

VICTORY!

Death has been
swallowed up in victory.

1 Corinthians 15:54



**The Resurrection of Our Lord
Easter Sunday
March 31, 2024
9:00am and 11:00am
Abiding Presence Church and Preschool**

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11:00am Dcn. Gavin Schwen, Ms. Doris Meyer, Mr. Jim Meyer, Assisting

9:00am Mr. Brian Ansink, Mr. William Berg, Ushers

11:00am Ms. Jane Stark, Mr. Gavin Taylor, Usher

9:00am Caydence Bartolotta, Acolyte

11:00am Alma Wegener, Acolyte

9:00am Ms. Beverly Anderson, Ms. Whitney O'Donnell, Ms. Eileen Kane-Gemmell, Readers

11:00am Ms. Doris Meyer, Mr. Jim Meyer, Ms. Meredith Mayer, Readers

9:00am Mr. Brian Forberg, Video Production

Ms. Sandra Richards, Altar Guild



**Evangelical
Lutheran Church
in America**

Welcome to Worship!
Easter Sunday
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INTRODUCTION

Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. With Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, we may feel astonished and confused, unsure of what to make of the empty tomb. But this is why we gather: to proclaim, witness, praise, and affirm the liberating reality of Christ's death and resurrection. In word and feast, we celebrate God's unending love, and depart to share this good news with all the world. Alleluia!

PRELUDE

"An Easter Celebration"
Brass Quartet and Organ

Joel Raney

GATHERING - The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!



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 you 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!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4
 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: **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**

WORD - God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

A Reading from Acts

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.

⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Lector/. Word of God. Word of Life. Congregation/. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

***“Toccata for Easter”
Resounding Praise Bell Choir***

John A. Behnke

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The core of the Christian faith and Paul’s preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians

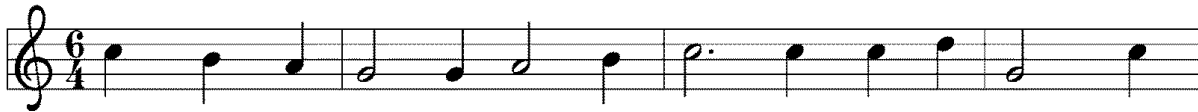
¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and 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 and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. 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, unfit 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 has not been 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 proclaim and so you have come to believe.

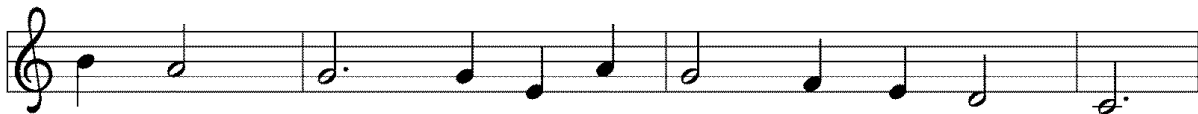
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GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL (st. 1)

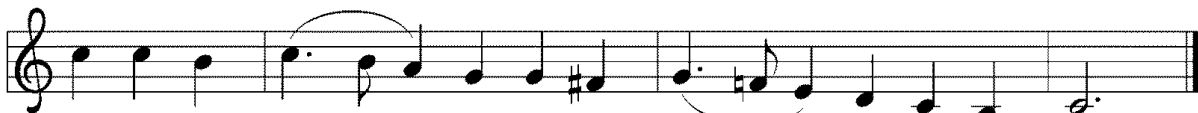
“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!”



