GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH April 12, 2020 - RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD -EASTER SUNDAY

"He has been raised from the dead."

[Matthew 28:7]



WELCOME

We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning.

9:30 A.M. Festival Liturgy

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

PRELUDE

Danza

Tielman Susato

BELL

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden. In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

To you we give honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (1, 2, 4)



GREETING

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

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! (1 & 5)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Sit

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

10 give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! 2Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." 14The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. 15There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly; 16the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly." 17I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD. 18The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. 19Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. 20This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. 211 thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. 22The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. 23This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. 24This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Sing Alleluia to the Lord. Sing Alleluia, Sing Alleluia.

> Jesus has risen from the dead Jesus has risen, Jesus has risen.

He's coming back to take us home. He's coming back, He's coming back.

> He's Lord of Lords and King of Kings. He's Lord of Lords, He's King of Kings.

Stand as you are able

GOSPEL Matthew 28:1-10

1 After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. 2And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. 5But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. 6He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. 7Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." 8So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. 10Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Sit

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

SERMON

Freedom

Time for reflection

Stand as you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Am the Resurrection and the Life

Chorus:

I am the resurrection and the life;
All who believe in me will never die.
I am the resurrection and the life;
All who believe in me will live a new life.

Verses:

I have come to bring the truth;
I have come to bring you life;
If you believe, then you shall live. *Chorus*

In my word all you will come to know; It is love which makes the Spirit grow. If you believe, then you shall live. *Chorus*

Keep in mind the things that I have said; Remember me in the breaking of the bread. If you believe, then you shall live. *Chorus*

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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

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God of resurrection, from the very beginning you give the church the gift of women as your witnesses: as preachers, teachers, and leaders (especially). Open our ears to their proclamation this day and always. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

All your creation praises you—the earth hums, the seas pulse, the stars shine, and the galaxies whirl in glorious harmonies to honor you. Let us hear and blend our voices in the song. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

The countries of the world experience disunity and conflict; we set our minds on fear and greed rather than on your rule of justice and steadfast love. Build up all countries on your cornerstone of peace. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We still weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn. Cradle the fearful, the suffering, and the dying, assuring them of your loving presence (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Bless the creative and helpful service of worship leaders this day: musicians, ushers, greeters, worship assistants, preachers, readers, and all others who provide welcome and hospitality in our midst. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Risen Lord, you went ahead of us into the grave and defeated the powers of evil. We remember those who have died (especially). Inspire us to live our lives in this resurrection hope and draw us to you in our final days. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

OFFERING

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Stand as you are able

God 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.

With thanksgiving and unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as they praise Your glory forever:



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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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SENDING PRAYERS

We thank you, living God for your Son, who sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us, so send us to love Christ in our neighbors.

Let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick from the coronavirus. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. **May God console them and grant them peace.**

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good. Amen.

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SENDING HYMN Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (1, 2, 4) Now all of heav'n 1 the vault re sounds 2 Ε the brings, ter nal is gift he fill 3 Oh, Lord. with daunt love; us, less dor Α ing prais - es now we bring praise of love that still "Christ in a bounds: has there fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has set heart and will on things a bove that we with the heav'n-ly bless - ed "Christ and sing: has tri umphed! He is liv ing!" Sing, choirs of ing!" He tri umphed! is liv Now still he con quer through your tri umph; grant grace suf umphed! Al le lu ia!" Be to the peat their song of an - gels, loud and clear! Re glo - ry pres - ence stills all comes to give life and by his us fi - cient for life's day that our lives we tru - ly Fa - ther. and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly "Christ umphed! ing!" here: has He liv tri is



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DISMISSAL

Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

POSTLUDE

In Thee Is Gladness Michael Burkhardt

A Special thanks to those who sponsored flowers this year!

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| Dave & Ada | Kitty Nagel |
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.Maria Herrera

For my Secret Prayer Pal ...