

Easter Sunrise Service

March 31, 2024

This Is the Day

As We Gather - At last! The day of Easter is finally here! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! The darkness of death is now overwhelmed by the light of Christ's resurrection victory. Satan stands defeated, and death is destroyed. The enemy no longer has power over Christ Jesus, nor does he have claim over your life either! As you bow in faith before Jesus and rise to sing your praises to Him early this Easter morning, may the joy of this day inspire you to find joy in your Savior every day. New beginnings start at the empty tomb, and there's no better way to begin our Easter celebration than at the break of day, joining together to sing the praises of Him who died yet was raised to life again. "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24).

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.

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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

Hymn of Invocation:

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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△ Please stand after a brief interlude



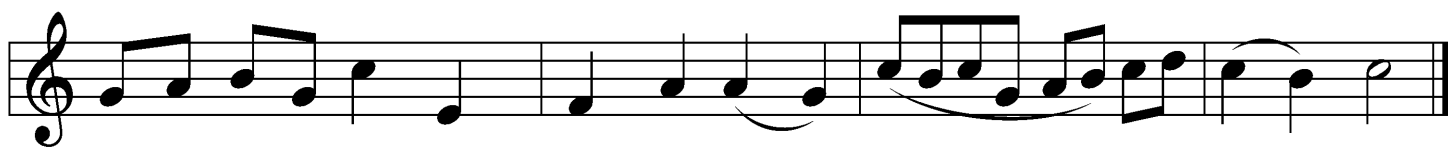
1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
△ 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



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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Please remain standing

Opening Sentences

Psalm 118:24

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.**

Invocation

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

C **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on the promises of God's Word.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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.**

P As we bow before You in faith at the break of day, we take refuge in the mercy You provide for us through Your Son's victory over sin, death, and the grave.

C **Forgive us, renew us, and lead us. Enliven us by Your Spirit. Fill our hearts with joy that we may walk by faith this day and always to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has raised Christ from the dead and crowned Him with glory and honor. Because the risen King has conquered death and delivered us from our sins, we stand forgiven in His sight. As your pastor, it is my joy this Easter morning to 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

Introit

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b

P I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;

C **the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.**

P The LORD is my strength and my song,

C **and He has become my salvation.**

P Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power,

C **Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.**

P You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed;

C **You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode.**

P You will bring them in and plant them on Your own mountain,

C **the place, O LORD, which You have made for Your abode,**

P the sanctuary, O Lord, which Your hands have established.

C **The LORD will reign forever and ever.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;

C **the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea.**

Kyrie

P Risen Redeemer,

C **have mercy upon us.**

P Conquering King,

C **have mercy upon us.**

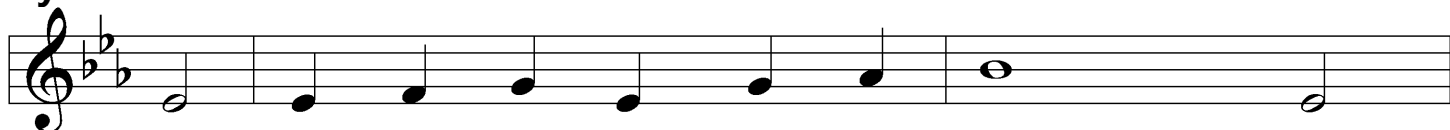
P Victorious Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C **grant us Your peace.**

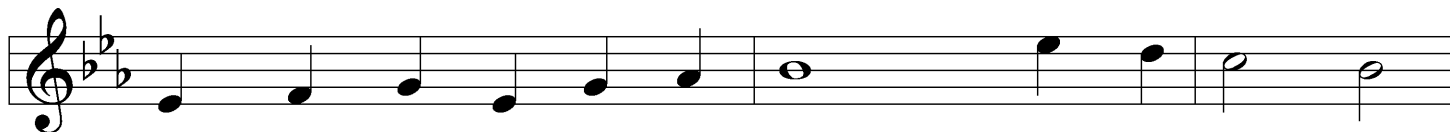
Hymn:

