Easter Day Servíce



Jesus' Resurrection is Our Resurrection

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WELCOME TO MESSIAH!

We are glad you are here to receive what God is doing for you during Divine Service. Please fill out a guest card or sign our guest book located near the front door. Feel free to converse quietly until the organ prelude begins. If you are looking for a church home, please talk to the Pastor at the door. We would love to have you join us.

Preparing for Service

The Risen Christ Has Swallowed Up Death Forever!

The entire fallen world is veiled in a funeral shroud "that is spread over all nations" and "cast over all peoples" (Is. 25:7). But the Lord of hosts, in the Person of the incarnate Son, Jesus Christ, has removed that terrible pall and swallowed up death forever. By submitting Himself to death, He burst it apart from the inside out. Now He wipes away all tears from our faces, and He invites us to "be glad and rejoice in his salvation" (Is. 25:9). His body and His blood, crucified and risen, are given and poured out for us as a feast "of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined" (Is. 25:6). We enter that feast through Holy Baptism, whereby our old man is buried with Jesus Christ, and we are raised up in Him, "dressed in a white robe" of His perfect righteousness (Mark 16:5). What St. Paul and the other apostles received "by the grace of God" is also "delivered to you" by the preaching of Christ, "in which you stand, and by which you are being saved" (1 Cor. 15:1–11).

Confession and Absolution



- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- 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 Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

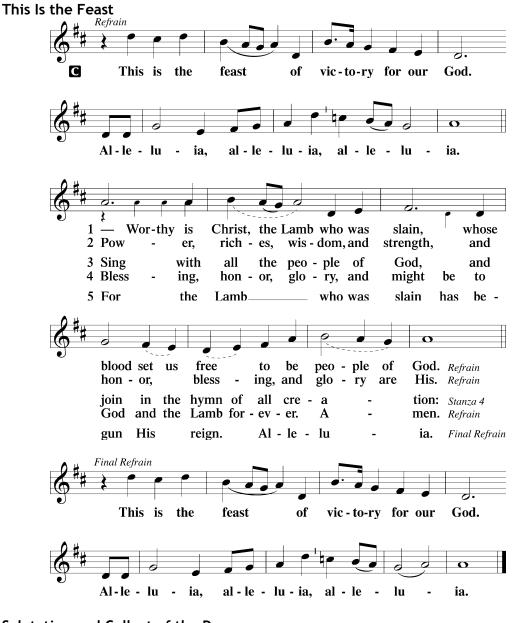
Introit

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 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.
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.
I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;

the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

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.



Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6–9

6On 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.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain

the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He 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.

⁹It 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."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 16; antiphon: v. 10

¹Preserve me, O God,

for in you I take refuge.

²I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

³As for the saints in the land,

they are the excellent ones,

in whom is all my delight.

⁴The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;

their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;

you hold my lot.

⁶The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸I have set the LORD always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

my flesh also dwells secure.

¹⁰For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

or let your holy one see corruption.

¹¹You make known to me the path of life;

in your presence there is fullness of joy;

at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Epistle

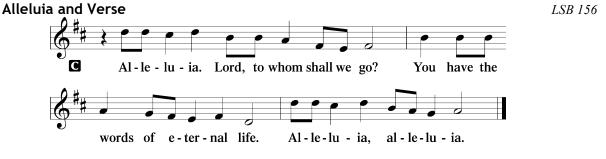
1 Corinthians 15:1–11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, 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 at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. 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, unworthy 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 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶And 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. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸And 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.

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

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1 Je -Al sus Christ is ris'n to-day, le - lu ia! 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al le - lu ia! the pains which He endured, 3 But Al le - lu ia! $\triangle 4$ 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; Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al le - lu ia! Al le - lu ia! Who did Al le - lu the cross, ia! once up on Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al le - lu ia! a - bove the le - lu Now sky He's king, Al ia! Praise Him, all ye ia! Al le - lu heav'n-ly host, Suf - fer Al ia! re deem our loss. le - lu to -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! _ Jesus' Resurrection is Our Resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:1-11) Sermon

Nicene Creed

457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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 only-begotten 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 will 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 worshiped 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 \pm of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs:

That the Church would live out its calling and that the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ be joyfully celebrated in all places, let us pray to the Lord:

- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P That the abiding blessing of God rest upon our families, our neighborhoods, our places of business, and our schools, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P That those whose confession of the true faith leads to bodily peril or other sufferings know relief and deliverance from every danger, let us pray of the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P That all whose labor adds meaning and beauty to the life of the Church the musicians, artists, craft workers, flower arrangers, and others—find joy and blessing in all that they do to the glory of God, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

That all those whose lives know specific challenges, including those who are P ill and those who mourn, know heavenly benediction and strength for each day, let us pray to the Lord:



C Lord, have mercy.

