

## **The Resurrection of Our Lord**

**March 31, 2024**

### **A Startling New Reality!**

**As We Gather** - Those who followed Jesus from Galilee to Jerusalem had hopes and fears, but their experience was within what they expected. So, Isaiah's prophecy, which we shall hear again today, was one of those things that didn't seem to apply, for it was too much of a change to take seriously. And the news from the angel at the tomb went far beyond that! Life after death challenged every understanding so directly that the women were startled into fear-driven silence—at least for a time. That very day others would hear the news and soon many would see Jesus Himself, as Paul tells us in the Epistle. Today is a day to embark on a life based on the startling new reality that death is not the final word for anyone with faith in Christ. How then shall we live before we see Him ourselves?

**Offering and Registry of Worship Cards:** Please fill out a Registry of Worship Card found in the pew racks. We ask that you print the names of every person in your family, indicating if they take communion. One side of the card is for members and the other side for guests. As the offering is collected, pass the cards to the center aisle so our ushers can gather them.

**Saturday Worship:** Offerings and Worship Cards will be received in the offering plates at the rear of the church either upon entering or when leaving. Thank you for your gift to the work of the Lord.

**About Protecting the Healthy:** To protect yourself and others from COVID-19 and other infectious respiratory diseases, individuals may choose to mask at any time. Appropriate hand washing by everyone is encouraged. People with symptoms of an infectious illness are highly encouraged to stay home. Symptoms include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Thank you for helping to keep everyone healthy as we receive God's gifts in worship.

**GENERALLY, BE MINDFUL, NOT FEARFUL.**

**Prelude and Meditation:** Before worship we talk to God (see prayers on page 308 in the hymnal); during worship God talks to us; after worship we talk to one another.

**Prelude:**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
The Greeting and Sharing of Peace *(stand)*

## PREPARATION

*Psalm 118:24*

### Opening Sentences

**P** The light of Christ!

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

**P** All of you choirs of angels and saints in heaven before us:

**C** **Rejoice at Christ's victory over death.**

**P** Now, heaven and earth, even all of creation:

**C** **Rejoice, for the eternal darkness has been defeated.**

**P** Rejoice, brothers and sisters in Christ both here and around the world!

**C** **Our Lord has kept all God's promises!**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**P** This is the day that the Lord has made;

**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!**

### Hymn:

### Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

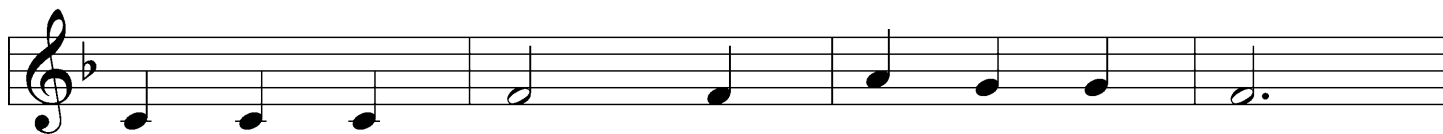
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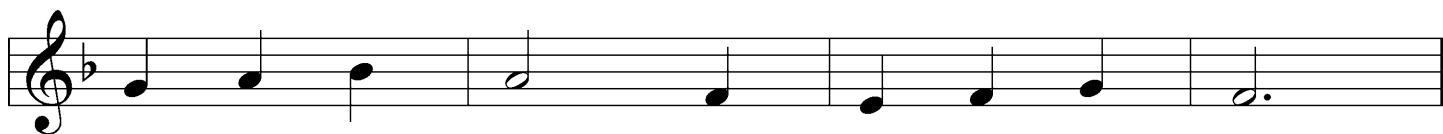
1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.  
2 For three long days the grave did its worst  
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!  
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;  
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



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.