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

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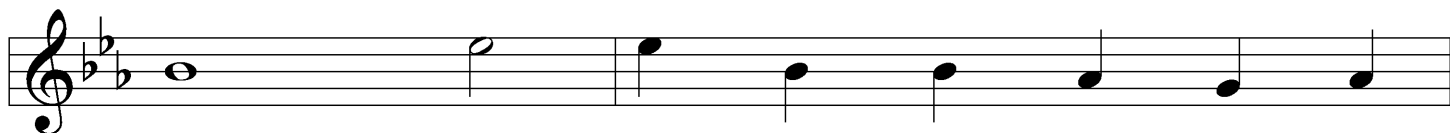
1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
 3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set
 Δ 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



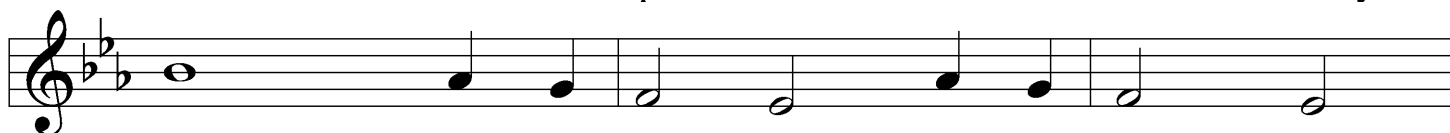
praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!



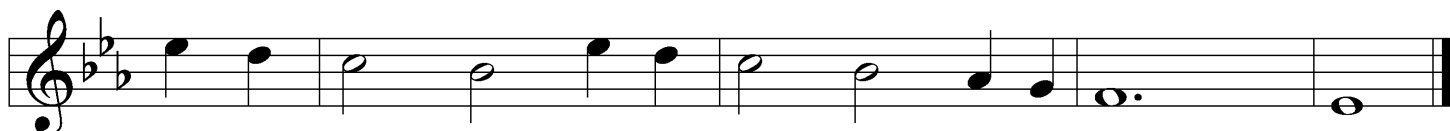
He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 life And by His pres - ence stills all
 day That by our lives we tru - ly
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, 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, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You defeated death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life.

C **Take away all gloom and sadness, and fill us with the joy of His resurrection victory;**

P through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 15:1–11

¹Then 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.

²The 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.

³The 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.

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

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

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

⁸At 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.

⁹The 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.'

¹⁰You 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?"

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 5:6b–8

Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? ⁷Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Verse

2 Timothy 1:10b

P Alleluia. Christ Jesus abolished death

C **and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

John 20:1–18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C **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,⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself.⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed;⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb.¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet.¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him."¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus.¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Creed

Apostles' Creed

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 thence 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.

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!

- 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:

**"Whom Are You Seeking?"
John 20:1-18**

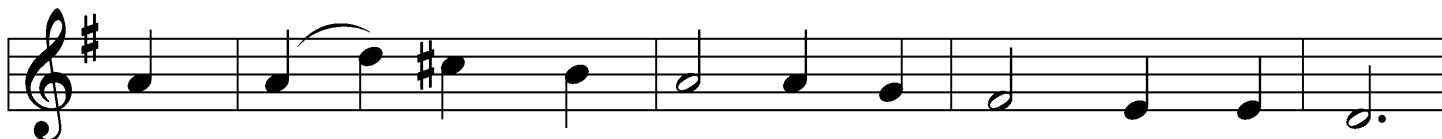
Hymn:

He's Risen, He's Risen

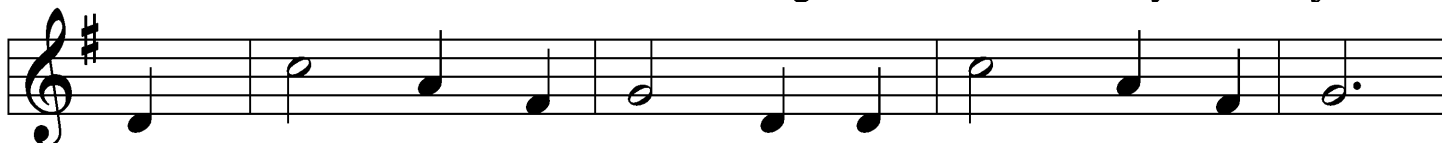
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1 He's ris - en, He's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;
 2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry
 3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,
 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
 △ 5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate, true Word.
 The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.
 And death, hell, and Sa - tan He van - quished, His foes.
 Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.
 Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song
 In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,
 The con - quer - ing Lord lifts His ban - ner on high;
 For all our trans - gres - sions His blood does a - tone;
 Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:



