## EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Sunday April 4, 2021

# THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION PRELUDE

#### THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

Pastor: AS WE GATHER ON THIS EASTER MORNING!
Alleluia! He is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Our Gospel for Easter describes the stone that was rolled in front of Jesus' tomb as being "very large." It was so large, in fact, that the women who came to this tomb early on Easter morning wondered, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb" (Mark 16:3b)?
They would soon discover that rolling away the stone would not be necessary—it was already rolled back! Jesus' resurrection is larger than that or any other stone. No stone can stop Jesus from rising. No stone can stop God's gifts of Word and Sacrament. No stone can stop our resurrection at our Savior's return! So, we can sing:

## **HYMN OF INVOCATION**

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461 vs 1-4

I Know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everliving head!

He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save;
He lives all glorious in the sky
He lives exalted there on high

He lives to bless me with His love He lives to plead for me above He lives my hungry soul to feed He lives to help in time of need

He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye; He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

#### **EASTER PROCLAMATION**

Pastor: He is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

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Men: He is risen indeed!

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Women: He is risen indeed!

Pastor: He is risen!

Lectern Side (left side when sitting): He is risen indeed!

Pastor: He is risen!

Pulpit Side (right side when sitting): He is risen indeed!

Pastor: He is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father, who created our bodies; in the name of the ♣ Son, who by His blood redeemed our bodies; in the name of the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism sanctified our bodies to be His temple; keep us to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.

People: Amen.

## **OPENING SENTENCES** Isaiah 25:8

Pastor: He will swallow up death forever;

People: and the Lord GoD will wipe away tears from all faces,

Pastor: and the reproach of His people He will take away

from all the earth,

People: for the LORD has spoken.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: Confession has two parts.

People: First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

Small Catechism, Confession

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

People: O Lord, our God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. Our thoughts, words, and actions have not reflected that You are of first importance in our lives. We have not kept

Your command to love You and love our neighbor. Merciful Lord, we humbly ask that for the sake of Your Son, our risen Savior, have mercy on us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: "The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation." (Exodus 15:2)

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins.

As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of 

the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

#### **INTROIT**

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: Exodus 15:1b

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

The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation; Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy. You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed; You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode. You will bring them in and plant them on Your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which You have made for Your abode, the sanctuary, O LORD, which Your hands have established. The LORD will

reign forever and ever. I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.

## **GLORIA PATRI** (sing)

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

## KYRIE (sing)

All: Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

"This Is the Feast" LSB 155 vs 1,2 &3

This is the feast of victory for our God Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God

Power, riches, wisdom and strength and honor, blessings, and glory are His

Sing with all the people of God, And join in the hymn of all creation

This is the feast of victory for our God Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

## **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, we rejoice today that the grave could not hold Your Son. Grant us forgiveness and life through Your Son's death and resurrection, so that we have joy not only on Easter, but every day; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 25:6–9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God.** 

CHOIR "Christ has Arisen, Alleluia"

#### **EPISTLE** 1 Corinthians 15:1–11

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not 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. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God.** 

## **GRADUAL** 2 Timothy 1:10

And which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel,

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gospel. Alleluia.

People: Alleluia!

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the

sixteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

**HOLY GOSPEL** Mark 16:1–8

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Alleluia! Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **NICENE CREED**

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven. And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

- And the third day, He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.
- And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
- And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### CREEDAL HYMN

"We All Believe in One True God" LSB 953

We all believe in one true God
Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Ever present help in need
Praised by all the heav'nly host
All He made His love enfolds
All creation He upholds

We all believe in Jesus Christ
Son of God and Mary's son
Who descended from His throne
And for us salvation won
By whose cross and death are we
Rescued from all misery

We all confess the Holy Ghost
Who from both in truth proceeds
Who sustains and comforts us
In all trials, fears, and needs
Blest and holy Trinity
Praise forever be to Thee

## + SERMON +

"LARGER THAN THE STONE"

Text: Mark 16:1–8 (The Gospel Reading)

**Sermon Theme:** Jesus' resurrection is larger than any stone, not only on the day of our resurrection, but also every day of our lives.

**Goal:** That the each and every one of us live now and forever larger than the stone.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy,

through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

## THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

**PREFACE** (spoken)

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. [Colossians 3:1]

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [Psalm 136]

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have revealed to us the all-important message of the Gospel centered on the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. On this day we praise You for displaying Your power over the grave in Jesus' rising to life, and we eagerly anticipate the rising of all Your saints from the grave at our Savior's return. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (Sing) LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory

Hosanna Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He

**Blessed** is He

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord Hosanna,

Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

#### **WORDS OF OUR LORD**

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9–13)

People: Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth

as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory

forever and ever. Amen.

## THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI (Sing) LSB 198**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

(Please Sit)

#### THE DISTRIBUTION

(See Communion policy on the front "Welcome" page of the bulletin)

#### Before approaching The Altar: (Kneel and say)

O Lord Jesus Christ Son Of The Living God, Who according to the will of The Father and through the operation of The Holy Spirit has given life to the world through Your death; by Your Most Sacred Body and Precious Blood deliver me from all my iniquities and from every evil, and make me ever cling to Your commandments, and permit me never to part from You.

Let not my reception of Your Body and Blood, which I, all unworthy, presume to eat and drink, be to my judgment and condemnation; but by Your mercy may it be to me for protection and health both of soul and body. Who lives and reigns with The Father and The Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

After Returning to The Pew: (kneel and say this or another prayer) O Lord Christ, I can never thank You enough for instituting this Most Blessed Sacrament of Your Most Holy Body and Blood. May it ever be for me salvation to life everlasting and strength for godly living. Who lives and reigns with The Father and The Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won" LSB 490

Jesus lives

The vict'ry's won

Death no longer can appall me

Jesus lives Death's reign is done

From the grave will Christ recall me

## Brighter scenes will then commence This shall by my confidence

Jesus lives
To Him the throne
High above all things is given
I shall go where He is gone
Live and reign with Him in heaven
God is faithful doubtings hence
This shall be my confidence

Jesus lives
For me He died
Hence will I to Jesus living
Pure in heart and act abide
Praise to Him and glory giving
All I need God will dispense
This shall be my confidence

Jesus lives
I know full well
Nothing me from Him shall sever
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell
Part me now from Christ forever
God will be my sure defense
This shall be my confidence

Jesus lives
And now is death
But the gate of life immortal
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal

## Faith shall cry as fails each sense Jesus in my confidence

## THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sing) LSB 199-200

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with-out end. Amen

## THE THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

People: (Sing) And His mercy endureth forever.

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that on this day of resurrection You give us the true body and blood of our living Savior, who is no longer in the tomb. Having been forgiven, strengthen us to share our living Savior with our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## **SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Let us go forth rejoicing, in the name of the Lord.

People: Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION**

People: Amen.

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461 vs 5-8

He lives to silence all my fears;

He lives to wipe away my tears;

He lives to calm my troubled heart;

He lives all blessings to impart.

He lives my kind wise heav'nly friend He lives and loves me to the end He lives and while He lives I'll sing He lives my Prophet Priest and King

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives my Jesus still the same
Oh the sweet joy this sentence gives
I know that my Redeemer lives

## THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor
Marie Brown, Organist
Frank Pignanelli, Elder
Laurie Pignanelli, Reader
Gary Mason, Glenn Cairns, & Kim Armstrong, Ushers
Jim Bumgarner, Trumpeter

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Easter Lilies

Please make sure to take them home with you.

Pam Benford (2)

Jim & Karen Bumgarner

**Phyllis Dasher** 

Pat Gebbink

Joan Hafkesbrink

Kathy King

Pastor & Ruth Pollatz (2)

Mark & Alyssa Gorka

Lori Wilson (2)

**Nancy Dajos** 

**Bev Kero** 

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## **Attendance**

Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am 46 Thurs. April 1<sup>st</sup> 12:00pm 12

7:00pm

Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:00pm

## **Prayer List**

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

## **Anniversary**

## **Birthdays**

Jillian Ladach - April 4<sup>th</sup> Kristen Skilliter – April 5<sup>th</sup> Patricia McNeil – April 6<sup>th</sup>

## For the Shut-Ins

Gladys Hill, at Beaumont Commons Ken Knick, at home Dorothy MacTavish, at home George Morton, at home

## For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

Nancy Rogers, Friend of Pam Benford, Hip surgery March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Phyllis Witte,** Thanksgiving for good test results.

**Crystal,** Joe Pollock's Daughter, Recuperating from surgery.

**Amanda Mardegian,** Friend of Pignanelli's, uncontrolled pain

- **Rose Lopez,** Frank Pignanelli's Aunt, Recuperating from surgery.
- **Pat Bates**, We pray for wisdom for the doctors in their treatment.
- **Bill Fults,** Preschool Jackie Fults' Husband, Tests for possible mini strokes.