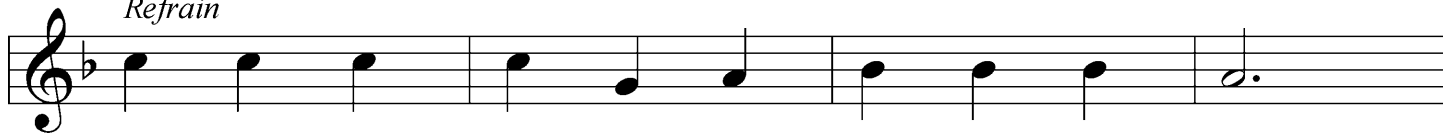


For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,  
 He who gives life did death un - der - go;  
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;  
 Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;  
 Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;

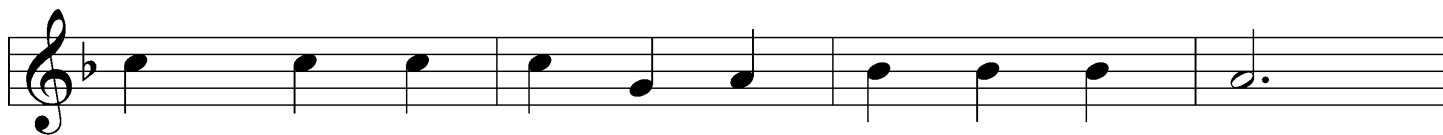


E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.  
 And in its con - quest His might did show.  
 On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there.”  
 E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won.”  
 He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

*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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*Stand*

**Invocation**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

**P** We cannot enter God's presence as we are. Our sinful condition falls short of the glory of God. Let us therefore give voice to those sins, confessing our faults and failures to one another and to God Himself.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Rejoice and be glad! God has not merely overlooked your faults; He has not missed your failures; and He knows the frailty of the human condition. Rather, He became one of us as Jesus, who died to pay for every sin or yours and your sinfulness itself. Jesus not only paid the penalty; on this day our heavenly Father proclaimed to all the world that He accepted the payment. Your sins are forgiven indeed!

In the stead and by the command of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore 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!

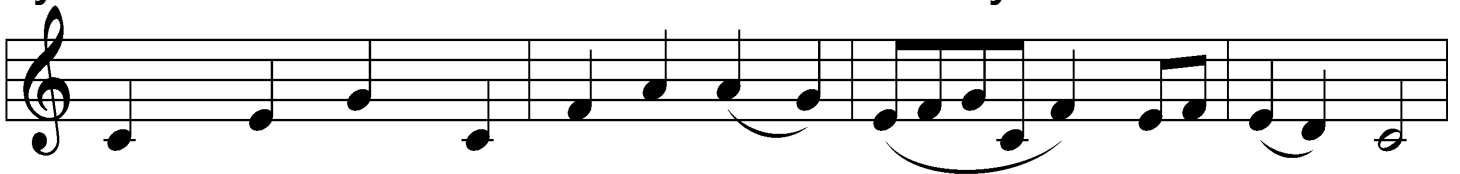
**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## WORD

Hymn:

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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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!

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## Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

- 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.
- C** **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;**
- P** through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading***Isaiah 25:6–9*

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,  
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

<sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain  
the covering that is cast over all peoples,  
the veil that is spread over all nations.

<sup>8</sup>He will swallow up death forever;  
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,  
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,  
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.  
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle***1 Corinthians 15:1–11*

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

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

**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 sixteenth chapter.**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, "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. <sup>7</sup>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." <sup>8</sup>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.**

Sit

**Children's Sermon****1007 See, What a Morning (Resurrection Hymn)**

1 See, what a morning, gloriously bright,  
 With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;  
 Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,  
 As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"  
 See God's salvation plan,  
 Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,  
 Fulfilled in Christ, the Man,  
 For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

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- 2 See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"  
 As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;  
 Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;  
 It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!  
 The voice that spans the years,  
 Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,  
 Will sound till He appears,  
 For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!
- 3 One with the Father, Ancient of Days,  
 Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.  
 Honor and blessing, glory and praise  
 To the King crowned with pow'r and authority!  
 And we are raised with Him,  
 Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;  
 And we shall reign with Him,  
 For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

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**Sermon:** **"Who Will Do the Heavy Lifting?"**  
**Mark 16:1-8**

**Catechism**

*The Second Article*

**C** I believe 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 thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

- P** What does this mean?  
**C** I believe that Jesus Christ,  
**I** true God, begotten of the Father from eternity,  
**II** and also true man, born of the virgin Mary,

**C** is my Lord,



- I** *who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;*
- II** *not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,*
- C** **that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.**

*Stand*

### **Prayer of the Church**

- P** Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. He lives to intercede for us before the Father. With confidence, let us present to God our petitions for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus.