And earth, sea, and moun - tain their prais - es pro - long.
 For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.
 He lives, yes, He lives, and will nev - er - more die.
 Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are His own.
 With Fa - ther and Spir - it He ev - er shall reign.

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Sit

Choir Anthem: (Sunday Sunrise) "He Is Risen"

Gathering of Our Tithes and Offerings

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

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray.

Gracious Father, You have made this day to be a day of rejoicing! As Your sons and daughters, we rejoice before You as we stand at the empty tomb of Your Son. Much like the ancient children of Israel rejoiced before You after You led them through the Red Sea and drowned their enemies who pursued them, we praise You for the deliverance You have given us from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. You provide well, O God, for all of our needs of body and soul, and we entrust the cares of our personal lives, our families, our community, and our congregation to You. Because Jesus lives, victorious over death and the grave, we are confident that there is no obstacle that can ever keep us from experiencing the life and love You give. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer and fill us with Your joy!

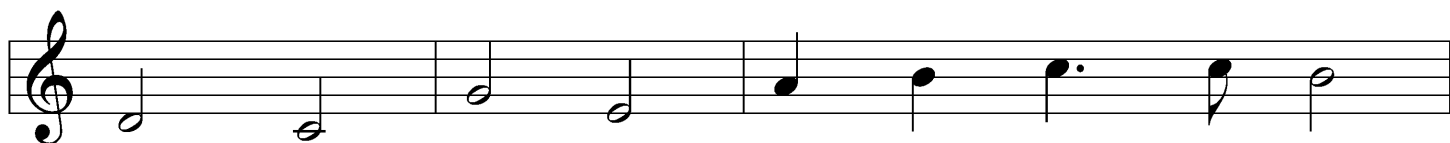
Hymn:

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

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1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -
2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er
Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is



scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.

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P Conquering King, by Your rising to new life from the grave on Easter morning, You shattered the rod that oppressed us and the burden that weighed us down. You lifted the curse of death from our backs and set us free from the chains that once had bound us. Risen Redeemer, because You have set us free, we are free indeed! Help us to live in the freedom, joy, and peace of Your resurrection victory. Satan has no authority over us because we have been named and claimed by You in the water of Baptism, which unites us to Your saving death and resurrection. Because You live, we shall live also—now, by faith, and on the future Day of resurrection, we shall live face to face with You in Your eternal kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer and fill us with Your joy!**

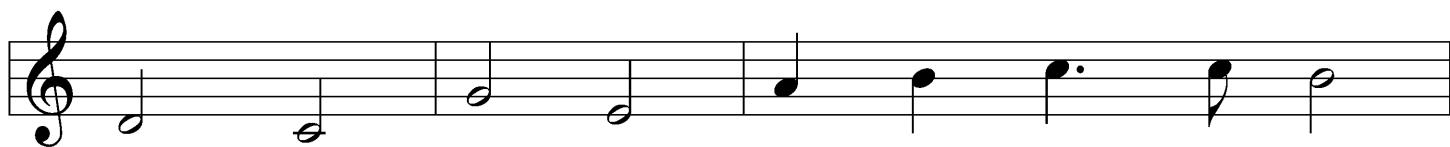
Hymn:

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

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3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus
4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall



liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,
sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell



Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I
Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will



need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.

