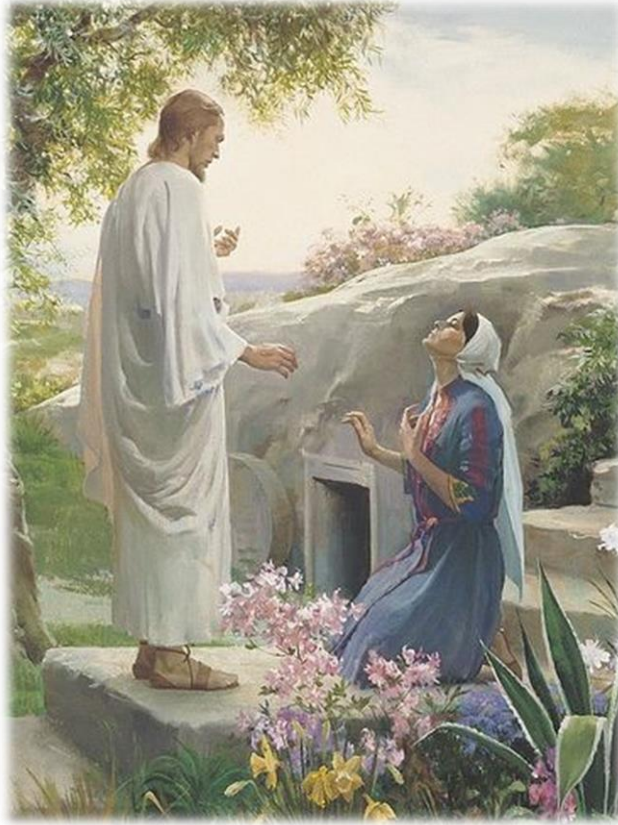


SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Day

March 31, 2024

400 River Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29212

*In the order of service, congregational responses are printed in **bold**.*

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Special Music

Van Price & Bonnie Ayers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INVOCATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir

Please Stand

Alleluia, Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

GATHERING SONG

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

ELW 365

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

ELW 364 vs 1-3

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please Sit

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

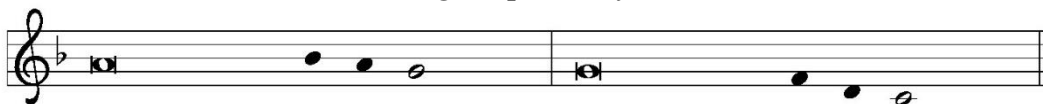
Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in

every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (*Sung Responsively*)



¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;
God’s mercy en- dures forever.

²**Let Israel now declare,
“God’s mercy en- dures forever.”**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
“The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!**

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!”

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.**

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰“This is the gate of the LORD;
here the righteous may enter.”

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.**

²²The stone that the build- | ers rejected
has become the chief | cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has | this been done;
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the | LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

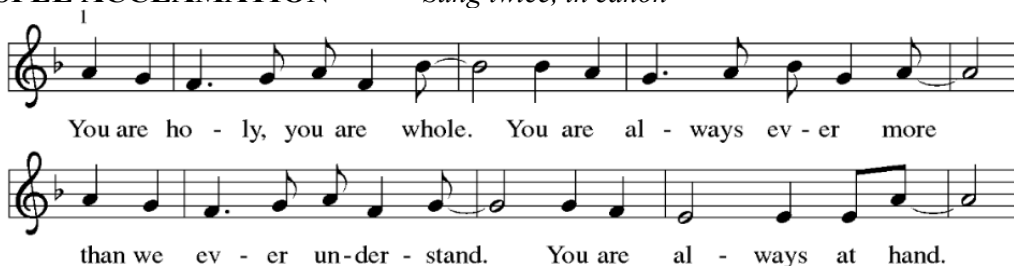
³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sung twice, in canon



¹
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

²
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please Sit

MESSAGE

Pastor Frank W. Anderson

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW 367

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day and for those who are ill, especially.... God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

Please Sit

THANKSGIVING AND MEAL

We give in grateful response for all God's gifts; God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERING

*We offer the convenience of **secure online giving** through [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly). Please see the back*