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpus, 1570–1615

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Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark

Glory to You, O Lord

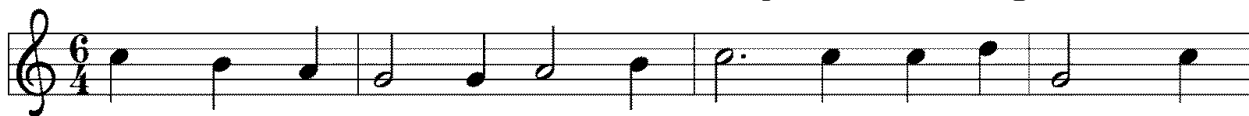
¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb,

they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

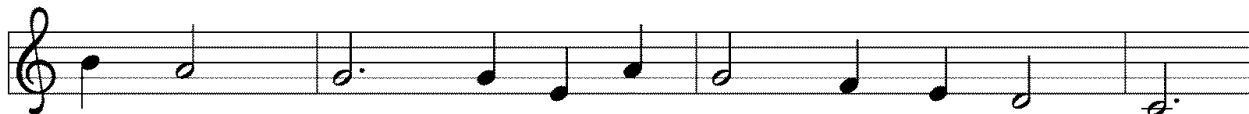
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL RECESSIONAL (st. 4)

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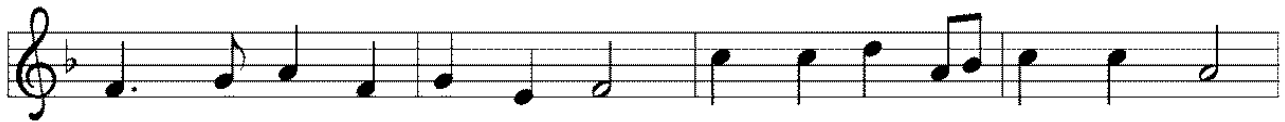
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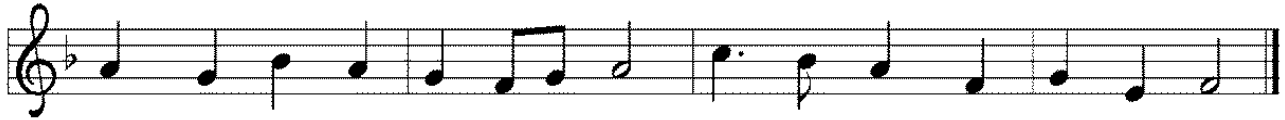
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REFLECTION



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" All on earth with 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 has burst the gates of hell.
 4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious king! Where, O death, is now your sting?



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re - ply.
 Lo! The 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 your vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 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!

6 King of glory, soul of bliss,
 everlasting life is this:
 thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,
 thus to sing, and thus to love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS, Pierre de Corbeil, d. 1222

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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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who 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

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news, responding “hear our prayer.”

A brief silence.

Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ’s love in the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people who are ill or recovering, especially those on our prayer list, and those we name before you, aloud or in our hearts *pause for names*. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

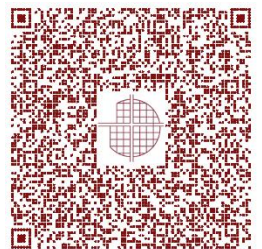
Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF PEACE

Please sit

OFFERING

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ANTHEM

“Rejoice This Day!”

