



This morning we celebrate the Lord's Supper. If you are a member in good standing of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LC-MS) or the American Association of Lutheran Churches (AALC), we invite you to join us in receiving the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given and shed for the forgiveness of your sins. If you are a member of another Christian denomination, we invite you as brothers and sisters in Christ to receive a personal blessing during the communion distribution. Please place your hand over your heart to indicate that you desire to receive a blessing. Although you may not fully understand or agree with our practice regarding Communion fellowship, we ask that you respect it nevertheless.

We offer two wines for our communion celebrations. The lighter one, in the center ring of the communion tray, is for those who need the non-alcoholic wine for medical reasons. The wine in the remaining cups in the trays and the wine in the chalice is the regular communion wine.

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Easter Sunrise

"Angel Eyes"

April 17, 2022

AS WE GATHER: Early on Easter morning, the angel, which means "messenger," announced what he knew to be true: the tomb was empty because Christ had risen. The women were initially overcome with fear, as anyone would be if confronted by a holy herald from God. Their physical eyes would not see our Lord until He revealed Himself. But we have been given the angel's eyes, as it were, for by faith we see our Lord with us now. The news the angel proclaimed is too good to keep to ourselves. As God's messengers today, it is our turn to tell the world that He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Invocation

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

The Light of Christ

(Please rise as Pastor enters.)

Pastor The light of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor The light of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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- In Loving memory of husband George and son Bob, in celebration of the first Easter morning and in thanksgiving for the gift of each day – Annabell Richardson
- In memory of my husband David and my friend Norm – Bev Stafford
- In memory of my parents, Elvira and Ernest Otto – Sandra Benedett
- In thanksgiving for Christ's redeeming love! – Al and Kolleen Hosford
- In memory of Marion Quandt – Paul Quandt

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OUR EASTER LILIES ARE GIVEN TO GOD'S GLORY, AND

- In memory of my husband Jack Mendel – Jan Mendel
- In memory of Elsie Stephens, Dick's mom
 - Dick and Marty Stoner
- In memory of Eva L. Haley, Marty's mom
 - Dick and Marty Stoner
- In celebration of Our Risen Savior – Dick and Marty Stoner
- In thanksgiving for my improving health – Marty Stoner
- In thanksgiving for 49 years of marriage
 - Dick and Marty Stoner
- In memory of Lloyd and Evelyn Reed
 - Perc and Lin (Reed) Slattenow
- In memory of Sanford and Alma Slattenow
 - Perc and Lin (Reed) Slattenow
- In memory of Neal and Diane Slattenow
 - Perc and Lin (Reed) Slattenow
- In memory of Tony and Sandy (Slattenow) Burns
 - Perc and Lin (Reed) Slattenow
- In memory of my parents Rolland and Margaret Pederson, and in thanksgiving that He is Risen! – Dana Varney
- In celebration of our glorious risen Lord – Gladys Cashman
- In thanksgiving for God's grace and forgiveness – Gene Brown
- In memory of our Parents – Werner and Becky Meyer
- In memory of Hubert and Georgia Rossin
 - Jim and Sherry Rodemeyer
- In memory of Robert White – Diva White
- In celebration of our risen Lord and Savior, in thanksgiving for family and friends – Mike and Nancy Carper
- In memory of Ferd Potratz, Olivia Grace Honebrink and Lila Ethlyn Honebrink - Ethlyn, Ruth and Rita Potratz
- In memory of our loved ones who we miss dearly, In celebration of our risen Lord, and in thanksgiving for family and friends
 - Becky Dumler
- In memory of Russell and Virginia Heidemann – Linda Storey
- In memory of Link Johnson (husband), Bob Johnson (son) Hailey Rae Bucknell (Great Granddaughter) and Chad Bucknell (Grandson) – Karen Johnson
- In memory of Pastor McHone and in thanksgiving for the congregation's prayers, encouragement and generosity
 - Pastor and Andrea Kane
- In memory of Beth's Aunt Olga Versen (recently called Home)
 - Beth and Kevin McCrindle
- In celebration of the many joys of Easter
 - Beth and Kevin McCrindle

Pastor The light of Christ!
People Thanks be to God!

Holy Gospel Mark 16:1-8 pew Bible page 1584

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th chapter.

People Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

Exsultet

Pastor Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels; rejoice now, all creation; trumpet the news of salvation to proclaim what our eyes cannot see, the victory of our King. The ancient darkness has been banished forever. Let the praises of God's faithful people fill all this house with rejoicing.