For the holy Christian Church throughout the world, that it may be found without fault at the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For all believers in the Lord Jesus that their lives may testify to His resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For the peace of the whole world, that a spirit of respect may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For those in positions of public trust in all levels of government, that they may serve justice and promote the welfare and dignity of every person, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For all who suffer because of poverty, persecution, or sickness, [*especially . . .*], and all others we name in our hearts [*silence*], that they may know the healing power of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For those who grieve because of the death of their loved ones, [*especially . . .*], that through the sure hope of the resurrection of Christ, God would wipe away the tears from their eyes and give them comfort, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth God's glory in all that we do, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who come this day to the feast of our Lord's body and blood, that their faith be strengthened, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Sit*

**Choir Anthem: (Sunday Worship) "Love Rolled The Stone Away"**  
**Gathering of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Registry of Worship Cards** - *Please pass your completed cards to the center aisle.*

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**SACRAMENT**

**Preface**

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**P** The Lord be with you.



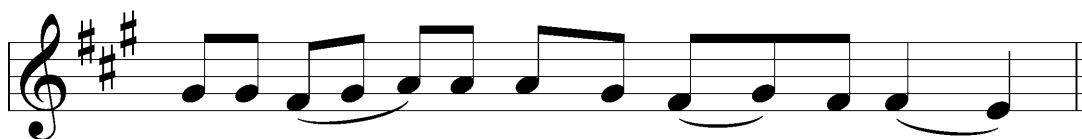
**C** And al-so with you.

**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.

### Proper Preface

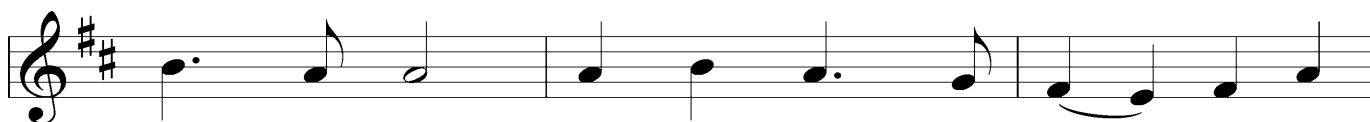
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was 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 Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, 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:

### Sanctus

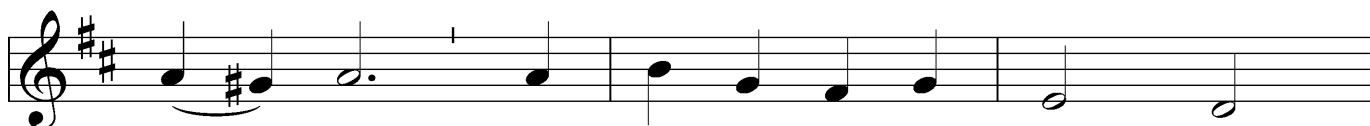
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**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You did not spare Your only Son, but gave Him into death that we might have life. Though we cannot understand Your love or comprehend eternity, we lift our voices in thanksgiving and pray You to strengthen us through this Sacrament to serve as Your witnesses.

**C** **Give us opportunity, use our gifts, and move us by Your Holy Spirit to tell the news of Jesus' victory over death each day that You give us for loving service.**

**P** 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 Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Proclamation of Christ

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** 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

**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.

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

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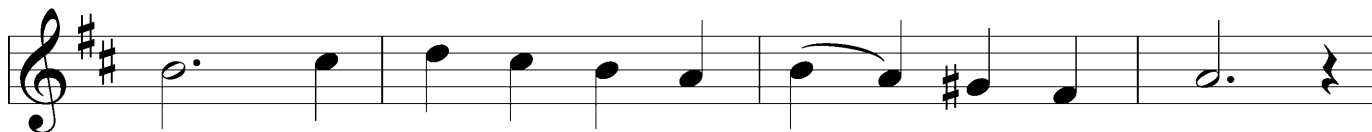
**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



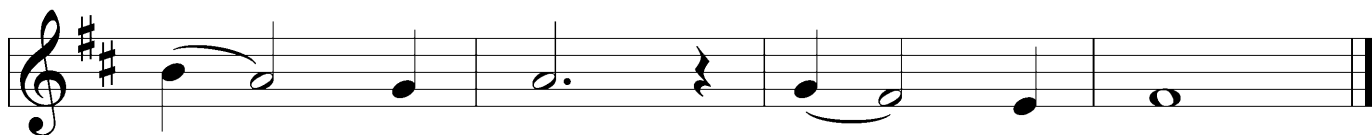
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

