



THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
April 12, 2020

WELCOME TO
MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Education Hour 10:20 a.m.



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May we recognize you, Risen Lord, when you call us by name as you did Mary, and may we be eager to tell others the good news.

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This is the day that the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through Him all creation is made new! Indeed, “God shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34): 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. 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.

WELCOME

GATHERING
We Enter God’s Presence.

OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Green 151

**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!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

INVOCATION

EASTER ACCLAMATION

This is the day that the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Christ has risen from the dead. Alleluia!
God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,
He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;
He has put all things under His feet. Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, we confess to you that we have broken your commandments by our own thoughts, words, and deeds. We have often despaired and not lived as your risen people. We have not loved our brothers and sisters as we ought, and we have not cared for your creation. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and give us the healing power of your love that we may walk again in your ways and live to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God is gracious and merciful, and desires that we be made free of the burden of our sins. Through Jesus Christ, who bore the cross for our sake and for the sake of the whole world, there is healing, hope, and life. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light. Grant that we who have been raised with Him may abide in His presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN OF RESPONSE

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Green 352

**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.**

W O R D

We Hear God's Word.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

Peter summarizes Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." (NRSV)

This the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God! (*shouted*)

SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4

We have been raised with Christ to seek the higher things.

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God! (*shouted*)

CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10
The resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord! (*shouted*)

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And 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. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then 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." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." (*NRSV*)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ! (*shouted*)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

The Message of the Easter Lily

S E R M O N

As He Said

Text: Matthew 28:1-10

H Y M N O F T H E D A Y

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen

Blue 674

**Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!**

Refrain: Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

**Weeping be gone; sorrow, be silent: death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: "O grave, be open!" Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.
Refrain**

**City of God, Easter forever, golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
River of Life, saints and archangels, sing with creation to God the I AM!
Refrain**

N I C E N E C R E E D

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray . . .sins of the whole world.
Heal us always!

That we may . . .Christ's resurrection.
Heal us always!

For people who . . .of Your risen love.
Heal us always!

For all of Your creation . . .all of Your children.
Heal us always!

For those who have died . . .resurrection of the dead.
Heal us always!

Into Your risen healing . . .for whom we pray.
By Christ's wounds, we are healed! Amen. Alleluia!

LORD'S PRAYER

We pray the prayer that our wounded healer, Jesus the Christ, has taught us to pray:
Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

S E N D I N G We Go Forth With God's Blessing To Serve.
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BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

Green 143

**Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav'nly blessed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!" Be to the Father, and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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NEXT SUNDAY – Second Sunday of Easter (Year A): Acts 5:29-42; Psalm 148;
1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS WEEK — A special “Thank You” to the many people who made the worship services of Holy Week possible. The traditional Holy Week services require many volunteers. Preparing those services while social distancing was more complicated and only accomplished with the assistance and hard work of the following people: **Galen Behr, Marsha Behr, Josh Callahan, Jill Clausen, Mark Flemmer, Melissa Lorang, Noah Lorang, Samuel Lorang, Tim Lorang, Rev. Glenn Meyer, Sue Meyer, Rachel Misiolek, Victor Padron, Mark Sorensen, Barb Stacy, Kristi Townsend, Mikale Townsend, Jr., Tom Trusty, Paul Whitmore, Max Williams**

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) — All church events are cancelled or open only to essential persons. Please do not come to the church building. The church office will be closed and Jill will work from home. Questions regarding the virus may be directed to our Parish Nurse, **Amie Rikke**, who has undergone training specific to the virus. She can be reached at 402-740-1987. Pastoral needs may be directed to **Pastor Meyer** at 402-580-2929 or one of the Lay Ministers.

YOUTUBE Going forward, our hope is that all services will be available on the Mount Olive Youtube channel. Subscribe to our channel (Mount Olive Lutheran Church Omaha) on Youtube or by visiting our Facebook page. Our Youtube channel can also be found at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3HE6an5bZa1Ba0sQRlJCMQ>

LENTEN ALMS — If you saved Lenten Alms this year please forward them to the church by Friday so we can send them on to the Hamid family. We are providing assistance to our former POBLO missionaries, Aman and Amel Hamid. Aman broke his spine in a work-related accident last year. He is now doing rehab, but still unable to work. Thank you.

Praying for Our Parish in 2020			
Let us remember each other in prayer during the week that we celebrate the anniversary of one's Baptism.			
<u>April 14</u> Jane Davey Al Wegner	<u>April 15</u> Becky Hurt	<u>April 18</u> Betsy Kosch Bob Wegner	<u>April 18</u> Tim Wegner Jerry Zulfer