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ANTHEM

Christ is Living

Choir

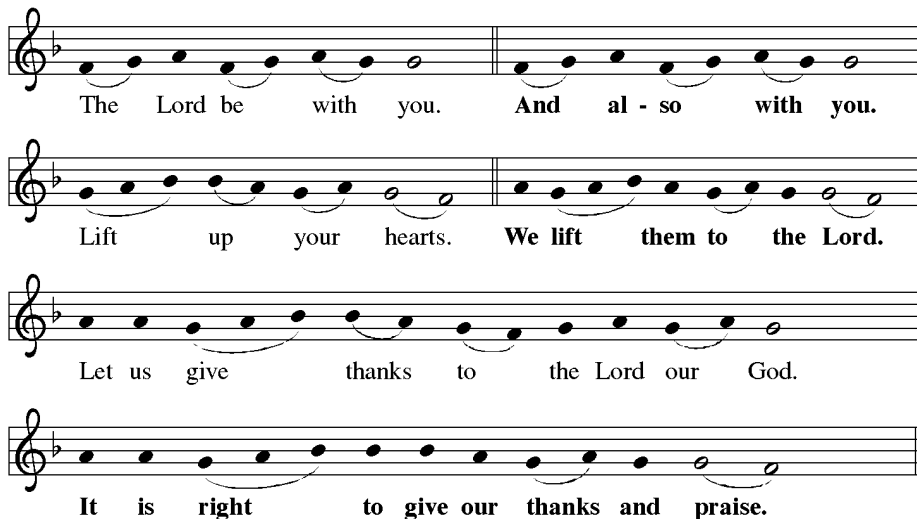
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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right...and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -

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

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

This is the day that in joy and delight we join with all the angels of heaven and all the creatures on earth to sing our praise and thanksgiving to you, all holy and mighty and glorious God. For Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

This is the day that you gave light to the earth. This is the day that you saved the Israelites through the sea and with your pillar of fire led them to freedom. Now every night is as bright as day, and that light is Christ: **Thanks be to God.**

This is the day that you broke the chains of death. This is the day that, marrying heaven to earth, you washed away sin, rescued us from evil, and brought us your peace. The Lamb who was slain has begun to reign, for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

On this day send us the power of your Holy Spirit. Revive us with the body and blood of our risen Savior. Illumine our lives with your presence, and shine your Morning Star over the whole human race, for that light is Christ: **Thanks be to God.**

All holy and mighty and glorious God, radiant Father, victorious Son, and shining Spirit, we bless your salvation, we sing of your mercy, and we praise your victory through all time and space, for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

Amen and amen. **Amen and amen.**

Saint Michael Lutheran Church 1852 Lord's Prayer

H.S. Hoy

This version of the 1852 Lord's Prayer will be sung by the congregation for the Easter season.

Copies of the original print are available in the narthex.

Our Fa - ther who art in Heav-en hal-low-ed be thy name, Thy king-dom come,

8

Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heav-en Give us day by day our dai - ly bread, give us

16

day by day our dai - ly bread, give us day by day our dai - ly bread. And for - give our tres-pass -

22

es as we for - give those who tres-pass a - gainst us. Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,

32

but de - liv - er us from e - vil: For thine is the king - dom and the pow - er, and the glo - ry.

43

For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

Please Sit

COMMUNION

Holy Communion is offered to all who believe in Jesus Christ, who confess their sins, and seek forgiveness. For those who are able, an usher will instruct the congregation when to come forward using the center aisle; please return to your pew using the side aisles. Wine, juice (white), and gluten-free wafers are available. Please alert an usher if you require assistance so communion can be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please Stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

COMMUNION CANTICLE *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* **ELW 619**, vs 1-4

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with

your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope

✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

ELW 384

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Lector: Paul Nevergoll

Sacristans: Rita Anderson & Deborah Heinrich

Ushers: Bill Smoak, Mike Burgess

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given today to the glory of God and in honor of Gerry & Myrna Goegeline by Preston & Julie Lucas. Thanks for being such great parents!

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THANK YOU to Van Price and to Bonnie Ayers, for sharing their musical talents with us this morning.

LILIES MAY BE TAKEN HOME if you purchased a plant. For those that haven't paid yet, please be sure to indicate you are paying for "lilies" in the memo line!