## Distribution:

### *Distribution Hymns*

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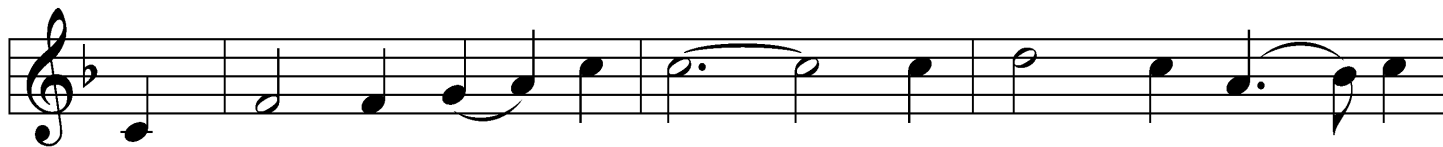
LSB 475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

**Hymn:****Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace**

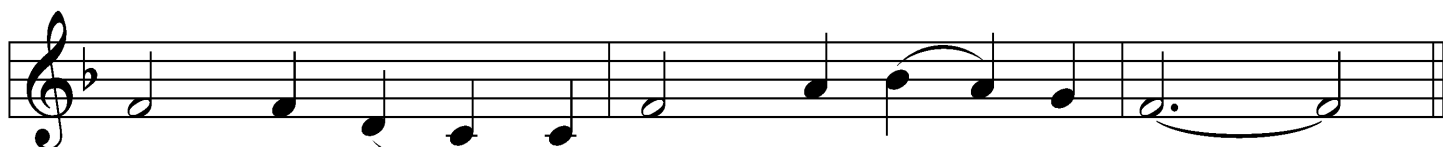
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1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,  
 2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,  
 △ 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,



Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -  
 The Gen - tiles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing  
 To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.  
 in our midst, The joy of Is - ra - el.  
 Spir - it blest Be hon - or, love, and praise.

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**Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, that You have refreshed us through this gift of life, forgiveness, and salvation. Strengthen us by this Sacrament to announce this gracious Good News so that many may join us at the Lamb's high feast; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Benediction**

**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.

**Closing Hymn:****Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven**

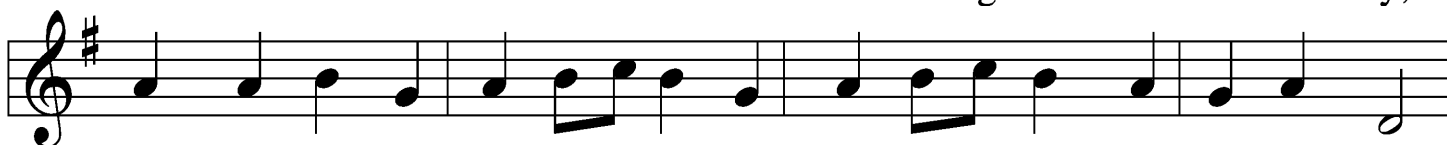
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1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:  
 Δ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



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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**Dismissal**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**P** Go in peace as you serve our living Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Postlude:

Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series B, Quarter 2.  
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## LEADING AND ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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**Lector** ..... Steve Rosane  
**Greeter** ..... Dave and Lora Wacker  
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## LEADING AND ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

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**Greeter** ..... Joann Shepker  
**Audio** ..... Kim Kaniecki  
**Video** ..... Video TD: Kris Welch  
GFX: / Stream: Robin Fox  
**Altar Guild** ..... Kim Kaniecki and Dawn Peters



## **ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS FROM LAST WEEK**

Wednesday Lent Service 3/20 .....	35
Saturday Worship Attendance.....	46
Sunday Worship Attendance.....	121
Envelope and Loose Plate Offerings .....	\$0
Simply Giving/Vanco.....	\$0
Paypal Offerings .....	\$0
Website (ShareFaith).....	\$0
<b>Total of Offerings Received</b> .....	<b>\$0</b>
Misc. Income, Memorials and Special Gifts.....	\$0

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH- Resurrection of Our Lord** – The Scriptures do not limit the sanctity of human life to a few isolated passages. Almighty God has made survival and salvation, abundant and everlasting, the point of the whole story. He intends His resurrection to encompass and affect every member of our race and every moment of our existence, from fertilization to forever. This is nothing less than the Gospel of the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)!

**FLOWER SPONSOR** – Barbara Szymanski is the Flower Sponsor this week.

**BULLETIN SPONSOR** – Barbara Szymanski is the Bulletin Sponsor this week.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR**– No Fellowship Hour today. Team 1 will serve next week.

