

Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024, 8:00 a.m.

i - congregation stands. **h** - congregation sits. **k** - congregation kneels.
♫ - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold** print.

*Children are encouraged to stand, sit, and kneel with the congregation.
If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.*

Welcome visitors and guests. We are glad to have you worshiping with us today and would be happy to answer any questions you may have about our congregation. Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or call the church during the week.

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As we gather, please note that some people prefer to reconnect with their church family and friends in the narthex (lobby area) prior to the service, while others prefer to meditate and pray in the sanctuary in preparation for worship. The ushers will try to keep the glass doors closed so that the joyful noise of church-family conversation in the narthex and the holy silence of preparation for worship in the sanctuary can co-exist before the service begins. Suggested prayers to help you prepare for worship can be found on the inside front cover of the hymnal in the pews.

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Our services generally come out of the various settings in the Lutheran Service Book (the hymnal in the pews). We encourage people to have a hymnal for in-home use as well. Contact the office if you would like to order one.

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Most of our services include a corporate confession of sins and absolution (forgiveness) from God through the pastor. Occasionally we have Matins or other services which do not include this brief rite. We always offer individual confession and absolution by appointment and encourage our members to make use of this great gift of God.

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Holy Communion is celebrated at each of our regular weekend services and on other special days in the church year. In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to one of the pastors about exceptions to this general practice. Please also note that this practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply understand our communing together as also a public profession of unity in doctrine, which not everyone shares. Those who do not commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to indicate that you are not communing) or remain in the pew during communion and pray, particularly for visible unity in the Christian Church.

*Out of respect for God's House and your fellow worshipers,
please turn off or silence cell phones prior to this Worship Service. Thank you for your co-operation.*

Prelude "Fanfare on Easter Themes" - John Behnke

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "The Strife is O'er" - Lutheran Service Book #464
(Refrain is sung once at beginning and again at the end.)



Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia!



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; Now is the Vic - tor's
2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their le - gions
3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, He ris - es glo - rious
4 He broke the age - bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high
5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed You From death's sting free Your



tri - umph won; Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al-le-lu - ia!
has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al-le-lu - ia!
from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al-le-lu - ia!
por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise His tri - umph tell. Al-le-lu - ia!
ser - vants too That we may live and sing to You. Al-le-lu - ia!



Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia!

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

All praise to God the Father -
who raised His Son in victory.

All praise to Jesus, God's Son, risen from the dead -
our living and reigning King.

All praise to God the Holy Spirit -
who has worked in us a living hope in the resurrection.

PROCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

This is the Gospel on which you have taken your stand. This is the Gospel by which you are saved.

**As the resurrected One, Christ Jesus is my living hope.
Now He reigns as King
and will come again to judge us all on the basis of faith in Him alone.
This is the saving faith that lives in me.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the Feast"

verse 1 - women; verse 2 - men; verse 3 & 4 - women (double verse; no refrain between); verse 5 - men

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Women
Men

**1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and**

Women

**3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to**

Men

5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

**blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain***

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Children's Message: Alex Wright - *Director of Christian Education*

+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +

Old Testament

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."

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSION **“O Sons and Daughters of the King”**
- Lutheran Service Book #471, stanzas 1, 2, 3

(The following hymn verses are sung as all turn to follow the procession as it moves to the center of the sanctuary. “Alleluia” refrain is sung only at beginning and the end.)


Refrain




Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King,
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day,
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see,



Whom heav'n - ly hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the
 The faith - ful wom - en went their way To seek the
 Who sits and speaks un - to the three, “Your Lord will



grave has lost its sting! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tomb where Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ia!
 go to Gal - i - lee.” Al - le - lu - ia!

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.
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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You, O Christ.

(The procession returns to the front of the sanctuary.)

HYMN: **“I Know That My Redeemer Lives” - LSB #461**
 arr. Paul Bunjes

ALL: 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.

ALL: 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.

Choir: 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.

ALL: 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.

Women: He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
(high voices) He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

Men: 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.

ALL: 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!"

