



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

APRIL 20, 2025

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP
Silent Meditation, Personal Confession
WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“King Jesus Is Arisen!”

Choir

Words by Nancy Price and Don Besig; Music by Don Besig

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen Indeed!

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Christ is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!

CHOIR

“Crown Him Lord of All”

Choral Setting by Marty Parks
Val Ross, violin

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

This is the Passover of our God! Jesus is alive; not even death could hold him. We who were buried with Christ by baptism into death, shall also be raised from the dead by the glory of the Father.

Amen.

Let us take a moment to reflect on our human brokenness and our deep need for forgiveness and mercy.

(Silence for self-reflection and examination)

Gracious God.....

maker of heaven and earth. We come before you confessing our sins, asking for your gracious mercy. By our human nature we are sinful and unclean; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. By your loving kindness, grant us forgiveness and restore us to your salvation, that we might live holy lives here and now, and be with you in eternity. Amen.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, God declares to all who believe and confess their sins, that we are forgiven and restored to a right relationship through Jesus Christ. We have been redeemed and renewed by Christ, our Passover Lamb. Let us walk in newness of life, following our Lord Jesus in holy obedience. **Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us; the love of the Father who put an end to the power of death; and the communion of the Holy Spirit who gathers us together, be with you all. **And also with you.**

Good News! Christ is Risen! Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

He gives us new life and hope through his resurrection! Alleluia!

God has claimed us as his own.

God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

*Jesus Christ is Risen 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 you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

EASTER PRAYER

Let us pray...

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷“See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. ¹⁹I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more. ²⁰“Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; the one who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere child; the one who fails to reach^[a] a hundred will be considered accursed. ²¹They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They will not labor in vain, nor will they bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the Lord, they and their descendants with them. ²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent’s food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,” says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.....**Thanks Be To God**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²²For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The Word of the Lord.....**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Thine Is the Glory”

*Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!*

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, chapter 24.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 24:1-12

¹On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ ” ⁸Then they remembered his words. ⁹When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹²Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE SERMON

Pr. Andrew Young

“Do You Believe in Miracles?”

HYMN OF THE DAY

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives!”

*I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort this sweet sentence gives
He lives He lives who once was dead; He lives my everlasting head*

*He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives exalted, throned above; He lives to rule His church in love*

*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, all glory to His name! He lives my Saviour still the same;
What joy this blest assurance gives; I know that my Redeemer lives*

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your Mercy
Hear Our Prayer

PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

“The Day of Resurrection!” v. 3

*Now let the heav'ns be joyful, let earth its song begin,
The round world keep high triumph and all that is there-in.
Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end!*

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again.**

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.

COMMUNION

All who believe in the words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come to the Lord's table. Grape juice is in the outer ring of the trays; all bread is gluten free.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, you have fed us at this holy meal with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. We praise you for the glorious resurrection of Christ which is a sign of your great love for your people. You have forgiven us through this sacrament and restored us to new and everlasting life. Amen.

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

P: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. You have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. Go with the blessing of the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

CLOSING

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

*Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake my soul and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity*

*Crown Him the Lord of love behold His hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified
No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight
But downward bend their burning eye at mysteries so bright*

*Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.*

*Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.*

P. Go in peace. Christ is Risen!

C. He is Risen, indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall between services for a coffee bar with lattes from our Youth Group.

This is a fundraiser for their mission trip so please join us for a special drink and a treat.

EASTER FLOWERS

Bruce & Virginia Sorensen

*In Honor of American
Servicemen & Women*

Becky Murray

In Memory of Drew Murray, Son

Diane Oddy

In Memory of Larry Oddy, Husband

Ken & Cathi Scheurn

*In Loving Memory of
Dave, Ken & Ann
Our Fathers & Mother*

John & Wynne Gillis

In Honor of the Risen Christ

Kris Bell

In Memory of Doug Canode, Father

Vernus & Carol Albertson

In Honor of the Risen Christ

Shannon Martin

In Honor of Our Loves Ones

Zach Rogers-Sherman

In Memory of Cindy Sherman, Mother

Rollie & Kristy Rieger

*In Memory of
Robert & Bety Rieger
Otto & Echoe Bechtold
Parents*

Jerry & Karlene Swenson

In Honor of the Risen Christ

Andrew & Amy Young

In Honor of the Risen Christ

Bob & Dianne Coughlin

In Honor of the Risen Christ

