## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Easter Sunday

→ The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord →

March 31, 2024

#### CHRIST'S RESURRECTION MEANS OUR RESURRECTION

"Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed" (1 Cor. 5:7). By the shed blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, eternal death has passed over us. Now we pass with Christ through death into life everlasting. For Christ the crucified One is risen! The stone has been rolled away from the tomb, revealing that the tomb could not hold Him (Mark 16:1–8). Now our Redeemer lives eternally to save us from sin and Satan and the grave, and we can live in the sure hope of our own bodily resurrection with Christ. "After my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God" (Job 19:26). Feasting on the living Christ, who is our meat and drink indeed, we boldly say: "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? . . . But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:54–55, 57).

## Communing at this Altar

The Lord's Supper is celebrated and offered here every Lord's day!

\*Guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament now, and in the future, are asked to meet with the pastor before communing.

Because we consider communing at this altar a public declaration of fellowship in what our church believes, teaches, and confesses, we welcome to commune those who:

- ♦ are baptized into the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Mt 28:19);
- tonfess Jesus Christ as their personal Savior from sin;
- ♥ discern the Lord's Body and Blood as truly present, together with the bread and wine (1 Cor 11:29), as taught by The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in the Small Catechism;
- examine themselves and repent, as instructed in the Scriptures (1 Cor 11:28);
- believe the words of Jesus, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" (Mt 26:28); If this is **not** your confession, or you're seeking a church home and wish to learn more about Trinity, our Pastor will gladly meet with you after the service. In the meantime, we welcome you forward for a blessing during the distribution. Simply come forward and, when kneeling, **cross your arms over your chest**, indicating that you'd like to receive a blessing.

As you commune, select either the individual cup or the common chalice. Communicants who cannot easily come to the altar will be communed in the pew. *Please notify an usher or the Pastor beforehand if you need such assistance.*To help prepare yourself to receive the Lord's Body and Blood you may read "Christian Questions with Their Answers" found on pages 329 and 330 of the hymnal.

## **EASTER RUBRICS**

"Christ is risen!" "He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!" This is the ancient paschal (Easter) greeting that Christians have used to greet one another since the earliest days of the Church (see Mt 27:64; 28:6-7; Mk 16:6; Lk 24:6; 24:34). Throughout the Easter season we'll use this acclamation often. You'll also notice that the Gloria Patri and the Greater Gloria (Gloria in excelsis) have returned, as well as the Alleluia! For the Gradual we'll sing the 11th century hymn, Victimae Paschali (Christians to the Paschal Victim) with the most ancient German hymn, Christ ist erstanden (Christ is Arisen). Luther once said, "After a time one tires of singing all other hymns, but the Christ ist erstanden one can always sing again!" Finally, each week of the Easter season our first communion hymn will be that beautiful canticle 'This Is the Feast' (Rev 5:12-13; 19:5-9), which is on page 155.

## + THE DIVINE SERVICE +

Setting Three, Lutheran Service Book, p.184

## **HYMN OF INVOCATION** ~ *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

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 $\triangle$ *Please stand and face the cross as it enters.* 

#### EASTER ACCLAMATION

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

## + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

#### **INVOCATION**

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. During the Paschal season, we stand rather than kneeling.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

**INTROIT** 

*Ps.* 8:1,5-6,9; antiphon Luke 24:5b-6b



P He is risen! Alle- | luia!\*

Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alle- | luia!

Remember how He told you, Alle- | luia,\*

that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alle- | luia!

- P O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in | all the earth!\* You have set Your glory above the | heavens.
- Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings\*

#### and crowned Him with glory and | honor.

- P You have given Him dominion over the works | of your hands;\* you have put all things under | his feet.
- O | Lord, our Lord,\*

how majestic is Your name in | all the earth!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

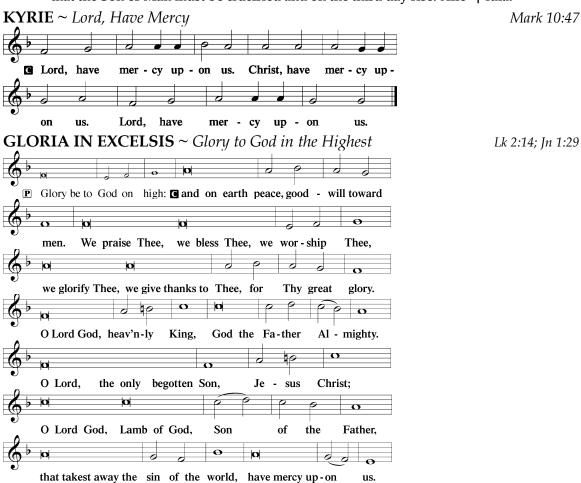
and to the Holy | Spirit;

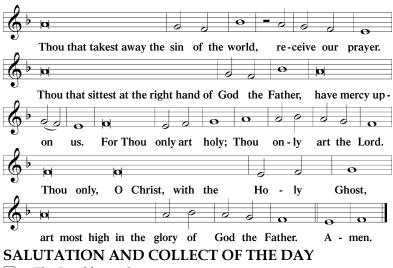
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

\*You may bow your head at this point in praise of the Name of the Holy Trinity

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

- P He is risen! Alle- | luia!\*
  - Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alle- | luia!
- Remember how He told you, Alle- | luia,\* that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alle- | luia!





**P** The Lord be with you.



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. 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.



