



Easter Sunrise Worship Service
April 9, 2023

EASTER SUNRISE
ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 9, 2023

Divine Service: Setting Five

LSB p. 213

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Choir) “Resurrection Victory”

EASTER GREETING

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!!

stand

OPENING HYMN “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

LSB 457



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 ye 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: tr. Lyra Davidica, 1708, London, alt.; (sts. 1–3): Latin, 14th cent.; (st. 4): Charles Wesley, 1707–88 Tune: Lyra Davidica, 1708, London Text and tune: Public domain

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB p. 213

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB p. 214

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 life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

sit

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Daniel 6:1-24

¹It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom 120 satraps, to be throughout the whole kingdom; ²and over them three presidents, of whom Daniel was one, to whom these satraps should give account, so that the king might suffer no loss. ³Then this Daniel became distinguished above all the other presidents and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him. And the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom. ⁴Then the presidents and the satraps sought to find a ground for complaint against Daniel with regard to the kingdom, but they could find no ground for complaint or any fault, because he was faithful, and no error or fault was found in him. ⁵Then these men said, "We shall not find any ground for complaint against this Daniel unless we find it in connection with the law of his God."

⁶Then these presidents and satraps came by agreement to the king and said to him, "O King Darius, live forever! ⁷All the presidents of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an injunction, that whoever makes petition to any god or man

for thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions.
⁸Now, O king, establish the injunction and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked.”⁹Therefore King Darius signed the document and injunction.¹⁰When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.¹¹Then these men came by agreement and found Daniel making petition and plea before his God.¹²Then they came near and said before the king, concerning the injunction, “O king! Did you not sign an injunction, that anyone who makes petition to any god or man within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?” The king answered and said, “The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked.”¹³Then they answered and said before the king, “Daniel, who is one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or the injunction you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day.”¹⁴Then the king, when he heard these words, was much distressed and set his mind to deliver Daniel. And he labored till the sun went down to rescue him.¹⁵Then these men came by agreement to the king and said to the king, “Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no injunction or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed.”

¹⁶Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, “May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you!”¹⁷And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel.¹⁸Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no diversions were brought to him, and sleep fled from him.

¹⁹Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions.²⁰As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able

to deliver you from the lions?” ²¹Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever! ²²My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm.” ²³Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God. ²⁴And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR “One Day”

THE EPISTLE LESSON

I Peter 3:17-22

¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY “One House Abides Unending”



1 One house a - bides un - end - ing, One Mas - ter
 2 The wealth of all cre - a - tion We squan - dered
 3 With end - less hun - ger driv - en The grave cried
 4 Ex - change our ash for beau - ty, A - noint our



fears no fall, One Lord pro - vides, at - tend - ing The
 at our birth. The heirs of con - dem - na - tion Sowed
 out for more, But Je - sus Christ has giv - en Safe
 grief with joy; Dear Lord, who paid our du - ty, All



dai - ly want of all. When ru - in would al -
 tears in blight - ed earth. But light, the world's first
 pas - sage through its door: His flow - ing blood our
 grace for us em - ploy. Feed us the sav - ing



lure them Whose one es - tate was need, One Fa - ther
 trea - sure, The Mas - ter worked a - new In prom - ise,
 rai - ment, The flood to purge our shame; The liv - ing
 man - na Lest on the way we fail And sweet - en



would se - cure them In will, in trust, in deed.
 and in mea - sure No mor - tal eye could view.
 God the pay - ment That buys for us His name.
 our Ho - san - na To ho - ly Eas - ter's hail.

Text: Rachel Crane Tune: Welsh Text: © 2022 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: CPH Lent License no. 110005744 Tune: Public domain

stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 27:57-66

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-seventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵⁷When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him.

⁵⁹And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud

⁶⁰and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away. ⁶¹Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

⁶²Next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise.'

⁶⁴Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." ⁶⁵Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can." ⁶⁶So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CREED “We All Believe in One True God”

LSB 953



1 We all be-lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
2 We all be-lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and Mar - y's son,
3 We all con-fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who from both in truth pro-ceeds,



Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host;
Who de - scend - ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won;
Who sus - tains and com-forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en-folds, All cre - a - tion He up-holds.
By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.
Bless-ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–84; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 1693,
3rd ed., Meiningen Text and tune: Public domain

sit

SERMON “The Oil of Joy and Gladness”

stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we thank You that
You raised Your Son from death's grave so that life everlasting may
be given to us through faith in Him.

**C: Grant that the promised treasures of Your Word remind us of
the inheritance we have received.**

P: Lead us to a firm reliance upon our risen Savior, trusting that He is
victorious over our greatest enemies of sin, death, and the power
of the devil.

**C: Help us to know the power of His resurrection, sharing
together the joy of His Easter triumph.**

P: Lord Jesus, grant that the message of that first Easter Day change hearts and lives on this day when we celebrate Your victory over death and the grave. Give strength and peace to those who grieve the death of those they love.

C: Help them to know that You are preparing a family reunion in heaven for all who trust in You.

P: As You now reign with the Father at His right hand, You govern all the peoples and nations of the world, including the country where we live. We are strangers in this land that is not our own, so give us hearts that anticipate the day You will welcome us into eternal life,

C: gathering us and all Your people into the promised land, where we will dwell with You forever.

P: Holy Spirit, You bring the reality of Jesus' resurrection into our lives today, uniting with Christ those who have been baptized into His name.

C: Bless us through any joy or triumph, defeat or difficulty we may face.

