

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

April 20, 2025

*“Christ Is Risen! He is **Now** Here!”*

AS WE GATHER

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! This ancient greeting sounds among us again today, for today the Church celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Christ has defeated sin, death, and the devil and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Today, we welcome you to come and be a part of God’s people who gather to remember and to rejoice in what Christ has done. Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

In the early church, the celebration of the Lord’s Supper was viewed as a continuation of the Resurrection appearances of the Risen Savior. It was viewed much the same as Jesus saying to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see My hands. Stop doubting and believe.” (John 20:27) As Jesus promised, we believe that He is really present in this Sacrament with His very body and His very blood for our forgiveness. We also believe that oneness in doctrine is Biblically affirmed for those who receive the Sacrament together. We therefore ask quests desiring to commune to kindly speak with the pastor before the service.

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

THE OPENING RESPONSES

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: This is the day the Lord has made;

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good;

C: His mercy endures forever. (Psalm 118:24, 29)

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!



THE CHOIR *“My Redeemer Liveth”*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN #466 "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

(Verses 1-3, Choir only; Verses 4-5, Congregation & Choir)



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go;
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest His might did show.
On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain



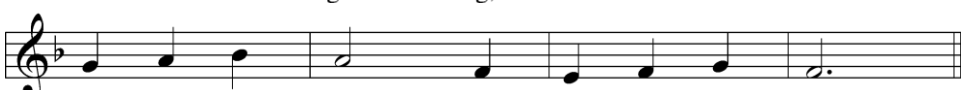
Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Jesus was delivered over to death for our sins.

C: He was raised to life for our justification. (*Romans 4:25*)

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*1 John 1:8-9*)

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Merciful Father, we confess to You that we are nothing apart from You. Your Word describes us as spiritually blind, deaf, and dead by our very nature without Your saving grace. In our thoughts, words, and actions, we have acted as if we do not need You. But we are wrong—dead wrong! Forgive us, Father, for our many sins against You and against one another. By the mercy You show us in the sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection of Jesus Christ, remind us again of the new life and salvation You have freely given. Cleanse and renew us by Your grace that we may rise to newness of life with our risen Lord and Savior. Amen.

P: 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.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

(please be seated)

THE INTROIT OF THE DAY (*Exodus 15:6, 13, 17b-18; Antiphon: Matthew 28:6a, 7b*)

P: Alleluia. [Christ] has risen, as He said.

C: He has risen from the dead. Alleluia.

P: The Lord is my strength and my song,

C: and He has become my salvation;

P: Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power,

C: Your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy.

P: You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed;

C: You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode,

P: The sanctuary, O Lord, which Your hands have established.

C: 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.**

P: Alleluia. [Christ] has risen, as He said.

C: He has risen from the dead. Alleluia.

C: Thanks be to God!

(please stand)

THE ALLELUIA VERSE *“He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!”* (LSB #488, altered)

**Al-le-lu-ia! O glo-rious Word! Now rec-on-ciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav’n are o-pen.**

**My Je-sus did tri-um-phant die, And Sa-tan’s ar-rows bro-ken lie,
De-stroyed hell’s fierc-est weap-on.**

**Al-le-lu-ia! Christ Vic-to-rious, Ris-ing glo-rious,
Life is giv-ing. He was dead but now is liv-ing.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:1-12 (ESV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” And they remembered His words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Johanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED

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 of the world to come. Amen.

(please be seated)

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE HYMN OF THE DAY #457 *"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"*



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 ye 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!

THE SERMON *"Christ Is Risen! He is **Now** Here!"* Text: Luke 24:1-12

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS #548 *"Thanks To Thee, O Christ"*

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| <p>1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, victorious!
Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life!
Death hath now no power o'er us,
Thou hast conquered in the strife.
Thanks because Thou didst arise
And hast opened paradise!
None can fully sing the glory
Of the resurrection story.</p> | <p>3 For the joy Thine advent gave me,
For Thy holy, precious Word;
For Thy Baptism, which doth save me,
For Thy blest Communion board;
For Thy death, the bitter scorn,
For Thy resurrection morn,
Lord, I thank Thee and extol Thee,
And in heav'n I shall behold Thee.</p> |
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(please stand)

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P:** Let us pray for the whole people of God who live in the perpetual joy of Christ's resurrection and for all people, that they might come to share in those eternal joys. . . . Lord of life and death, at Your chosen time You sent Your only Son, Jesus Christ, to carry our sin to the tree of the cross, and then on the third day You raised Him from the dead. For this we give You thanks and praise saying, This is the day the Lord has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- P:** Blessed Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit and with power so that we may boldly witness to Christ's resurrection. We pray for ourselves and also for our missionaries and Mission Development Counselors, including Gary Thies and Pastor Steve Schulz. Grant that all who hear the message of our Savior's empty tomb may turn from sin, trust in Christ, receive the forgiveness of sins, and join in saying, This is the day the Lord has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- P:** Ruler of all, bless the nations with justice and peace. In every government curb the evil of corruption and self-interest, and give leaders who will speak truth and govern wisely. Bless Your church and its ministry to bring hope and life, especially in places of conflict and disaster. Help us all to set our minds on things above that when Jesus comes again in glory, everyone may say, This is the day the Lord has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- P:** Heavenly Father, rescue those who are captive to prejudice, drugs, or violence. Renew and restore those who are victims of crime, and lead those who serve time in prison to a new and right way of life. Protect all who police our neighborhoods and cities. Give new opportunities to those who seek work and those who long for relief from bad times. Send rain and seasonable weather to bless the time of fieldwork and planting. For Your great mercy and Your protection we once again say, This is the day the Lord has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- P:** Lord of Life, in Christ You showed how You are able to bring hope and life where there is only despair and death. Heal and strengthen those who are ill and recovering, including . . . and all those we remember before You silently in our hearts (*silent prayer*). Comfort those who weep for loved ones now fallen asleep. Remembering that in our Lord's resurrection we too have new life, help us each day to say, This is the day the Lord has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: God of all grace, bless the faithful who approach Your altar on this joyous day. As they partake of Your Son's body and blood, bestow on them the fullness of His resurrected life, that they may always give thanks, saying, This is the day the Lord has made;