Sit

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Iob 19:23-27

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

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

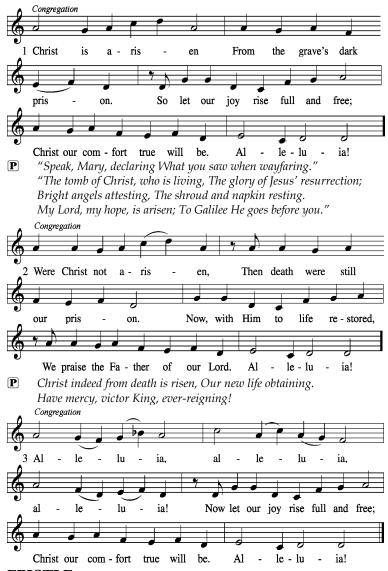
**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL ~ Christians to the Paschal Victim

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P Christians, to the Paschal Victim Offer your thankful praises! The Lamb the sheep has ransomed: Christ, who only is sinless, Reconciling sinners to the Father.

Death and life have contended In that combat stupendous: The Prince of life, who died, Reigns immortal.



EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

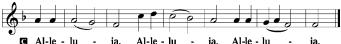
<sup>6</sup>Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? <sup>7</sup>Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. <sup>8</sup>Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

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

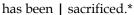
#### C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel procession. As the Holy Gospel comes in the midst of the congregation, we remember how Christ our God and Lord came into the midst of His people.





Christ, our Pass-I over lamb,





P Let us therefore celebrate the | festival\*

with the unleavened bread of sinceri - Ity and truth.



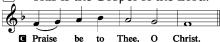
HOLY GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.



<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. 2And 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?" 4And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. 5And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. 6And 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." 8And 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: in reverence of the incarnation

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

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\*You may genuflect

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

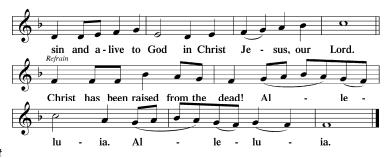
# **HYMN OF THE DAY** ~ *Christ Lay in Death's Strong Bands* **SERMON**

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Stand



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#### **OFFERING**

The offering is a joyful response of faith. It should be free, generous, and offered with thanksgiving to God.

The offering today goes toward the work and mission of the Church. Guests, especially, should not feel obliged to give. Stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

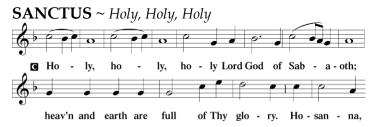
[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

After each petition respond: "Hear our prayer."

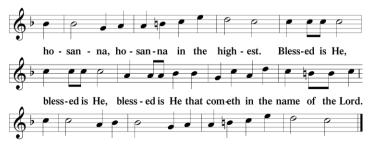
## + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +



P It is truly meet, 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 saying:



Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



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

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P Thanks be to you, O Lord, because in these last days you did send to us your beloved Servant, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior and our Redeemer and the Messenger of your will; who is your Word inseparable from you; through whom you made all things and with whom you were well pleased; whom you did send from heaven into the womb of the Virgin, and who, having been conceived within her, became flesh, and was manifested as your Son, being born of the Holy Spirit and a virgin; who, in order that He might abolish death, break the bonds of the adversary, tread Hades underfoot, give light to the righteous, establish an everlasting covenant, and manifest the resurrection in His flesh,

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

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."

Therefore, having in remembrance His death and resurrection, we give thanks to you, Holy Father, because you have counted us worthy to stand before you and to serve you. Gather into one, we pray you, all your holy people who partake of this bread and this cup; fill them with your Holy Spirit for the confirmation of their faith in the truth; and grant that we may praise and glorify you through your Servant, Jesus Christ, through whom all honor and glory belongs to you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

#### C Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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 \( \dagger \) deliver us from evil.

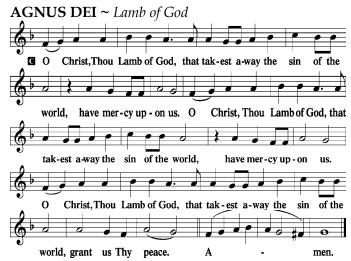
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **PAX DOMINI~** *The Peace of the Lord*

Iohn 20:19

ightharpoonup The peace of the ightharpoonup Lord be with you always.





Sit

#### DISTRIBUTION

Please take a moment and read 'COMMUNING AT THIS ALTAR' in the front cover of the bulletin. Guests are invited to please speak with the Pastor before communing for the first time.

## Prayer Before Reception of Holy Communion

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord. What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given to me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. Amen.

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## Prayer After Reception of Holy Communion

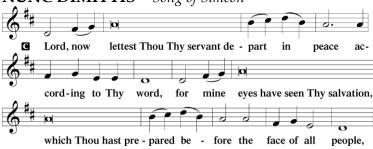
I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

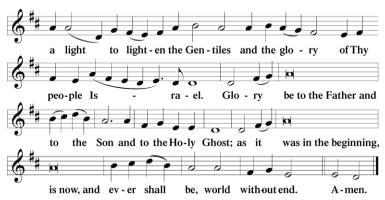
Additional prayers to prepare for receiving the Sacrament are found in the front cover of the hymnal. Stand

**NUNC DIMITTIS** ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32

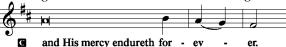
John 1:29





#### THANKSGIVING

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



### **SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS**

P The Lord be with you.



#### BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



 $\triangle$  Please remain standing and face the cross in reverence as it processes out.

**CLOSING HYMN** ~ *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* 

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