P: We lift up before You ourselves, our families, our community, and our family in Christ in this congregation, [*especially . . .*]. Holy Spirit, give us joy in knowing the fellowship of the communion of saints, the peace of sins forgiven, the comfort of the resurrection, and the sure and certain hope of life everlasting with You in the promised land of heaven.

Special Prayers

C: All glory, honor, and praise belongs to You, with the Father and the Son, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Give Thanks"

LSB 806



Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give thanks to the

Ho-ly One, Give thanks be-cause He's giv-en Je-sus

Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give

thanks to the Ho-ly One, Give thanks be-cause He's giv-en

Je-sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am

strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," Be-cause of

what the Lord has done for us. And now let the

weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am

rich," Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us.



Give thanks, _____ give thanks. _____

Text and tune: Henry Smith, 1952 Text and tune: © 1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005744

PREFACE

LSB p. 216

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LSB p. 217

C 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.**

P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD (spoken by pastor)

LSB p. 217

THE PAX DOMINI

LSB p. 217

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

LSB 633



1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death’s dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael’s hosts tri - um-phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin’s pow’r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!
- Δ 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we
 praise. Alleluia!

Text: Latin, c. 5th–10th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–68, alt. Tune: Kirchengeseng, 1566, Ivancice Text and tune: Public domain

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"

LSB 467



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, See what to - day is done;
 2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed When Christ lay in the tomb;
 3 This is a sight that glad - dens—What peace it doth im - part!
 4 Now hell, its prince, the dev - il, Of all their pow'r are shorn;



Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, Comes forth the glo - rious sun.
 But lo, he now is rout - ed, His boast is turned to gloom.
 Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens The joy with - in my heart.
 Now I am safe from e - vil, And sin I laugh to scorn.



My Sav - ior there was laid Where our bed must be made
 For Christ a - gain is free; In glo - rious vic - to - ry
 No gloom shall ev - er shake, No foe shall ev - er take
 Grim death with all its might Can - not my soul af - fright;



When to the realms of light Our spir - it wings its flight.
 He who is strong to save Has tri - umphed o'er the grave.
 The hope which God's own Son In love for me has won.
 It is a pow'r - less form, How - e'er it rave and storm.

- 5 The world against me rages, Its fury I disdain;
 Though bitter war it wages, Its work is all in vain.
 My heart from care is free, No trouble troubles me.
 Misfortune now is play, And night is bright as day.
- 6 Now I will cling forever To Christ, my Savior true;
 My Lord will leave me never, Whate'er He passes through.
 He rends death's iron chain; He breaks through sin and pain;
 He shatters hell's grim thrall; I follow Him through all.

7 He brings me to the portal That leads to bliss untold,
Whereon this rhyme immortal Is found in script of gold:
“Who there My cross has shared Finds here a crown prepared;
Who there with Me has died Shall here be glorified.”

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76; tr. John Kelly, 1833–90, alt. Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662 Text and tune: Public domain

stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT (spoken by pastor) LSB p. 218

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION LSB p. 218

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine
on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with
favor and † give you peace.

C **Amen.**

sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF DEPARTURE “I Know That My Redeemer Lives” LSB 461



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 5 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!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–99, abr. Tune: attr. John C. Hatton, d. 1793 Text and tune: Public domain

THE SENDING

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!!

POSTLUDE(S)



Easter Blessings

Welcome to Peace in the name of the Risen Savior!

We request that visitors register by using the Communication cards found in the pew card holders. We ask that you share your name and address so that we can recognize your visit with us. All members are requested to register by using the Communication cards found in the pew card holders. Members, please indicate all family members present and those who took communion, so that the Pastor and Elders can be spiritually accountable for you and your family.

Hearing assist devices and large print bulletins are available for those who may need them. Please see an Usher or the Elder who will be happy to assist you.

A Mother's Room is available for parents of young children if the need arises. The Mother's Room in the west hallway. The worship service is able to be heard in the Mother's Room.



Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion Scripture teaches that Holy Communion is a sacred act, established by Christ Himself and is given to His Church. As members of **The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**, we hold the doctrine of the Real Presence, in with and under; meaning that Jesus gives His Body and Blood with the bread and wine, as He Himself says,

"This is my body... This is my blood... for the forgiveness of sins." (Matthew 26:26ff)

The Holy Scriptures also teach us to receive this meal in a way that is responsible and healthy. As overseer, St. Paul wrote- *"let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself"* (1 Cor. 11:28-29). Out of genuine care for God's people we ask that those (1) who have not been baptized and instructed in the faith or (2) who come from another church body, not in altar or pulpit fellowship with us, refrain from receiving Holy Communion.

For those preparing to receive Holy Communion, Luther encourages us to ask ourselves these questions:

Do **I repent** of my sins, desiring to turn away from them, back to the Lord?

Do **I believe** Jesus died and rose for me and gives me His Body and Blood this day "for the forgiveness of sins"?

Do **I intend** to use this means of grace to change my life, following His will and way?

We ask that all who receive the Lord's Supper fill out a "Care Card" and place it in the offering plate. Please note that reduced-alcoholic white wine is available in the center cups of the communion tray.

**Peace Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod**

1228 S Park Ave.
Neenah, WI 54956
920-725-0510

Ricky P. Schroeder, Pastor
pastor@peaceneenah.com
Josiah Fitch, Associate Pastor
assocpastor@peaceneenah.com

WORSHIP SERVICES:

Holy Communion Celebrated at all Services
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School (Sept. -May) 10:30 a.m.

Website: www.peaceneenah.com
You tube: Peace Neenah

