



St. John's Lutheran Church

A congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 20, 2025

9 a.m. Worship



Regarding Holy Communion, the scriptures teach that in this sacramental meal, our Lord gives His own true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. In the forgiveness of our sins we become partakers of the new covenant in His blood. For this reason, scripture also teaches that anyone who receives the sacrament ought to examine himself (see 1 Cor. 11:17-29). To that end, we encourage all who receive the sacrament regularly to make use of the literature provided for this purpose and to regularly visit with the pastor personally.

For guests and visitors: If you are a member of a Missouri Synod church or a church which shares fellowship with the Missouri Synod, you are welcome to commune with us. If not, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing while the sacrament is being given out (Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms in front of you). If you would like a pastoral exception, please arrange for a meeting with the pastor.

Preparation for Worship and Welcome

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

P God has claimed us as His own.

C **He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

“Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed”

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Ed Cash

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How can it be? The One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice,
to conquer every sting of death; Sing, sing hallelujah!

For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ's disciples lift their eyes;
Alive He stands, their Friend and King; Christ, Christ, He is risen.

Chorus: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!
Oh, sing hallelujah.
Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed.
Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Where doubt and darkness once had been,
they saw Him and their hearts believed;
but blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing hallelujah.

Once bound by fear, now bold in faith,
they preached the truth and power of grace;
and pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting. (*Chorus*)
The power that raised Him from the grave
now works in us to powerfully save;
He frees our hearts to live His grace; Go tell of His goodness. (*Chorus 2x*)

He's alive, He's alive!
Heaven's gates are opened wide!
He's alive, He's alive!
Now in heaven glorified! (*repeat*)

Invocation and Exhortation

P In the name of the Father and of the T 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.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Confession and Absolution

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

C **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.**

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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit

Ex. 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: Ex. 15:1b

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.

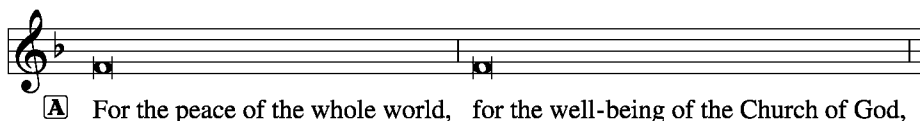
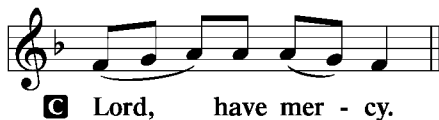
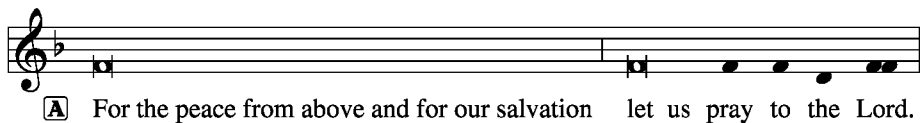
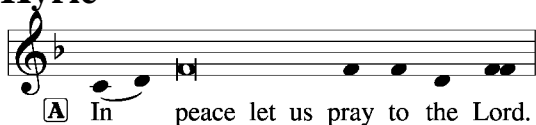
**You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have
redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.**

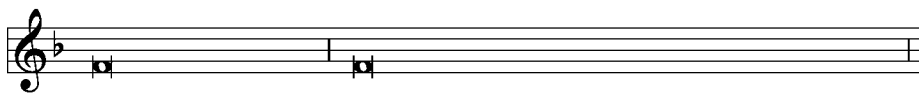
You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,
the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,
the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

The LORD will reign forever and ever.

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

Kyrie





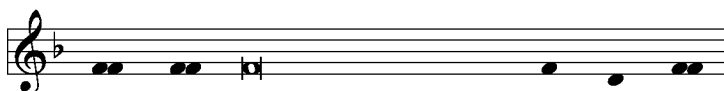
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



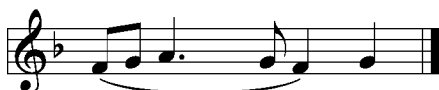
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

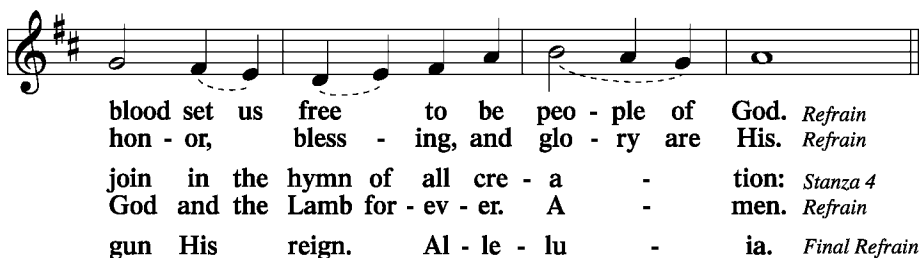
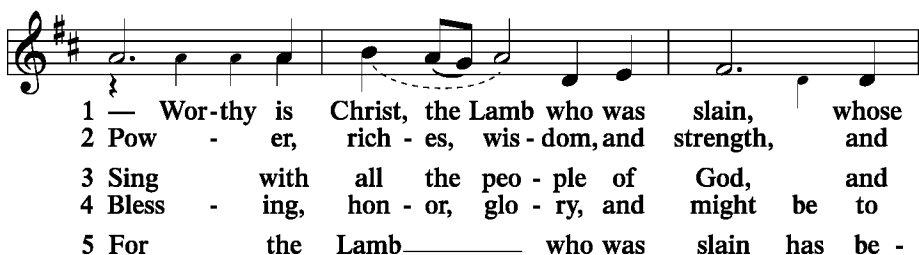


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

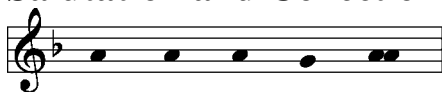


C A - men.

This Is the Feast



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

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.



C A - men.

Chancel Choir

“Crown Him Lord of All”

Choral Setting by Mary McDonald

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

“Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,” says the Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Common Alleluia and Verse

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they 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 Joanna 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.

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 T of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Pastor Parsons

Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

LSB 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!

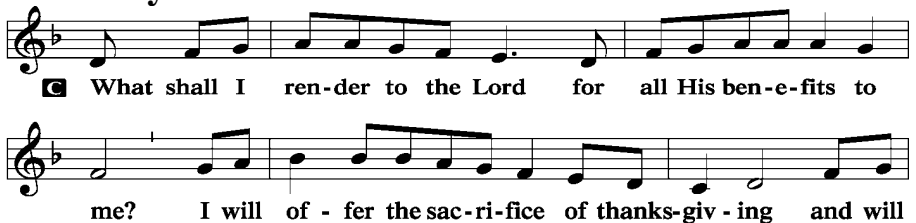
Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
 Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
 Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
 Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

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!

Sermon

Offertory



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
 me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will

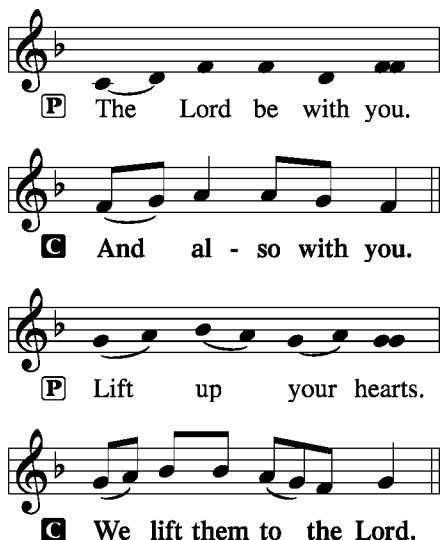


call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

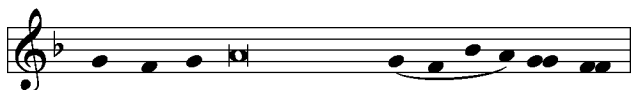
Offering

Prayer of the Church

Preface



P The Lord be with you.
C And al - so 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. 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:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

The Lord's Prayer

C 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.