Words by Pamela Stewart

Arranged by Douglas Wagner

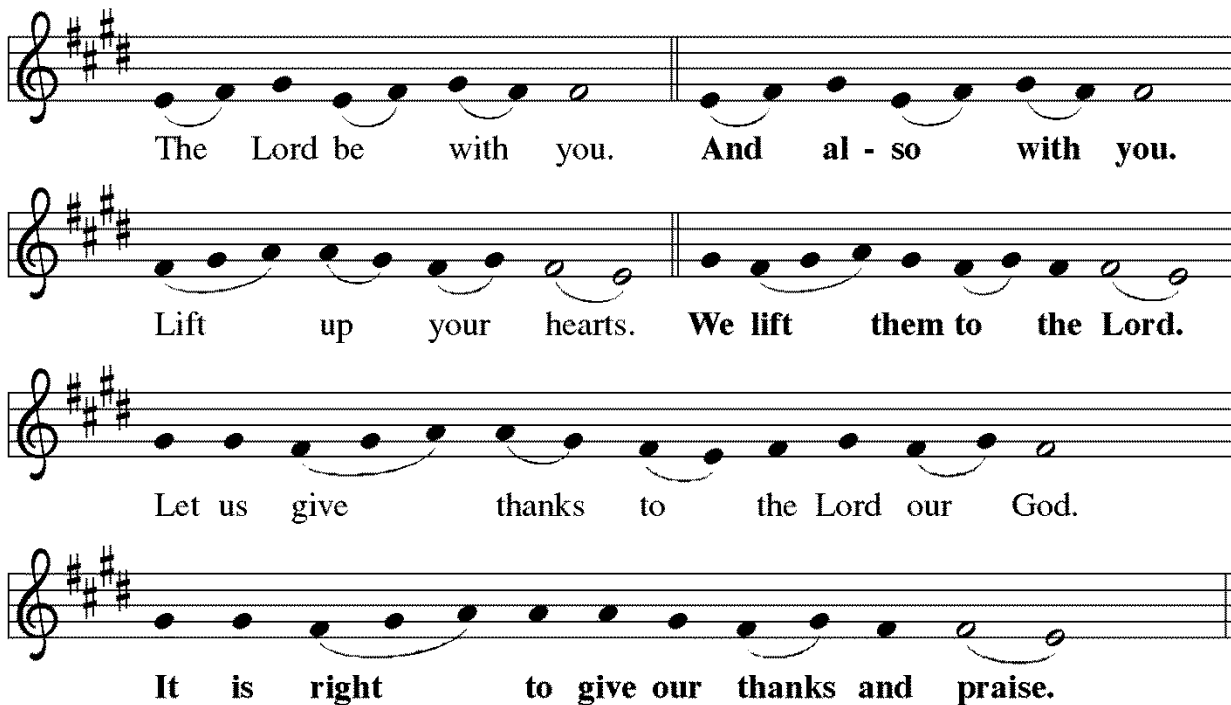
Choir of the Abiding Presence with Brass Quartet

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray: Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.

MEAL - God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The musical notation for the Great Thanksgiving is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The notes are connected by slurs, indicating a continuous melody. The lyrics are written below the notes.

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

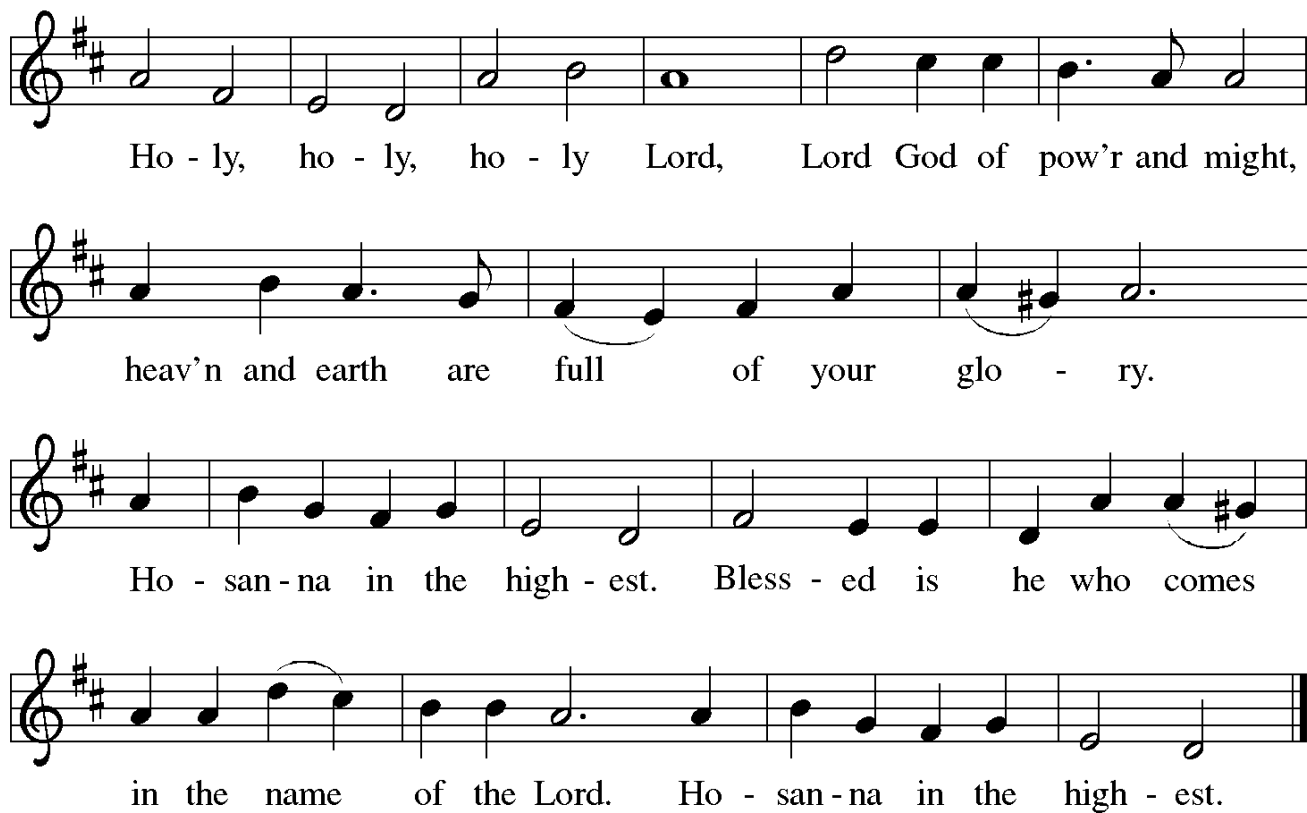
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

