

The Resurrection of Our Lord

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN: “Jesus Christ is Risen Today” (Lutheran Service Book, #457)

Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heav’nly king, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!

Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!

Now above the sky He’s king, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!

Praise Him, all ye heav’nly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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INVOCATION:

Vicar: In the name of God the Father,

People: Who on this day raised our Lord Jesus from the dead. Alleluia!

Vicar: In the name of God the Son,

People: Who lives again as our victorious Redeemer and King. Alleluia!

Vicar: In the name of God the Holy Spirit,

People: Who daily renews our lives by faith in Christ and will at the Last Day raise us from the dead to live with Jesus forever. Alleluia!

EASTER GREETING:

Vicar: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN: “I Know that My Redeemer Lives” (LSB, #461 verses 1-2, 7-8)

I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living 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 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!

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Vicar: Beloved in the Lord, Christ Jesus is risen from the dead; our Savior has conquered the grave.

People: Our debts are cancelled! Our crimes are pardoned!

Vicar: Let the heavens be glad; let the earth rejoice!

People: Christ has triumphed! He has reclaimed Paradise for us!

Vicar: In this glad certainty, let us confess our sins to God and receive with joy His holy absolution:

People: Almighty God, we confess to You and each other that we have fallen far short of perfection. We have broken Your laws and have failed to love You and the neighbors You have given us. Forgive us! Roll away the stones that close our hearts to faith and joy. By Your Spirit, renew us to walk in Your ways now and forevermore. Amen.

Vicar: Rejoice, dear friends! The Lord Jesus, Who was raised from the dead, lives for you! And because He lives, you too will live! Death and hell can claim you no more. In Christ heaven is your eternal home. You are forgiven for Jesus' sake, and by His power to bring life from death nothing can keep you out of Paradise.

People: Amen! Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Lord Jesus, on this day of days we celebrate Your victory. On the cross You died to rescue us from sin and hell. In the tomb You passed through death to life again. Live in us, we pray, and fill us with Your Spirit that our joy may be complete, our stewardship faithful, our service global, and our worship eternal; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Job 19:23-27*

“Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last He will stand upon the earth.
And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
Whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

RESPONSORY: 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 with Alleluias

Lector: Alleluia. Alleluia. Listen, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

People: For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. Alleluia.

EPISTLE READING: *Colossians 3:1–4*

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ Who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

RESPONSORY: 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 with Alleluias

Lector: Alleluia. Alleluia. O death, where is your victory? O grave, where is your sting?

People: The sting of death sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia.

Lector: Please rise, as you are able.

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter:

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28:1–10

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus Who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."

Lector: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

Lector: We confess together our Christian faith, using the Apostles' Creed.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: The 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 at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will 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!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE and the FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

HYMN: "Thine Is the Glory" (Ambassador Hymnal, #98)

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife,
make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Ambassador Hymnal. Translator: Richard Birch Hoyle; Author: Edmond Budry (1904) Tune: JUDAS MACCABEUS

SERMON: "Easter: Assurance, Invitation, and Commission" (*Matthew 28:5-7*)

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Hallelujah Chorus"

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE 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.

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

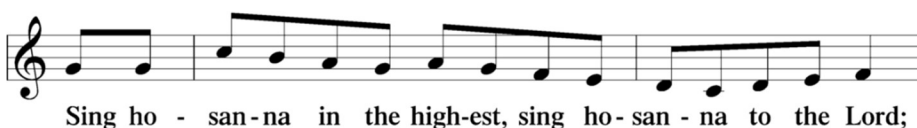
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: 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 singing:

SANCTUS





WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His 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 covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sin. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI ~ The Peace of the Lord

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI



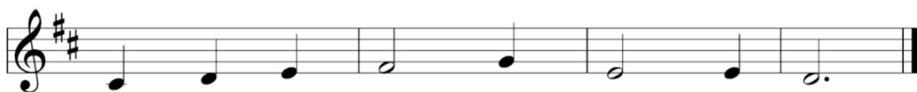
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION

The Lord's Supper will be distributed at the altar rail. Please follow the ushers' directions.

DISTRIBUTION SONG: "King of Kings"

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
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Praise forever to the King of kings

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DISTRIBUTION SONG: "Behold the Lamb"

See Him there, the great I Am,
A crown of thorns upon His head.
The Father's heart displayed for us.
O God, we thank You for the cross.

Lifted up on Calv'ry's hill,
We cursed Your name and even still
You bore our shame and paid the cost.
O God, we thank You for the cross.

Behold the Lamb, the story of redemption
Written on His hands.
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!
The victory is Yours!
We sing Your praise,
Endless hallelujahs to Your holy name.
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!
The victory is Yours!

Offer up this sacrifice.
For ev'ry sin our Savior died.
The Lord of Life can't be contained.
Our God has risen from the grave.

Behold the Lamb, the story of redemption
Written on His hands.
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!
The victory is Yours!
We sing Your praise,
Endless hallelujahs to Your holy name.
Jesus, You will reign forevermore!
The victory is Yours!

When the age of death is done,
We'll see Your face bright as the sun.
We'll bow before the King of kings.
O God forever we will sing.
O God forever we will sing

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” (LSB, #633)

At the Lamb’s high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from His pierced side.
Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine
Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast—
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured,
Death’s dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel’s hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!

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!

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!

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!

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia” (LSB, #463)

Christ the Lord is ris’n today; Alleluia!
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At
the paschal victim’s feet. Alleluia!

For the sheep the Lamb has bled,
Alleluia!

Sinless in the sinner’s stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia!
Met in strange and awesome strife.
Alleluia!

Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!
All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

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COMMON DISMISSAL:

Vicar: Now may this true body and blood our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in faith unto life everlasting.

People: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Vicar: Let us pray:

People: In regal grace, Lord Jesus, You share with us a victory that is rightly Yours alone. You battled sin and death while we cowered before them; You crushed Satan while we yielded to his life-destroying temptations; You overcame the grave while we remained paralyzed within it. Your power and courage astound us, and Your generosity overwhelms us. By Your body and blood enliven us for bold discipleship on earth and eternal celebration in heaven, where You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

EASTER GREETING:

Vicar: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

BENEDICTION: *(Hebrews 13:20-21)*

Vicar: May the God of peace, Who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will,

People: and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” (LSB, #465)

Now all the vault of heav’n resounds
In praise of love that still abounds:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
“Christ has triumphed! Christ has
triumphed!”
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal is the gift He brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife.
Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph;
Grant grace sufficient for life’s day
That by our lives we truly say:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heav’nly blessed sing:
“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Go in peace and serve the Lord!

In Christian Service:

All disciples of the Lord Jesus
with

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Proclaimer: Rev. Walt Pohland

Musicians: Adam Perez and Faith Lutheran Church Choir
Organist: Adam Perez

6:30 Lay Reader: Janine Alford
8:15 Lay Reader: Sonja Guyer
11:00 Lay Reader: Karl Mattlage

Children’s Message: DCE Austin Angerman