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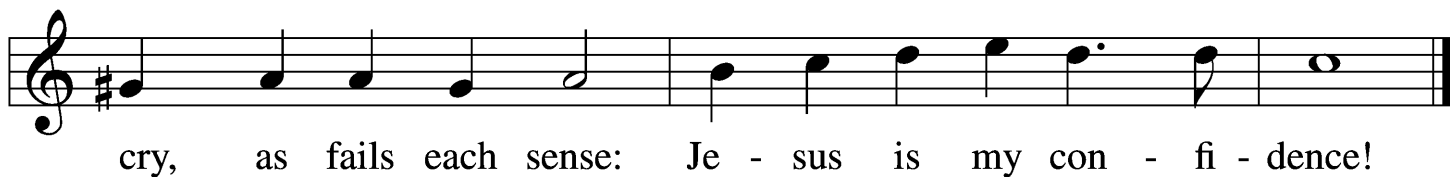
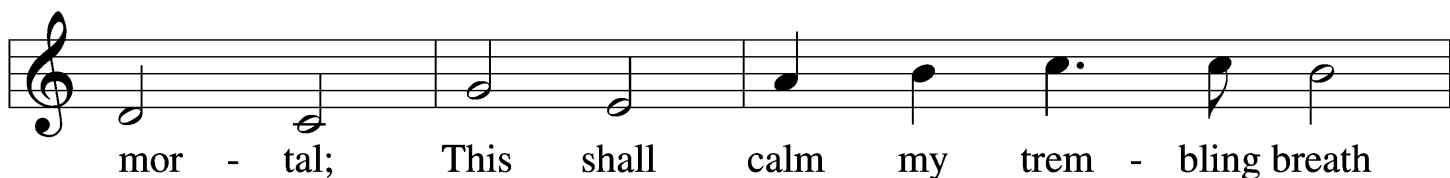
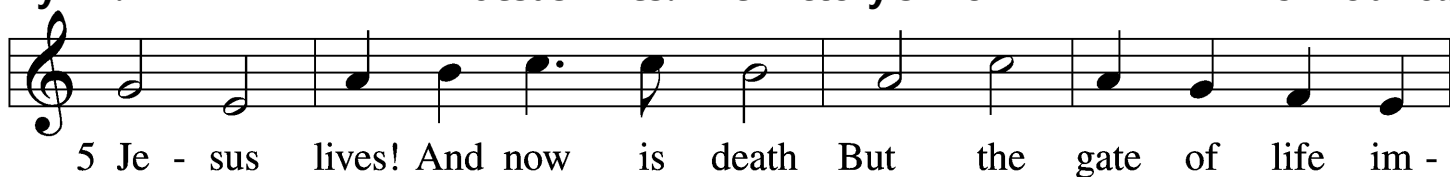
P Renewing Spirit of truth, grant joy to all who receive Your Word this day. With hearts restored and minds at peace, help us to cling to Jesus and hold fast to His promises. We pray for all who are sick and troubled, weary and downtrodden, [*especially...*]. Be their sure defense and help them to know that nothing can ever sever them from You, O Lord! All we need, You will dispense, for Jesus is our confidence. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer and fill us with Your joy!**

Hymn:

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

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Stand

P Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our living Lord, who remembers us in His kingdom and teaches 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.**

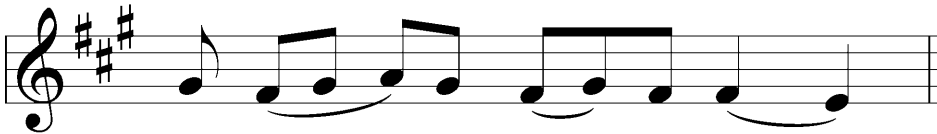
Preface

P The Lord be with you.



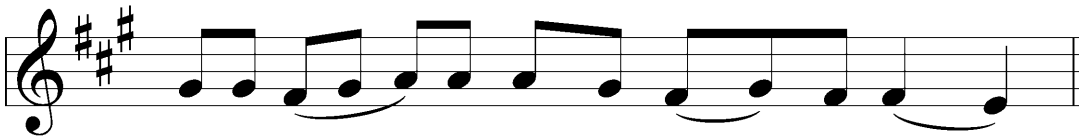
C And al-so with you.