THANK YOU to the Ladies of Saint Michael for their hard work in providing the delicious Easter breakfast this morning, and a special thank you to all those who have helped with our worship and activities this Holy Week.

OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 1st.

BEER & HYMNS IS TUESDAY, APRIL 2nd! We would love to see you from 5-7 at the Irmo Craft & Draft. You don't have to sing but you'll enjoy the fellowship.



THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL 4:55 pm M/F Update Calls from Pastor Frank!

TODAY, Sunday, March 31 *Easter Sunday*

7:00 a.m. *Sunrise Service*—East parking lot
7:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
9:15 a.m. NO Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Choir Warmup
10:00 a.m. Pre-Service Easter Music in Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. *Worship Service with Holy Communion*



Monday, April 1 OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 2 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting (*Back to Basics Group*) FH
5:00 p.m. Beer & Hymns at Craft & Draft, Irmo

Wednesday, April 3 10:00 a.m. NO Bible Study
NO Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 4 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting (*Back to Basics Group*) FH

Friday, April 5 10:00 a.m. AA Meeting (*Mid Morning Group*) ChEd

Next Sunday, April 7 *Second Sunday of Easter*

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. NO Choir Warmup
10:30 a.m. *Worship: Songs and Stories of the Resurrection*
Jeff Dugger, Worship Leader

Pastor Frank will be out April 1-8. Please contact the office for any pastoral care needs.



Thank you for joining us in worship this Easter morning.



**LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS
FOR FRIENDS--HOME, REHAB, SENIOR LIVING* AND/OR ILL**

- *Dot Black
- *Bob & Joyce Bowers
- *Don Buff
- *Rose Colley
- *Helen Derrick
- *Virgie Dreher
- *Barbara Fowler
- *Alma Paulson
- *Miriam Shealy
- *Tommae Sligh
-

- Kristin Belusko
- Drew Colley
- Donny Day
- Jackie Dunning
- Danny Fulmer
- Lisa Gillespie
- Douglas Gourley
- Joy Gunter
- Tim Hart
- David Heinrich
- Jill Lee
- Mickey Lindler
- Crosby Livingston

- Angie Matlosz
- Terry Matlosz
- Gary McManus
- Bob Michelsen
- Harry O’Quinn
- Brooke Pittman
- Jane Potts
- Melinda Sharpe
- Marla Smith
- JoAnn Smoak
- Richard Starnes
- Marlene Stirewalt
- Bruce Whelchel

MEMBERS & FAMILIES OF THE US ARMED FORCES & MILITARY, INCLUDING:

Tyler Alexander, USMC; Sherri Spangler’s grandson
 Samantha Davis, USA; Gene & Diana Riley’s niece
 Zachary Davis, USN; Carolyn Cook’s grandson
 Grant Frick, SCNG; Linda Frick’s grandson
 Collin Maloney, USAOTS; Mike & Karla Maloney’s son
 Griffin McLeod, SCNG-deployed; Mandy McLeod’s son
 Brian Pipkin, SCNG; Louie & Imogene Conder’s SIL
 Hunter Purvis USA; Jerry & Cheryl Baxter’s SIL



SAVE-THE-DATE:

Community Shred Day – Friday, May 10th from 11 am til 1 pm

Fireflies Baseball – Wednesday, May 15th leaving church at 10:00 am

SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



If you are a guest, welcome! Please ask an usher for a blue Connections Card and drop it in the offering plate so that we can get to know you better. As you leave today, be sure to introduce yourself to the pastor. If you would like to learn about membership or have other questions, please call the church office. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

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and funds are deposited immediately. Personal information is secure, and you can change your giving profile at any time. Designations for memorial or special gifts are available on the drop down fund menu. An instant receipt is sent via email or text for your tax records, too.

Restrooms are located in both the Administrative and Christian Education Buildings.

Children are always welcome in our worship service, but for those who desire it, a nursery is located in the Administrative Building with the worship service available via audio.

Large Print and **Kids Celebrate** bulletins available from an usher

The People of Saint Michael, Ministers

The Reverend Frank W. Anderson, Pastor

Karen Shevenell, Cantor

Kris Esgar, Parish Administrator

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