P That the memory of the faithful departed be held in reverence and honor by all of us as we await a time of resurrection and reunion at the close of the age, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- **P** These things and all else that we should have asked on this day of holy rejoicing, grant to us, Lord, for the sake of our risen Savior Jesus Christ.
- **G** Amen.



Service of the Sacrament



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It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

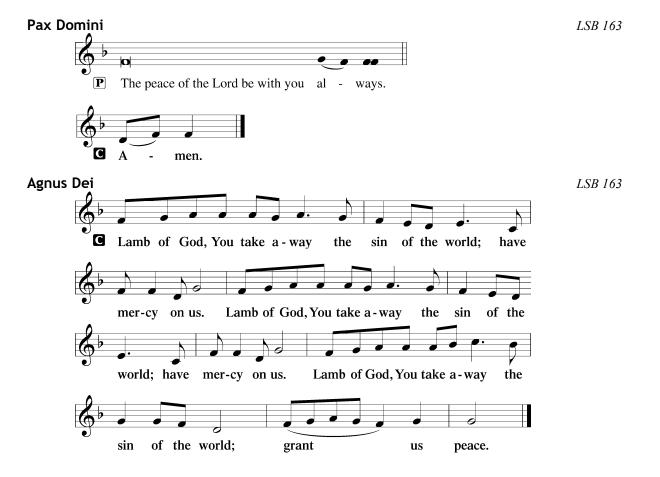
As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.



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

 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.



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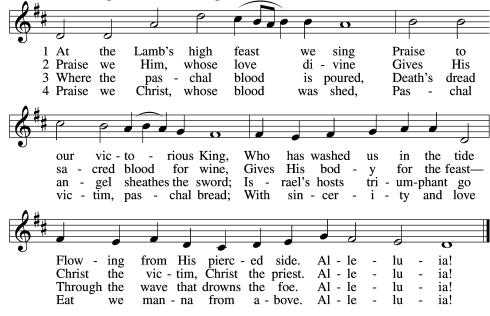
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8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



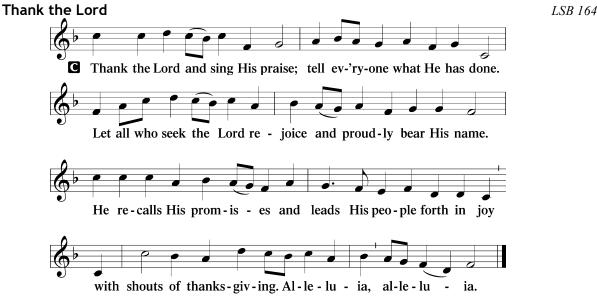
5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

- Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!
- ▲ 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

Dismissal

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.



Post-Communion Collect and Benediction

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom; which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our \blacksquare Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

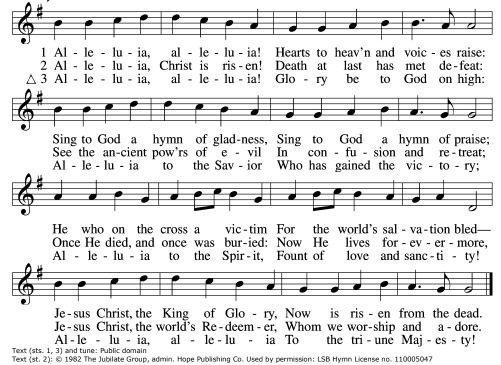
P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

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"Life Quotes"

April 4 "As we gather this Easter just with our household, or perhaps all alone, we will undoubtedly miss some of the traditions that we have embraced over the years. Do not lament the loss of what does not last. Rather, embrace the

enduring message that 'He is risen! He is risen indeed!' It changes everything!" Rev. Robert Fleischmann, Christian Life Resources – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.ora

This week on KFUO.org, we celebrate our Risen Savior! Hear the end of Mark and begin 1 Peter 1 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), continue in 1 Thessalonians on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and hear practical conversations on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT). Find podcasts, including the new "Friends for Life" podcast from LCMS Life Ministry, on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!



Philippians 4:19

Gífts of Tíme and Treasure

"A tithe from of everything from the land...belongs to the Lord, it is holy to the Lord."

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Lent 3/24	\$ 584.00		12
General Fund	\$ 2,285.49	Service	44
Needed Weekly	\$ 4,669.00	Communed	39
Adult Bible Study	\$ 14.00		
Children's SS/Mission	\$ 10.00		

The Lord's Week

Today (Apr. 4th)	7:00 am – Sunrise Service 8:45 am – Bible Studies for all ages 10:00 am – Easter Sunday Service – Egg Hunt following the Service	
Wednesday	y 10:00 am – Women's Bible Study	
Next Sunda (Apr. 11™)	y 8:45 am – Bible Studies for all ages 10:00 am – Divine Service	
	In Hís Servíce	
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