THE MESSAGE: Pastor Joshua Errer

Gathering of the Offering

Adult Choir: "Worthy is the Lamb" from *Messiah* - George Frideric Handel

Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the offertory we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.

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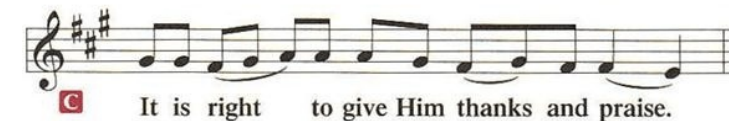
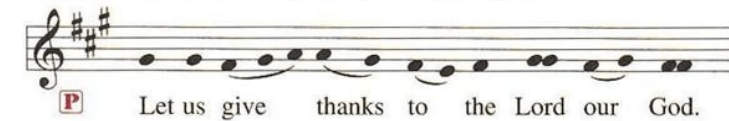
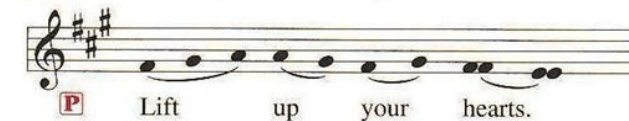
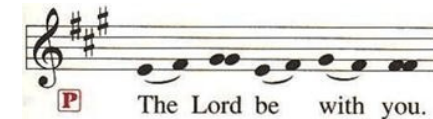


PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT +

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PREFACE



PROPER PREFACE

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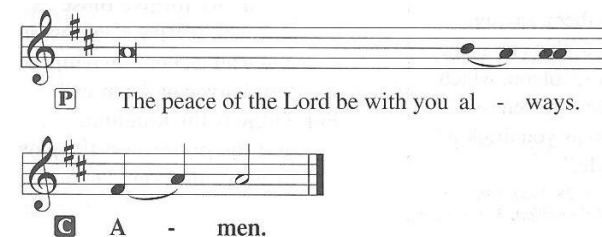
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.
C A - men.

AGNUS DEI



C 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.

Visitors, please see the inside front cover of the bulletin for an explanation of our communion practice. Also, non-alcoholic wine is available in the individual cups. It is the clear wine in the cups at the center of the tray. Note: If you prefer to receive from the chalice, simply do not take one of the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"I Am the Bread of Life"



1. I am the Bread of life. You who
 2. The bread that I will give is my
 3. Un-less you eat of the
 4. I am the Res-ur-rec-tion,
 5. Yes, Lord, I be-lieve that



1. come to me shall not hun-ger; and who be-
 2. flesh for the life of the world, and if you
 3. flesh of the Son of Man and
 4. I am the life. If you be-
 5. you are the Christ, the



1. lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2. eat of this bread, you shall live for
 3. drink of his blood, and drink of his
 4. lieve in me, e-ven though you
 5. Son of God, Who has



1. me un-less the Fa-ther beck-ons.
 2. ev-er, you shall live for ev-er.
 3. blood, you shall not have life with-in you.
 4. die, you shall live for ev-er.
 5. come in-to the world.



And I will raise you up, and I will raise you



up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

"That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright"



1. That Eas-ter day with joy was bright; The sun shone
 2. O Je-sus, king of gen-tle-ness, With con-stant
 3. O Christ, you are the Lord of all In this our
 4. All praise, O ris-en Lord, we give To You, once



out with fair-er light, When to their long-ing eyes re-
 love our hearts pos-sess; To You our lips will ev-er
 Eas-ter fes-ti-val, For You will be our strength and
 dead but now a-live! To God the Fa-ther e-qual



stored, The'a-pos-tles saw their ris-en Lord!
 raise The trib-ute of our grate-ful praise.
 shield From ev-'ry weap-on death can wield.
 praise, And God the Ho-ly Ghost we raise!

"The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns" - LSB #532

"Sing With All the Saints in Glory" - LSB #671

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain" - LSB #487

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION
 Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" - LSB #457



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which He en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro-cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky He's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise Him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Postlude

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