PREPARATION

Hymn "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" **LSB**
457

Opening Sentences

Pastor This is the day that the LORD has made;
People let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24
 Pastor The LORD is God,
People and He has made His light to shine upon us. Psalm 118:27

Confession and Absolution

Pastor The angel told the women what his eyes had beheld, and he urged them to tell Jesus' disciples and Peter, but "they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." Let us confess to God all that holds us back from spreading the news of our Lord's resurrection.

(Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.)

Pastor Our gracious heavenly Father,
People we confess that we have let the things around us cloud our vision, dim our joy, and close our lips. We have failed to look at Your glory and power through the eyes of the angel. Instead, we have relied on the limited information that our senses provide. We have feared what we could not explain and failed to rely on Your gracious promises. We have, therefore, not loved You with all that we have and are; we have not loved our neighbors as much as we have loved ourselves. Worse, without Your aid, we cannot change.

In Your great mercy, forgive us and, by Your Holy Spirit, assure us of Your victory over sin, death, and the power of the devil on our behalf. Help us then to announce the resurrection to all we meet, to the glory of Your holy name.

Pastor By becoming one of us to die for us, our Lord Jesus Christ paid for all our sins. When the Father raised Him on this glorious day, He showed all creation that He received that payment and nothing, even death itself, can stand between us and His gracious, eternal promises.

Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

Pastor Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Please help us keep our prayer requests current by calling the office (235.6705) with updates – especially with our long term requests and military personnel.

Benediction

Pastor Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Closing Hymn "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" **LSB 469**

Dismissal

Pastor Go in peace as you serve our risen Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

PARTICIPATING:

Worship Leader/Preacher

Pastor Michael Wagnitz

Organist

Mrs. Kolleen Hosford

Worship Elder

Mr. Alan Kleinendorst

Join us Sunday Mornings

9:00 am Worship

10:15 am Fellowship

10:20 am Sunday School

10:30 am Adult Bible Class

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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WORD

Kyrie

Pastor In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Pastor That we may recognize the peace and salvation Easter brings, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Pastor That the world may see peace, the Church of God may enjoy vitality, and we may all be united in Easter faith, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For this holy house, and for all who respond to the resurrection in worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Pastor Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People Amen.

Hymn of Praise "The Day of Resurrection" **LSB 478**

Salutation

Pastor The Lord be with you.

Pastor And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor Let us pray.

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life.

People We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever;

Pastor through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Old Testament Job 19:23-27 pew Bible page 811

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:51-57 pew Bible page 1790

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel John 20:1-18 pew Bible page 1685
Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

People Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

Sermon Hymn "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" **LSB 466**

Sermon

Offertory "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **LSB 805**

Prayer of the Church

Pastor Let us pray for all people in their various needs and for the Church as it witnesses to our Lord's resurrection.

The women "were saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us?' " Let us pray for all whose work is tiring and laborious.

People Lighten their load, O Lord, strengthen their bodies, and give them dignity in their efforts.

Pastor The angel said to them, "Do not be alarmed." Let us pray for all who awaken this day in fear of violence, discrimination, or injustice.

People Accompany them, risen Lord; graciously protect them and strengthen them until they find days of peace and security.

Pastor The angel invited the women, "See the place where they laid Him." Let us pray for all who visit hospitals, nursing homes, and cemeteries on this holy day.

People Dry the eyes of those who mourn, O Holy

Spirit, through their resurrection faith. Give comforting words to those who visit,

perseverance to those who are ill, and skill to health workers in all professions.

Pastor Then he urged them, "Go, tell His disciples." Let us pray for all who carry the news of Christ's victory over death to their neighborhoods and to nations around the world.

People Lord Jesus, protect, guide, and bless our brothers and sisters who announce the resurrection in the company of those who gather with them around Word and Sacrament and then carry it with them as Your messengers to all they meet, near and far.

Pastor Job wrote, "Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book!" Let us pray for those who write constitutions and laws, all who maintain order in society, and everyone in harm's way at home or abroad.

People O almighty God, give wisdom to those who deliberate in houses of government, courage to those who respond to conflict in their communities, and protection to men and women deployed in the defense of freedom around the world.

Pastor Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, our risen Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.

People Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 194ff

Distribution Hymns

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

LSB 633

"This Joyful Eastertide"

LSB 482

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

LSB 200