

Easter Service

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In Christ the Cornerstone...Living His Word, Sharing His Love

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Angel Eyes

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!

457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



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 endured, 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!

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Opening Sentences

P This is the day that the LORD has made;
C let us rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm 118:24*

P The LORD is God,
C and He has made His light to shine upon us. *Psalm 118:27*

Confession and Absolution

- P** 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.

- P** Our gracious heavenly Father,
C 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.

- P** 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.

- C** Amen.

- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

- C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Kyrie

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

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

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** 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.

- C** Lord, have mercy.

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

- C** Lord, have mercy.

- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

- C** Amen.



Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

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

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

P through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter Tell - ing the
3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the
4 Weep - ing, be gone; Sor - row, be si - lent: Death put a -
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, Gold - en Je -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -
sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; Break - ing our bread, Giv - ing us
Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the
sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing: "O grave, be
ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, Riv - er of life, Saints and arch -



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
an - gels, Sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Refrain
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Old Testament Reading

Job 19:23–27

²³“Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:51–57

⁵¹Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. ⁵³For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”
⁵⁵“O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?”

⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1–8

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

P When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them,

A 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. 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.

P 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.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
 4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
 5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
 Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.
 He has a - ris - en this world to save.
 Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go;
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
 Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
 Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 And in its con - quest His might did show.
 On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
 E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
 He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain



Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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SERMON

This Easter Celebration

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2020

Aurelia

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

1. This Eas - ter ce - le - bra - tion is not like ones we've known.
2. No gath - ered choirs are sing - ing; no ban - ners lead the way.
3. Our joy won't come from wor - ship that's in a crowd - ed room
4. In all the grief and suf - fer - ing, may we re - mem - ber well:
5. We thank you that on Eas - ter, your church is blessed to be

We pray in i - so - la - tion, we sing the hymns a - lone.
O God of love and prom - ise, where's joy this Eas - ter Day?
but from the news of wom - en who saw the emp - ty tomb.
Christ suf - fer - ed cru - ci - fix - ion and faced the powers of hell.
a scat - tered, faith - ful bo - dy that's do - ing mi - ni - stry.

We're dis - tant from our neigh - bors— from wor - ship lead - ers, too.
With sanc - tu - a - ries emp - ty, may homes be - come the place
Our joy comes from di - sci - ples who ran with haste to see—
Each Eas - ter bears the pro - mise: Christ rose that glo - rious day!
In homes and in the pla - ces of help and heal - ing, too,

No flo - wers grace the chan - cel to set a fes - tive mood.
we pon - der re - sur - rec - tion and ce - le - brate your grace.
who heard that Christ is ris - en, and then, by grace, be - lieved.
Now no - thing in cre - a - tion can keep your love a - way.
we live the Eas - ter mes - sage by glad - ly serv - ing you.

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.**



Prayer of the Church

P 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.

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

P 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.

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

P 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.

C **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.**

P 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.

C **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.**

P 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.

C **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.**

P 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.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Offering

Our Eyes Behold the Savior's Face

1. Our eyes behold the Savior's face
And yet cannot perceive
That His perspective held our grace
Before we could believe.
2. Our focus flits and fails to see
The One whose steadfast gaze
Propelled Him to the darkened tree
Enveloped in death's haze.
3. Our sights train on the Dreadful cross.
Beneath His knowing eyes,
Our sins are bare and set for loss;
He sees us as His prize.
4. Our vision blurs with anxious tears
As Jesus' eyelids fall
To conquer sin and all our fears
And tear in two our pall.
5. Our view scans for the coming Day
That evermore grows near,
When Jesus wipes our tears away
And all is crystal clear.

Benediction

P The blessing of God Almighty—the Father, who sent His Son to certain death in order to give us life, the Son, who left the tomb empty on this day of His rising, and the Holy Spirit, who graciously enables us to be messengers of the resurrection—be upon you, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:

2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:

△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re-treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va-tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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Prayer Requests

Prayer requests for health and healing will remain in the bulletin for two weeks; however, you can renew your request – just let us know.

Health & Healing	Serving in the Military
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Michelle Bridgins -- surgery - Jay Dooley - Travis Muchow – (brain tumor) - Steve Remund – Multiple Myeloma (<i>cancer</i>) - Brent Baumann – heart surgery - Gloria Baumann – ALS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seth Bolon - Michael Dolly - Caitlyn Glover
Ministry	His Ark
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resurrection Lutheran Church - His Ark CCDC - Come and See - Dayspring - SF Lutheran School - Lutheran High School 	<p>Harper – parents Charity & Kyle Aubrey – parents Danielle & Jarod Josephine – parents Crystal & Terry</p> <p>Staff: Casandra Markley</p>

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Mark 16:6 – “And he said to them, ‘Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here.’ ” The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen, but that He is risen to bless us. There is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers, and He means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen; He is risen indeed!

Offering Statistics	March 29	YTD
Received	\$4,160.50	\$64,545.39
Budgeted	\$5,805.77	\$75,475.01
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$1,645.27)	(\$10,929.62)

APRIL BIRTHDAY'S	
Jillian Pierson	2-Apr
Roxanne Swab	4-Apr
Loghan Ham	5-Apr
Kyle Muchow	6-Apr
Alyssa Pierson	6-Apr
Kent Muller	8-Apr
Randy Erdman	9-Apr
Brody Muchow	9-Apr
Darcy Muller	9-Apr
Hayden Metz	10-Apr
Kati Saylor	10-Apr
Jason Glover	11-Apr
Caleb Bartel	18-Apr
Gregg Voigt	18-Apr
Joey Mackey	21-Apr
Katie Wald	24-Apr
Steven Remund	26-Apr
Dick Stempges	26-Apr
Andrew Christiansen	27-Apr
Albert Ng'andu Jr.	28-Apr
Ashley Erdman	29-Apr

April Anniversaries	
4-Apr	Jordan and Kimberly Barr
20-Apr	Ryan and Carol Buckneberg
12-Apr	Richard and Terri Kube
24-Apr	Kyle and Steph Muchow
18-Apr	Kent and Darcy Muller
24-Apr	Joe and Celeste Saylor