C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P: Rejoicing in Christ's resurrection light with all Your Church, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE PREFACE *(responses are sung) (page 160 in the front of the hymnal)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

P: 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 Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *(1 Corinthians 11:26)*

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. *(Revelation 22:20)*

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.**

THE PEACE

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



(please be seated)

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *(please remain seated for the final verses of all hymns)*

#633 "At the Lamb's High Feast"



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um-phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

**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!**

**6 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!**

#461 *"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"*



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 5** 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.
- 6** 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.
- 7** 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.
- 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!

#474 "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter Tell - ing the
3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the
4 Weep - ing, be gone; Sor - row, be si - lent: Death put a -
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, Gold - en Je -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -
sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; Break - ing our bread, Giv - ing us
Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the
sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing: "O grave, be
ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, Riv - er of life, Saints and arch -



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
an - gels, Sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Refrain
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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#469 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" Saints on earth and an - gels say;
2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Fought the fight, the bat - tle won;
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply.
Lo! Our Sun's e-clipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Death in vain for-bids His rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led;
Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

(please stand)

THE DISMISSAL

P: 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.

THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE *(pages 164-165 in the hymnal)*



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled to serve You constantly; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance on you and ✱ give you peace.

Musical notation for Amen.

(please be seated)

THE CLOSING HYMN #475 “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

Musical notation and lyrics for the closing hymn.

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER LILIES 2025
~ To the Glory of Our Lord ~



- ✝ Richard and Becky Hanlin in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Craig and K'Lynn Harm in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Nancy Bielenberg in memory of Herbert & Arlene Teut
- ✝ Josh and Ashley Beeck in memory of friends and family
- ✝ Carolyn Schroeder and family in memory of Wayne Schroeder
- ✝ Pete and Elaine Teut in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Bruce and Cathy Namanny in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Terry and Nancy Kline in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Terry and Nancy Kline (great grandma and great grandpa Kline) in memory of Lainey Ray Naberhaus
- ✝ Craig and Val Teut in memory of Taylor Marie Teut & Virgene Fredericks
- ✝ Donna Harm and family in memory of Roger Harm
- ✝ Joann Riessen in memory of Erwin & Elfie Riessen
- ✝ Leroy Hight and girls in memory of Marlene Hight & loved ones
- ✝ JoAnn Clausen and family in memory of Larry Clausen & Colton Clausen
- ✝ JoAnn Clausen and family in memory of Theodore & Leona Aldag and Andrew & Bernice Clausen
- ✝ Derick and Amanda Bruhn in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Friends in memory of Cole Schneider and Jason Wiebers
- ✝ Cathy Bubke and family in memory of Tom Bubke
- ✝ Loren and Janice Jepsen in loving memory of Leslie & Eileen Grell
- ✝ Loren and Janice Jepsen in loving memory of Ruth Jackson
- ✝ Tim and Lila Bubke in memory of Russ Quandt, family & friends
- ✝ Kent, Nan and Lukas Bornhoft in memory of parents & grandparents
- ✝ Diana Schultz, Todd, Kris, Spencer, Payton, Stacy, Dave, Aidan and Chase in memory of Marlowe Schultz
- ✝ Loretta Reimers and son Darcy in memory of Clifford H. Reimers
- ✝ Daryl and Barb Pedersen in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Eric and Renae Schneider in memory of Cole Schneider
- ✝ Ryan and Kayla Morgan in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Wayne and Joyce Miller in memory of Kenny Miller, Herbert & Amanda Miller, Lenhardt & Anna Teut
- ✝ Richard Fredericks in memory of Virgene Fredericks & Taylor Marie Teut
- ✝ Mike and Tracy Beeck in memory of Marlene Hight and Larry & Jolene Beeck
- ✝ Marie Peters and family in memory of Richard Peters
- ✝ Joel and Sandy Bubke in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Lowell and Julie Teut in memory of grandchildren Taylor Marie Teut & Tyler Banks
- ✝ Lowell and Julie Teut in memory of parents Lenhardt & Anna Teut and Fred & Viola Jess
- ✝ Lodean and Sandra Voss in memory of Louis & Alice Aldag and Erwin & Marvella Voss
- ✝ Roger and Karin Schneider in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Andrew and Kristin Palmersheim in memory of loved ones
- ✝ Harry and Kay Riessen in memory of parents and loved ones

*Thank you for placing lilies to the Glory of God.
You may take them home after the 9:30 worship service this morning.*