



Lutheran Church & Christian School



Festival of the Resurrection

April 9, 2023

Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!

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AS WE GATHER

Jesus had no epitaph. Buried in a borrowed tomb, no words were emblazoned across His grave. Instead, in His final hours, He paved a way through suffering with seven Words for life – remembered and recited throughout the ages – simple sentences, tiny touchstones along His way of sorrows to see us through our own. But behold! Jesus has one more, a Word – like the others – with a lasting impact, even now, for us. “Alleluia!” Christ has risen! Truly it is a Word that bestows life – now, for eternity.

PRELUDE

THE BELLS CALL GOD’S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

EASTER GREETING

OPENING PRAYER

✠ PREPARATION ✠

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

For 40 days, the praises of God’s people have been subdued, symbolized by burying our “Alleluia’s,” and by mourning the sin that brought about Jesus’ death. But now Jesus is alive! And so for the next 40 days the Paschal candle will burn to remind us that Jesus was visibly present for this long before He ascended into heaven.

From the Latin word “Pascha”, the Paschal candle relates to the ultimate mystery of our salvation. The candle used in worship, sometimes referred to as the “Christ candle,” is lit each Sunday of Easter until the Feast of the Ascension, symbolizing Christ’s departure to heaven. Following the Ascension, the candle is relit at every Baptism and funeral, thus symbolizing the gift of new life in Jesus that comes to us through. Through God’s gift of life in Christ, He will welcome His children home.

CALL TO WORSHIP

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| Pastor: | The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ ✠ the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be and abide with you all. |
| Congregation: | Amen. |

Pastor: Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Congregation: The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: "If you continue in My Word, you are truly My disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

Congregation: The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: "The Word that goes forth from My mouth shall not return to me empty," says the Lord. "It shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it."

Congregation: The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Christ is risen. He is risen, indeed!

Congregation: Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

LSB 457, St. 1-2, 4

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!
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!
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!
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!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

✠ WORD ✠

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: 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.

Congregation: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND BLESSING

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Exodus 15:1-11 (The Song of Moses.)*

¹ Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying,

"I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.

² The LORD is my strength and my song,
and He has become my salvation;
this is my God, and I will praise Him,
my father's God, and I will exalt Him.

³ The LORD is a man of war; the LORD is His name.

⁴ "Pharaoh's chariots and his host He cast into the sea,
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.

⁵ The floods covered them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.

⁶ Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

⁷ In the greatness of Your majesty You overthrow Your adversaries;
You send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble.

- ⁸ At the blast of Your nostrils the waters piled up;
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.
- ⁹ The enemy said, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake,
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.
I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.’
- ¹⁰ You blew with Your wind; the sea covered them;
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.
- ¹¹ “Who is like You, O LORD, among the gods?
Who is like You, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (Our resurrection hope.)*

¹ Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy 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 toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM “Crown Him Lord, This Easter Day” *(by Don Besig and Nancy Price)*
Sung by Pauline Brusco and Carol Kay

READING OF THE EASTER GOSPEL John 20:1-9 *(The resurrection of Jesus.)*

Pastor: The Gospel, according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

Congregation: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him.” ³So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise from the dead.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED *Nicene Creed* *(Please see PowerPoint or back of hymnal.)*

HYMN OF THE DAY “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain” *LSB 487, St.1-3*

For this and all subsequent hymns, please see PowerPoint of the hymnal.

SERMON

Notes:

HYMN OF RESPONSE “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”

LSB 487, St. 5

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Each petition is concluded with the following response:

Pastor: Let us ask our loving Lord:

Congregation: Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O risen Savior.

Special petitions and praises are now offered.

Pastor: Living Lord Jesus, You bid us to go forth confidently with Easter faith and a deathless and endless hallelujah; we will do just that, in the power of Your Holy Spirit and as a witness to the world. **AMEN.**

OFFERING

For those desiring to leave an offering, an offering plate will be placed in the rear of the sanctuary. You may leave your offering as you depart this morning's worship.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERTORY "On the Third Day" (Words & Music by Matt Maher & Marc Byrd © 2006 spiritandsong.com | Meaux Mercy | Storm Boy Music | Thankyou Music)

Verse 1: Solo

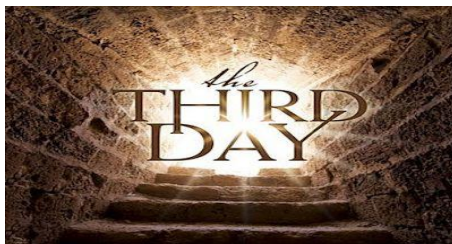
Verse 2: The winter's chill, a bitter cold as sin and shame leave us to fall.
The clouds now full of newborn snow for grace to come and save us all.
Within the darkest night of man was found Your saving hand.
For ev'rything must die and rise again.