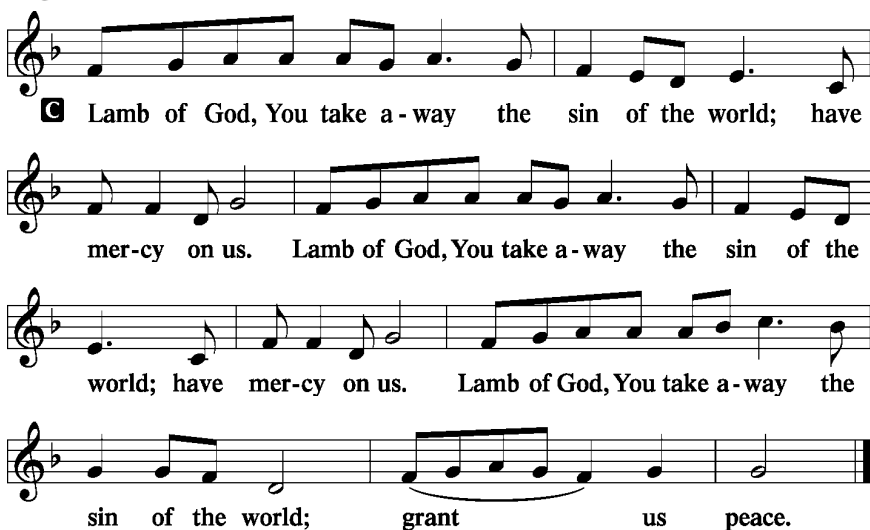
The Words of Institution

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei



Distribution Hymns & Songs

“I Will Rise”

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There’s a peace I’ve come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.
There’s an anchor for my soul I can say, “It is well.”

Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed;
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead.

And I will rise when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagle's wings; before my God fall on my knees, and rise.
I will rise.

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes.
Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed;
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead.
And I will rise when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagle's wings; before my God fall on my knees, and rise.
I will rise.

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
And I hear the cry of every longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
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Worthy is the Lamb!"

I will rise when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagle's wings; before my God fall on my knees, and rise.
I will rise. I will rise.

♪ "Because He Lives (Amen)"

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I believe in the Son; I believe in the Risen One;
I believe I overcome by the power of His blood.

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives;
Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives.

I was dead in the grave; I was covered in sin and shame;
I heard mercy call my name; He rolled the stone away.

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives;
Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends.

Because He lives I can face tomorrow;
Because He lives every fear is gone;
I know He holds my life, my future in His hand.

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives;

Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends.

Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives;
Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives. Because He lives.
Because He lives. Because He lives.

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus”

LSB 531

Hail, Thou once despisèd Jesus!
Hail, Thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Savior,
Bearer of our sin and shame!
By Thy merit we find favor:
Life is given through Thy name.

Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
All our sins on Thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.
All Thy people are forgiven
Through the virtue of Thy blood;
Opened is the gate of heaven,
Reconciled are we with God.

Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory,
There forever to abide;
All the heav'nly hosts adore Thee,
Seated at Thy Father's side.
There for sinners Thou art pleading;
There Thou dost our place prepare,
Ever for us interceding
Till in glory we appear.

Worship, honor, pow'r, and blessing
Thou art worthy to receive;
Highest praises, without ceasing,
Right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
All your noblest anthems raise;
Help to sing our Savior's merits,
Help to chant Immanuel's praise!

Thank the Lord



C 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

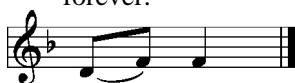


with shouts of thanks-giv-ing, Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - - men.

Benediction

P The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious to thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and T give thee peace.



C A - - men.

Announcements

Blessing and Dismissal

P Go forth in joy to love and serve God in all that you do.

C We are sent in the name of the risen Christ.

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

P May the God of peace, who raised to life the great shepherd of the sheep, make us ready to do His will in every good thing, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C Alleluia! Amen.

Hymn

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

LSB 461

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 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.

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.

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, 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.

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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