



The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 4, 2021

Prelude

INVOCATION *(please stand)*

P: Christ yesterday and today,

C: beginning and the end,

P: Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages;

C: to him be glory and power, through every age and forever. Amen.

P: This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the awesome power of God. As we hear his word and proclaim all that God has done, we can be confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him forever.

C: Amen.

P: May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Lutheran Service Book 457

P: Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

OFFERING OF CONFESSION

P: Christ has risen and we have risen to new life with him. Yet we confess the ways we have continued to remain in our tombs of sin and death.

C: Living Lord, when we stand before the empty tomb we don't always feel the joy of resurrection. We feel fear, doubt, and distrust. We feel empty. Forgive the fear that paralyzes us at the brink of new life. Forgive our doubt of your love. Forgive our distrust of your surprising, joyous plan. Fill our emptiness with your glorious light. Raise us to abundant new life for the glory of your name.

GIFT OF ABSOLUTION

P: "Wake up, sleeper! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Family of God, Christ will lead us into righteousness. Christ has forgiven our sins. Christ calls us to new life.

C: Amen.

(please be seated)

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Amelia Rose & Eden Yonas

(congregational response at the invitation to confess our faith)

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and
sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of
sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(congregational response at the invitation to welcome the newly baptized)

**C: Amelia and Eden, we welcome you into the Lord's family. We pray that we will be an inspiration
to you, and that God will use you to be an inspiration to the world. We pray that our gracious
Heavenly Father will keep us all in His grace throughout our earthly journey. We receive you as a
fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His
kingdom. Amen.**

READINGS

A Reading from Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare
a feast of rich food for all peoples,
a banquet of aged wine—
the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷On this mountain he will destroy
the shroud that enfolds all peoples,
the sheet that covers all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears
from all faces;

he will remove his people's disgrace
from all the earth.

The LORD has spoken.

⁹In that day they will say,

"Surely this is our God;
we trusted in him, and he saved us.

This is the LORD, we trusted in him;
let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians 15

15 Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

⁹ For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. ¹¹ Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

A: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

16 When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶ "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

⁸ Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

A: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Hymn: He Is Arisen! Glorious Word

Lutheran Service Book 488

SERMON

PRAYERS

A: Lord in Your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

P: The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' They were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. The peace of the risen Christ be always with you

C: and also with you. Alleluia.

P: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

(You are invited to share a word and sign of peace with your neighbor).

P: Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise. As we are fed with the bread of heaven may we know your resurrection power; through Christ our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...speaking forever the hymn of your glory:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Savior has taught us.

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 for ever and ever. Amen.

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POST COMMUNION COLLECT

P: God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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