**OUTREACH MEETING** – The Outreach Committee will meet this Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**CANCELLED - PRIVATE COMMUNION AND BIBLE STUDY**– Private Communion and Thursday Bible Study are cancelled this week and next week.

**RECIPES WANTED BY APRIL 7TH** - Mary Martha is collecting favorite recipes for the Church Cookbook. If you have a favorite recipe and would be willing to share it, please write it legibly, sign your name on it and put it in the box located in the Narthex. There is no limit to number of recipes you can submit. Deadline is April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON** – On Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> after the service, the Board of Stewardship would like to take the opportunity to show the church's appreciation of the volunteers who serve. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for a luncheon (fried chicken, sides, and cake), where you can either help us thank these people; or come and give us the opportunity to thank YOU! (No free will offering necessary).

**LWML ZONE RALLY** – The LWML Winter Haven Spring Zone Rally will be held on Saturday, April 13. Mary Martha and Christ Lutheran are the hosts for this rally! Our rally theme will be “Jars of Clay,” 2 Corinthians 4: 7 which reads, “But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.” This will also be the theme for our Florida/Georgia District convention to be held in Orlando, Sept 13-15. The Winter Haven Zone is responsible for the decorations for the convention and we will be working on items at the rally. Our “Gifts from the Heart,” for this Zone rally will be socks and undies for the Honduras Orphan children! There is a box in the Narthex to bring these gifts and the other Churches in our zone will also be asked to bring their own gifts from the heart. Carlos Orellana will give us a presentation on the Central American Missions! We need boy’s and girl’s underwear and socks, all sizes! These need to be new and packaged with sizes on the package. Thank you for your sacrifice for these beautiful children!

**MARY MARTHA QUILTERS** – The Mary Martha Quilters meet each Tuesday morning from 10 AM – Noon. Anyone who would like to join them is welcomed.

**SATURDAY LECTORS NEEDED** – If you would be willing to volunteer to serve as a lector during the Saturday Service, please contact the church office at 682-7802.

**USED HEARING AIDS:** Used hearing aids can be donated. Place them in the Munz mailbox in the church mailroom. Pastor Jerry Munz collects them and takes them to the Lakeland Hearing Center. If you want a tax receipt be sure to ask Pastor Jerry to get one for you.

**DREAM CENTER VOLUNTEERS** – Volunteers are needed to help check- in and sort items here at Christ Lutheran for the Dream Center. Please see or contact Robin Fox at 863-513-4774 to schedule a day and time to volunteer.

**CHECK YOUR MAILBOX** – Please check your mailbox in the narthex.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** – For those that are not aware, our church member directory is now available online. Please see the flyer sheets in the narthex for more information or email Kim Kaniecki at [stewardship@clclakeland.org](mailto:stewardship@clclakeland.org).

**TRUSTEE VOLUNTEER DAY** – Every Tuesday from 9 am – 1 pm. If you would like to help with the various needs of the church, come join us. A job, whether large or small can be found to help with. If you notice something you think needs attention, come let us know. Thanks for helping.

**NAMETAGS** – We would like to encourage all our members to please wear their nametags to church. If you can’t find your nametag or don’t have one, please sign-up for one on the bulletin board in the Narthex of the church.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER - John 20:1 – “Now on the first day of the week ...”** All is made new by the resurrection of Jesus! Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament’s Sabbath (Saturday) to the Lord’s Day of the New Testament (Sunday). For the Lord has made all things new: In rising from the dead as the new Adam, He has begun a new week for a new creation. We are also made new in Him — a new heart, a new life, new desires, a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our risen Lord’s grace. Especially after the sort of year we’ve had since last Easter, it sure is good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh!

**THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN**

Tuesday .....Pastor – Online Training thru Thursday  
 Trustee Workday @ 9 am  
 Quilters @ 10 am  
 Outreach Meeting @ 5:30 pm

Wednesday ..... Dream Center @ Christ Lutheran  
**No** Private Communion  
 Jr. Confirmation @ 7 pm  
 Choir @ 7 pm

Thursday ..... **No** Bible Study

Friday..... Church Office closed, Pastor’s Day Off

Saturday.....Bible Study @ 4 pm  
 Worship @ 5:30 pm

Sunday.....Bible Study @ 8:30 am  
 Worship Service @ 10 am  
 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