Chorus 1: *On the third day, behold, the King. On the third day death has no sting.
On the third day we're forgiven and reconciled.*

Verse 3: The earth it groans in labor pains as flowers stretch to heav'n above,
Your creatures sing the prophet's song to be a gift of selfless love.
The sun is rising in the east, and Your Spirit is unleashed.
For ev'ry thing must die and rise again. (Chorus 1)

Verse 4: And so we wait in joyful hope for You to come and take us home;
And so we join beneath the cross in suffering from whence we go.
The greatest act of sov'reign grace in the universe displayed.
Where ev'ry thing must die and rise again. (*Chorus 1*)

*Chorus 2: On the third day, the saints rejoice.
 On the third day, we lift our voice.
 On the third day, we're united and glorified.*



✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *Colossians 3:1*

Congregation: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*

Congregation: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. Most especially are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with the women at the tomb, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB p. 171



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

Congregation: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

Please see PowerPoint or back of the hymnal.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD

LSB 550

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

For those desiring to receive the LORD’S SUPPER today, please refer to the laminated card in the pew racks. Those not receiving Communion are still invited to come forward for a blessing. At the Communion rail, simply bow your head to receive a blessing.

At the time of Communion, please follow the direction of the ushers. For those receiving the individual cups, a non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Following the passing of the individual cups, the common cup is offered for those who wish to commune in that manner.

All who are communing are encouraged to review the Sacrament of the Altar on pp. 326-327, and the Questions on pp. 329-330, in the front of the hymnal. Once again, we thank God for all who worship here today.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

LSB 633

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

LSB p. 164



■ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev’ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, in the Meal, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage, that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

Pastor: 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.

Congregation: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Now Let the Glorious News Be Heard" [TUNE: LSB 493]

1. Now let the glorious news be heard, the triumph of the living Word.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
No more forsaken, see Him stand, delivered by the Father's hand.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. His holy thirst and thorn-crowned brow are left behind in triumph now.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
The King has opened wide our eyes to view our home in paradise.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. Where death's dread silence reigned before, Christ shouts triumphant evermore.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my sure words shall last for aye."
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING “The Lord, My God, Be Praised” *LSB 794, St. 1*

♪ The Lord, my God, be praised, my light, my life from heaven;
My maker, who to me has soul and body given;
My Father, who will shield and keep me day by day
And make each moment yield new blessings on my way. Amen! ♪

DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE

Pastor: Redeemed and restored,
Congregation: **We are rejoicing in Jesus.**

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Trinity Calendar for April 9—April 16, 2023

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| Sunday | 6:00 am | Easter Sunrise Service w/ Holy Communion |
| | 7:30 am | Breakfast |
| | 9:00 am | Bible Study (No Sunday School) |
| | 10:30 am | Easter Sunday Worship w/ Holy Communion |
| Monday | 6:30 pm | Executive Team Meeting |
| Tuesday | 5:00 pm | Men’s Wings Bible Study: <i>“Gospel of John”</i> |
| Wednesday | 8:45 am | TCS Chapel |
| Thursday | 10:00 am | Bible Study: <i>“Book of Matthew”</i> |
| Friday | | |
| Saturday | 8:00 am | Men of Christ Bible Study: <i>“The Truth Project”</i> |
| Sunday | 9:00 am | Bible Study & Sunday School |
| | 10:30 am | Worship w/ Holy Communion |



EASTER FLOWERS

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Given by:

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Abby & Pauline Brusco
Ted & Wanda Chabott
Patty Cobb

June Derjue
Elisha Harkey
Jim & Jean Henderson
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Cynthea Herried
The Randall & Kensey families
Mike & Gloria Stewart
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Greg Wilks

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Abby & Pauline Brusco
Tom & Sharon Ricks

In Memory of:

Ralph Beckwith
George Stephen Benouski
Rev. Stephen Brusco
Betty Chabott & Jim Schumann
Kathleen & Stafford Ransome
Mabel & Floyd Frederick
Daniel Savukouski
Loved ones

Our loved ones
Ruth B. Carey
Robert J. Lariviere, Jr.
David Rajaniemi
Curt Dean &
Bill McNally
Loved ones
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To the Glory of God:

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In Thankfulness to God for:

Pastor Brusco sharing his faith in Jesus
The Harkey's and the Knapp's

ATTENDANCE 4-2-23: 103

Families of the week: *The Silegy, the Smith & the Sommerville families*

Birthdays:

- 9 April—Megan Geer
- 9 April—Tommy Randall
- 10 April—Katy Traquair

Anniversaries:

- 13 April—Bob & Marlene Dabrowski



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*A Life affirming ministry that shares the love and truth of Jesus Christ with
our community offering free pregnancy related resources with compassion and respect.*

Easter Blessings for everyone. God is clearly blessing His ministry of the PRC. As usual, with the growing numbers of clients coming we are in need of volunteers. The hours are 11:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Our days are Monday through Thursday. You may choose only one day, which would be helpful. We have a Keene State College student who has expressed an interest in volunteering. Taking the steps in contacting KSC is beginning to pay off. Our ultrasounds are now expanded to three days a week (Monday, Tuesdays and Thursdays).

The PRC has been invited to the Monadnock Region Community Health Fair on Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 11:00 am thru 7:00 pm at the Best Western in Keene, NH. Come visit us at our booth and meet some of our volunteers and staff.

Please pray for our medical director candidates. They have a heart for Jesus and love of babies and families. We have two moms due the end of April. We also have an abortion vulnerable couple who truly need our prayers.

Please contact the PRC by phone, email or standard mail as above. We thank you all for your continued prayers and support. Stay tuned . . . there is a big announcement coming before the end of April.

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