace**

* Listen, it flowed from His lips, “Peace be unto you.”
* Therefore He ascended to heaven to impart that peace

to His Church, by His Spirit.

* And yet that is the experience of those who have

come into the state of peace with God and have

learned to know the Prince of Peace.

**He shows them His hands and feet**

* It indeed was a glorified body, but yet it was the same

body, now glorified.

* Why are you actually troubled, and why do such

considerations come up in your hearts.

* That all of us would have to do with an all-knowing

God, before Whom no one can exist.

* “Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself:

handle Me, and see”.

* By our guilt we have woven His crown of thorns, and

filled His cup.

* It may yet be proclaimed that salvation is for

wretched ones; that there is forgiveness for sinners.

* Because we have to do with a God Who will put His

people upon their place.

* Yes, I was dead, but I am no longer dead.

I am alive and I live forever.

**He opens their understanding**

* I have fulfilled the counsel of God upon the earth for

the benefit , for the salvation, for the advantage of you.

* God binds His people to Him and His word.
* It also is true that when one lacks wisdom, let him

ask it of God.

* This message of conversion and forgiveness of sins

may still be brought to you this day.

* And when here it is a seeing by faith, a knowing in

part, what shall it one day be when the King might

be seen in His beauty.