

**P** Let us pray...

# Easter Sunrise

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**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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## SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22; pg. 201

**P** The Lord be with you.

*Please register your presence with us  
by filling out one of the Member/Guest cards found in the pew rack in front of you  
and giving it to an usher or placing into the offering plate.*

**BENEDIC**   
**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

Psalm 103:1; pg. 202

**P** Bless we the Lord.

In the early church, the celebration of the **LORD’S SUPPER** was viewed as a continuation of the **RESURRECTION** appearances of the Risen Savior. It was viewed much the same as Jesus saying to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see My hands. Stop doubting and believe” (John 20:27). As Jesus promised, we believe that He is really present in this Sacrament with His very body and His very blood for our forgiveness. To commune at our altar is to confess the doctrine of this congregation and The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod. Therefore, the pastor offers regular instruction in the Christian faith.

## CLOSING SENTENCES

Psalm 118:23–24

**P** This is the LORD’s doing;  
**C** it is marvelous in our eyes.

**P** This is the day that the LORD has made;  
**C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## AS WE GATHER

At last! The day of Easter is finally here! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! The darkness of death is now overwhelmed by the light of Christ’s resurrection victory. Satan stands defeated, and death is destroyed. The enemy no longer has power over Christ Jesus, nor does he have claim over your life either! As you bow in faith before Jesus and rise to sing your praises to Him early this Easter morning, may the joy of this day inspire you to find joy in your Savior every day. New beginnings start at the empty tomb, and there’s no better way to begin our Easter celebration than at the break of day, joining together to sing the praises of Him who died yet was raised to life again. “This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it” (Psalm 118:24).

## BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26; pg. 202

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC — THE BELLS** — *The Scribe is O’er*  
*Jesus Christ Is Ris’n Today*

arr. Kevin Chesney  
arr. Kevin Chesney

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING HYMN** — *The Day of Resurrection*

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# ✠ SERVICE of PREPARATION ✠

## OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 118:24

- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P** This is the day that the LORD has made;  
**C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on the promises of God's Word.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
- P** As we bow before You in faith at the break of day, we take refuge in the mercy You provide for us through Your Son's victory over sin, death, and the grave.  
**C** Forgive us, renew us, and lead us. Enliven us by Your Spirit. Fill our hearts with joy that we may walk by faith this day and always to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has raised Christ from the dead and crowned Him with glory and honor. Because the risen King has conquered death and delivered us from our sins, we stand forgiven in His sight. As your pastor, it is my joy this Easter morning to forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**DIST**

**NUN**

**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A - men.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

## THANKSGIVING

*Psalm 107:1; pg. 200*

- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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**C** A - men.

**LOR** **C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

**THE** world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

**PAX** tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. *120.19*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God

John 1:29; pg. 198

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## ✠ SERVICE of the WORD ✠

### INTROIT

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: v. 1b

- P** I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;
- C** the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.
- P** The LORD is my strength and my song,
- C** and He has become my salvation.
- P** Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
- C** Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- P** You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed;
- C** You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode.
- P** You will bring them in and plant them on Your own mountain,
- C** the place, O LORD, which You have made for Your abode,
- P** the sanctuary, O Lord, which Your hands have established.
- C** The LORD will reign forever and ever.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

- P** I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;
- C** the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.

### KYRIE — Lord, Have Mercy

- P** Risen Redeemer,
- C** have mercy upon us.
- P** Conquering King,
- C** have mercy upon us.
- P** Victorious Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C** grant us Your peace.

HYMN OF PRAISE — Now All the Vault of Heav'n Resounds

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**GREETING**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P** Let us pray....Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You defeated death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Take away all gloom and sadness, and fill us with the joy of His resurrection victory; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen. *(Sit)*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Exodus 15:1-11

*(The Israelites praise the Lord for His triumph and their salvation.)*

- <sup>1</sup>Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying,  
 “I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;  
 the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.
- <sup>2</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song,  
 and He has become my salvation;  
 this is my God, and I will praise Him,  
 my father’s God, and I will exalt Him.
- <sup>3</sup>The LORD is a man of war;  
 the LORD is His name.
- <sup>4</sup>“Pharaoh’s chariots and his host He cast into the sea,  
 and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.
- <sup>5</sup>The floods covered them;  
 they went down into the depths like a stone.
- <sup>6</sup>Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,  
 Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- <sup>7</sup>In the greatness of Your majesty You overthrow Your adversaries;  
 You send out Your fury; it consumes them like stubble.
- <sup>8</sup>At the blast of Your nostrils the waters piled up;  
 the floods stood up in a heap;  
 the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.
- <sup>9</sup>The enemy said, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake,  
 I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(Stand)*



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**PREFACE**

- P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na, <sup>5j</sup>



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

that He must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples went back to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. <sup>12</sup>And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." <sup>14</sup>Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to Him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and that He had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.  
**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
NICENE CREED pg. 192

**H**YMN OF THE DAY — *Awake, My Heart, with Gladness* sts. 1-4; # 467  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

**S**ERMON "Love that Ends Our Fears" - Mark 16:1-8  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

**O**FFERTORY — *I Know that My Redeemer Lives* Richard Wienholt  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -

**O**FFERTORY (Stand) *Psalms 116:12-13; 17-19; pg. 192*  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

**G** And with thy spir - it.

I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them. <sup>7</sup>

<sup>10</sup>You blew with Your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

<sup>11</sup>"Who is like You, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like You, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?"

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**H**YMN — *The Day Is Surely Drawing Near*

sts. 1-2; # 508

**E**PISTLE READING ("Let us therefore celebrate the festival.") 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? <sup>7</sup>Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. <sup>8</sup>Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**A**LLELUIA and **V**ERSE (Stand)

2 Timothy 1:10b

**P** Alleluia. Christ Jesus abolished death

**C** and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.

**H**OLY GOSPEL (*Mary Magdalene sees the risen Lord Jesus.*)

John 20:1-18

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St John, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." <sup>3</sup>So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the Scripture,