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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD—EASTER DAY Sunday, April 4, 2021 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

As We Gather

Though Christmas may be our favorite, Paul reminds us that Easter is of "first importance." If Christ had not arisen, our hope would be still locked in the tomb. Because He is risen, just as He said, we have hope of our own resurrection from the dead and look forward to the life everlasting, which death cannot touch. We come here today not simply to remember an event but to rejoice in the future made possible for us because of what happened. Before the world we confess that Jesus' resurrection is not a hope but a fact witnessed by more than five hundred and on that fact God has built a future for us—one we anticipate now even as we wait to see it fulfilled.

PREPARATION

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Entrance Rite

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **G** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- Lord Jesus Christ, our Paschal Lamb who was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world:
- have mercy on us.
- Lord Jesus Christ, who by Your death has destroyed death, and by Your rising to life again has restored to us eternal life:
- **C** have mercy on us.
- P Lord Jesus Christ, who rose early in the morning on the first day of the week and did first appear to Mary Magdalene:
- **C** have mercy on us.
- Lord Jesus Christ, who appeared to Your disciples proclaiming peace and breathed on them the Holy Spirit:
- have mercy on us.
- Lord Jesus Christ, who revealed Yourself to Thomas with the marks of Your suffering and who commended the faith of those who have not seen and yet believed:
- **C** have mercy on us.

- **P** By Your suffering and dying:
- deliver us from sin, its guilt, and its punishment.
- **P** By Your glorious resurrection:
- deliver us from this body of death.
- **P** By the majesty of Your risen body:
- deliver us from the weakness of this mortal life and lead us to eternity.
- P Set our minds on things above, that we may walk in love in this earthly journey and that we may dwell with You forever in the heavenly places of light and life.
- Grant that we may live in Easter joy today and all the days of our lives until we attain its eternal joys in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.

Introit Fanfare

Introit Psalm 16; antiphon: v. 10

- P Preserve me, O God,
- for in you I take refuge.
- P I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;
- I have no good apart from you."
- P As for the saints in the land,
- they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.
- P The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
- their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.
- P The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
- **G** you hold my lot.
- P The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
- indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- P I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
- in the night also my heart instructs me.
- P I have set the LORD always before me;
- **©** because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- P Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
- my flesh also dwells secure.
- P For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
- or let your holy one see corruption.
- P You make known to me the path of life;
- in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also 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 lifegiving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

WORD

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9 (ESV)

He will swallow up death forever

- ⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷ And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸ He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GoD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹ It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."
 - **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
 - Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:1–11 (ESV)

Christ appeared to His disciples and to more than five hundred witnesses

¹ Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not 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. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Solo 7:00 a.m. Barb Batie 10:00 a.m. Pam Trampe

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Mark 16:1–8 (ESV)

He is risen; He is not here!

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴ And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶ And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸ And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- 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 + of the world to come. Amen.

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Sermon Uncovered -- Waiting Isaiah 25:6-9

Offering (Offerings and attendance cards may be placed in the basket in the back)

Prayer of the Church

- Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
 - O Gracious Father, help us believe that because Jesus lives, we, too, are made alive by faith and shall live with Him eternally.
- Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.
- Lift our vision from sin and death that we not despair nor grow weary of well-doing as we await the completion of all that our Lord began,
- and give us the will and desire to use our days to proclaim His victory to the ends of the earth.
- P Give courage and discernment to the missionaries, including the Ferries and Chelsea Irwin and others far and near and to those planting new congregations that they abound in the hope of the resurrection,
- that those who hear this Gospel be granted the Holy Spirit and faith.
- P Consider those whose lives are burdened by afflictions of the body, mind, or spirit, and who seek Your healing and strength. Hear us especially for <u>names</u> and those named in our hearts.
- Deliver them according to Your merciful will, and sustain them in faith until their troubles and trials give way to the blessings of the resurrection and eternal life.
- P Hear Your people on behalf of our nation and all our leaders, on behalf of all peoples and nations, for peace, justice, and freedom,
- and for the will to work together to relieve suffering and deliver the oppressed.

- Remembering those who came to the tomb in sorrow and returned to their homes with the fear of the Lord in their hearts, receive our thanksgiving for the faithful who have gone before us.
- Give Your comfort to those who grieve the loss of those they love, and bring us with them into Your nearer presence, where sorrow and tears are no more.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

SACRAMENT

Confession and Absolution

- Merciful and loving Father, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by our sinful actions and our failure to do the good You desire. We pray You to grant to the penitent absolution and peace, that freed from the burden of guilt they enjoy the gift of a clear conscience.
- Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.
- 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 in His stead 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. As we delight in God's forgiving love, let us be reconciled to one another

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **@** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;

Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;

Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His

kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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.

Proclamation of Christ

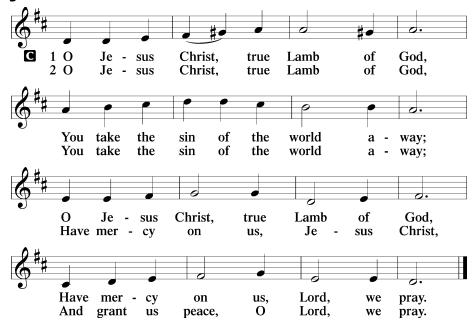
- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Words of Our Lord

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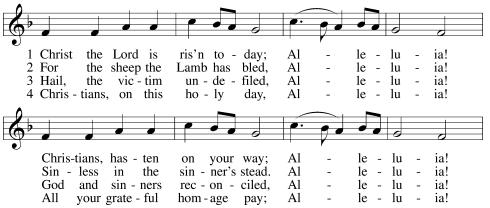
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- Amen.

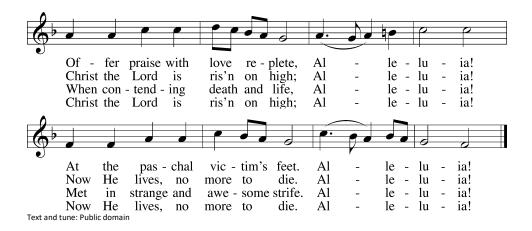
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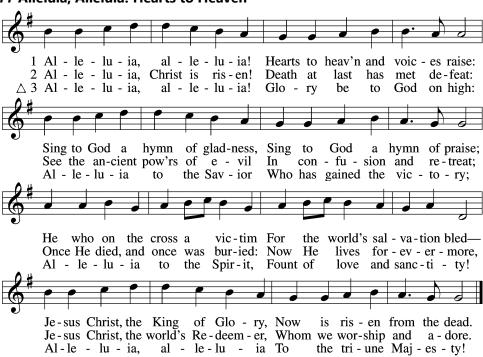
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463 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia





477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven



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Post Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord LSB 164



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



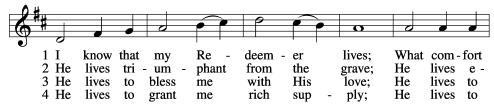
Post-Communion Thanksgiving

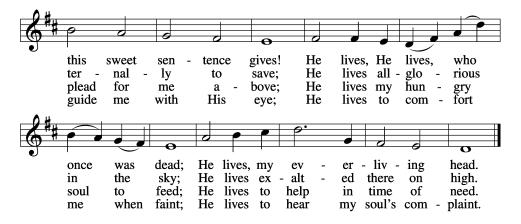
Benediction

Dismissal

- P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- Thanks be to God.
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- G He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives





- 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!

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