Amen.

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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are those who are called to come to his Supper.

**C: O Lord, we are not worthy to receive you, but only say the
word and we shall be healed.**

ANGUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

All who believe that along with the bread and wine we receive the true Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to the Lord's table to receive the Sacrament. The Sacrament will be distributed in one or two continuous lines at the main aisle. The bread is received in the hand and the communicant then proceeds to a blue or gold chalice for intinction or to a crystal chalice to drink from the common cup, or if so desired, the communicant may receive only the bread. Please let your Communion Minister know if you wish to receive a gluten free wafer. Please follow the guidance of the ushers.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION 366

“The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done”



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



- 1 The strife is o’er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor’s
- 2 The pow’rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
- 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav’n’s high
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound-ed you, from death’s sting free your



tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
has dis-persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909

Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

BLESSING

ANTHEM

“Hallelujah Chorus”

Choir of the Abiding Presence

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray: Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

SENDING - God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

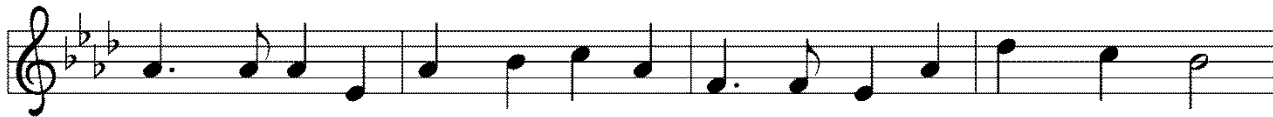
ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you his peace, In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



- 1 Christ is ris-en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
- 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
- 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
- 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
 through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re-returns to life once more;
 now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris-ing of to - day.
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.

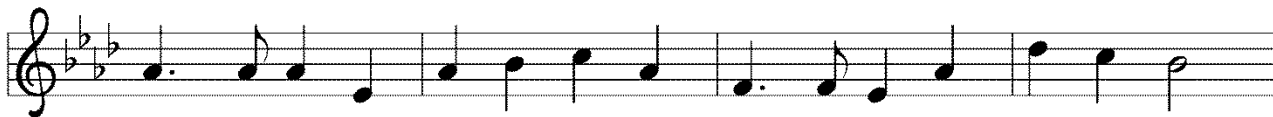


Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
 death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,
 See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;
 All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;

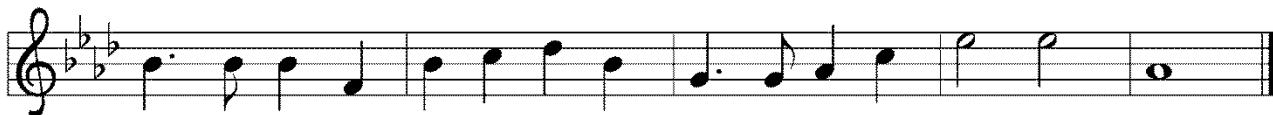


bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
 an - gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.

Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

DISMISSAL

Gathered by Christ, Growing in Faith, Sent to serve.

All are welcome!

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Arranged by Lloyd Larson

Brass Quartet and Organ

IN OUR PRAYERS FOR COMFORT AND HEALING ARE: Alie, Rakel Anderson, Annette, Jean B., J. Bauer, Margaret Belt, Betsey Berry, Robert Bogart, Betty Bose, Brenda, Matthew Bruce, Annabelle Carini, Carol Carini, Fran Casola, Claire, Anthony Ceriello, Christel Clausen, Mitch Crowley, Jackie DeVille, The Dillon Family, Avery Doino, Richard Domchick, Karen Dragani, Elaine, Roy Erlandson, Wendy Erlandson, Felix, Jeff Fenn, Kathleen Gaglio, Ralph Gallo, George Garone, Melinda Geis, Ella Giana, Frank Gonzalez, Gregory, Thomas H., Ed and June Heidelberger, Charlie Hoffman, Wendy J., Joanne, Joe, Ginny Kacin, Evelyn Kaestner, Robert Kelly, Brian Kennedy, Erik Krisch, Kristen, Ed Landesman, Loretta Lusteg, Doris Meyer, Terry Moore, Jennifer Morrell, Mildred Morse, Steven N., Kim Nallan, Robert Nedwick, Rose P., Patrick, Alice Pecchio, Richard Pecchio, Dorothy Philcox, Conrad Pohlmann, Jessica Pucci, Ron Pucci, Lynn R., Bill Roche, Charlotte Roessle, Jim Rogin, Sal, Susan Salerno, The Schettino Family, John Scott, Jeff Smith, Jeffrey Starke, Suzanne Stoklosa, Peter T., Anna T., Victoria, Michael Wagner, Peter Weichner, Bill Witte, Kathy Zieran, Erwin Zimmermann.

FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Joseph Begley, Liam Begley, Courtney Burke, Paul Cassuti, John Delano, Jonathan Dixon, Jason Ericksen, Walton Delano Gouldin, Eric Hank, Jr., Michael Hewson, Alycia A. Howard, Dr. Daniel Howard, Claire James, Tyler Kuchenbrod, Justin MacDonald, Katie Mayer, Daniel Murray, Richard Mutari, Jay Rosenwald, Jake Sass, Kaitlin Stark, Bryce Michael Wheeler.



***Our prayers and sympathies are with Melanie Rodenburgh
on the death of her father, Bud Weber.
Rest eternal grant him, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon him.***

THE PASCHAL CANDLE is given in loving memory of Bruce Daly by Janet and Pastor.

THE ALTAR HYDRANGEAS are given in honor of Jody and Rob and in loving memory of Wendy and Jack.

**2024 EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS
AND MEMORIALS**

Karen Alicata	In loving memory of Everett Thompson, Jr.
Karen Alicata	In loving memory of Salvatore Alicata.
Betty Bose	In memory of Nicole Lori Bose.
Betty Bose	In memory of Keith Bose, Sr.
The Bruce Family	In loving memory of Joseph Bruce.
Ingrid and Ron Bruens	With thanks for God's many blessings.
Carol and John Carini	In memory of our loved ones.
Carol and John Carini	In memory of MaryAnn Israelian and our loved ones.
The Cubbon Family	In honor of all our loved ones.
George and Karen Garone	In loving memory of Florence and Russell Hosie.
George and Karen Garone	In loving memory of Sally and George Garone.
The Geis and Bennett Families	In memory of our loved ones.
The Hogan Family	In memory of our loved ones.
Viv and Art Isakson	In thankfulness for all God's blessings.

Nicole Krick	In loving memory of my brother Dr. David Krick.
The Krush Family	In memory of loved ones.
George Muller	In memory of Peg Muller.
Corlyn Nedwick	In loving memory of Bud Weber.
Lindi Nubel	In loving memory of Roger Nubel.
Lindi Nubel	In loving memory of Audrey Munz, Walter Feltham, and John Feltham from The Nubel Family and Carlino Family.
The Pitfick Family	In memory of our loved ones.
The Redden Family	In memory of Eileen Viglione.
Sandra Richards	In memory of David.
Charlotte Roessle	In memory of Frank Roessle.
Charlotte Roessle	In memory of loved ones.
Ellen Ryan	In loving memory of Terence Ryan.
Janet and Pastor Schoepflin	In loving memory of Deacon Bruce Daly.
Janet and Pastor Schoepflin	In loving memory of loved ones.
Kristin Scully	In memory of loved ones.

Rosie Springer	In loving memory of Fred and Elizabeth Springer.
Rosie Springer	In loving memory of John Budacovich.
The Stark Family	In memory of our loved ones.
Roy and Sandra Starke	In memory of loved ones.
Jean and Roy Seher	In memory of loved ones.
The Williams Family	In loving memory of John and Emily Burns.
The Williams Family	In loving memory of Rose Williams and Ashton Ballou.
The Williams Family	In loving memory of Karen and Bob Schifellite.

*We thank our director of music and organist,
Dr. Thomas Zatorski, and all of our singers, ringers and instrumentalists for their
ministry today in helping us lift up our hearts and voices
to our Risen Savior in worship.*

Choir of the Abiding Presence

*Karen Alicata, Betty Bose, Karen Farber, Paul Farber, Jean Forberg,
Gerry Krush, Vivian Isakson, Lisa Pecchio, Nicole Redden,
Tony Redden, Mark Waldron, Holly Williams*

Resounding Praise Bell Choir

*Michael Alicata, Cathy Fox, Lisa Pecchio,
Tony Redden, Garrett VanderBrink*

Instrumentalists

*Rudy Johnson, French Horn
Christopher Zatorski, Trombone
Trumpet 1, Bob Sagarino
Trumpet 2, Kevin Cordone*

Daily Bible Readings for Year B (March 31 – April 7)

From *EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP*

The foundational premise of this set of daily readings is their relationship to the Sunday lectionary. The readings are chosen so that the days leading up to Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) prepare for the Sunday readings. The days flowing out from Sunday (Monday through Wednesday) reflect upon the Sunday readings.

Sun 3/31	<i>Resurrection of Our Lord—Easter Day</i> Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Mark 16:1-8	
Sun 3/31	<i>Resurrection of Our Lord—Easter Evening</i> Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 114 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 Luke 24:13-49	
Mon 4/1	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Genesis 1:1-19 1 Corinthians 15:35-49	<i>Annunciation of Our Lord (transferred from March 25)</i> Isaiah 7:10-14 Psalm 45
Tues 4/2	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Genesis 1:20—2:4a 1 Corinthians 15:50-58	Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38
Wed 4/3	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Song of Solomon 3:1-11 Mark 16:1-8	
Thurs 4/4	Psalm 133 Daniel 1:1-21 Acts 2:42-47	
Fri 4/5	Psalm 133 Daniel 2:1-23 Acts 4:23-31	
Sat 4/6	Psalm 133 Daniel 2:24-49 John 12:44-50	
Sun 4/7	<i>Second Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 133 1 John 1:1—2:2 John 20:19-31	

THE PARISH COUNCIL

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Sunday Schedule **9:30am In person** **The Holy Eucharist**
and Live stream via YouTube

Sunday school N3 – Grade 5 9:30am In person

Monday Schedule **7:30pm In person** **The Holy Eucharist**
NO MONDAY LITURGY APRIL 1

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