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 our duty and delight at all times and in every place to give You praise and thanksgiving, O Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose resurrection from the dead has shown that He is the victor over sin and the grave and that all who trust in Him shall be raised from death to everlasting life. As He has cast off the veil of sin and its darkness, bring us into the light of His presence, where we shall feast with anticipation upon the bread of life and the cup of salvation until that day when we shall be reunited with those who have gone before and sing Your praise in heaven. Remembering the apostles and evangelists to whom our Lord appeared and whose witness has delivered to us the Good News of His resurrection, we join with angels and archangels and the whole company of the saints in light in their unending hymn of praise:

Sanctus

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. 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

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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."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Sit

Distribution:

Distribution Hymns

LSB 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

Stand

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P Let us pray.

O Lord God, heavenly Father, Ruler of all things, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come through this blessed Meal. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having now received this wondrous Sacrament, we die daily through Baptism and rise new and restored as we joyfully continue our earthly pilgrimage until that time when we are gathered into Your heavenly kingdom to share in Your glory for all eternity. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C **Amen.**

Closing Sentences

Psalm 118:23–24

P This is the LORD's doing;

C **it is marvelous in our eyes.**

P This is the day that the LORD has made;

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

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.

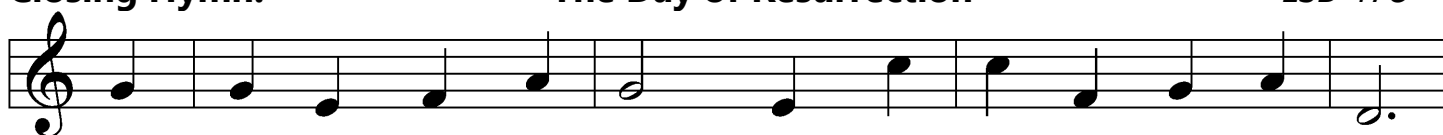
Easter Acclamation

- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

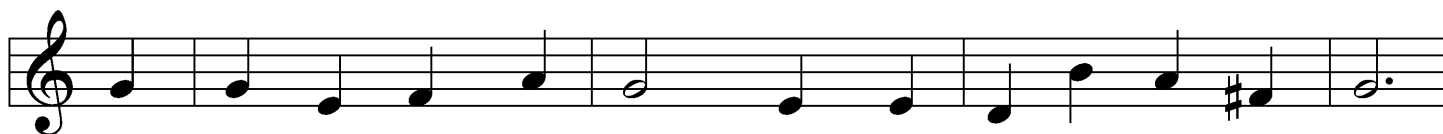
Closing Hymn:

The Day of Resurrection

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- 1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil That we may see a - right
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, Let earth its song be - gin,
△ 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, All praise to God the Son,



The pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The pass - o - ver of God.
The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light
Let all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - in.
All praise to God the Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, From sin's do - min - ion free,
And, lis - t'ning to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things, seen and un - seen, Their notes of glad - ness blend;
Let all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be - fore the throne



Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.
His own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.
For Christ the Lord has ris - en, Our joy that has no end!
And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry As - cribe to God a - lone!

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Lector Steve Rosane
Greeter Dave and Lora Wacker
Audio Maria Hazzard
Video Video TD: Josiah Hazzard
GFX/ Stream: Andrea Hazzard
Altar Guild Alfred and Barbara Miller

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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
Total of Offerings Received	\$0
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.

EASTER BREAKFAST TODAY – There will be an Easter Breakfast immediately following the Sunrise Service provided by Council, Elders and Volunteers. Menu; Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, and Fruit Cocktail.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Volunteers are needed to help clean up after the Easter Breakfast this morning. Any help would be appreciated.

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

OUTREACH MEETING – The Outreach Committee will meet this Tuesday, April 2nd, 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 7th.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON – On Sunday, April 7th 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.

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

TuesdayPastor – 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

SaturdayBible Study @ 4 pm
 Worship @ 5:30 pm

SundayBible Study @ 8:30 am
 Worship Service @ 10 AM
 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon