

## EASTER SUNDAY

April 4, 2021

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**“On the Third Day”**

*-Pote*

*Adult Choir*

P: After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, “Don’t be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.”

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P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: The Lord is risen. Alleluia!

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

P: This is the day the Lord has made.

**C: We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: The angel spoke to the disciples, "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene who was crucified. He is risen." Alleluia.

**C: Christ has destroyed death. Alleluia!**

P: The stone the builders rejected,

**C: has become the capstone.**

P: The Lord had done this,

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

**OPENING HYMN – LSB 457**

*"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"*

**♪ 1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**♪ 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**♪ 3. But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

**♪ 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“An Easter Celebration”

*-Cameron*

Adult Choir

## HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

C: ♪ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate it in their presence. He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## ANTHEM

“Hallelujah Chorus”

*-Handel*

*Adult Choir*

**SERMON**

“A Touchable God”

*Rev. Mark W. Arendell*

**EASTER GREETING**

**OFFERING**

**PRAYERS**

***Birthday:*** Stan Krakowski (87<sup>th</sup> on 3/29), Mickey VanOverbeke (13<sup>th</sup> on 4/4), Ruth Klein (89<sup>th</sup> on 4/6), Joyce Kraatz (88<sup>th</sup> on 4/9) and Gert Clark (90<sup>th</sup> on 4/9)

***Anniversary:*** Al and Virginia Weatherly (64<sup>th</sup> on 4/6)

***Please pray for hope and healing for:***

Abigail (*newborn*), Carly Alward, Sherrie Antoszewski, Don Bietler, Bernice Brunke, Connie Davis, Kurt Dodson, Cris Green, Julie, Jim & Susan Kaiser, Eva Kosmala (*newborn*), Jackie Kukuk, Joe Manzella, Lauren Mento, Landon Morrison, Rachel Pedersen, Andy Pfeiffer, Jim Turner, Marcello Vitale, Christine Wanger, Pat Warnez, Hope Watson, .....***and those we name in our hearts now.***

***Those who mourn:*** The Family of Jill DeLadurantaye

***Please pray for:***

- Pray for the end of violence and hate in the nation.
- That the pandemic would pass.
- Protection for health care workers, all first responders, the poor, the sick, all who are most at risk.
- That we may live quiet and peaceful lives in all godliness & holiness.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P:** In the presence of the Almighty God, who is gracious and righteous and full of compassion, let us confess our sins.

**C:** **Father, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. By your Holy Spirit, restore in us the joy of salvation, and raise us to live for You. In the name of our risen Lord Jesus. Amen.**

**P:** God our Father sent His Son into the world for this very purpose: that we might be His children forever. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God offers us full forgiveness of our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**All:** **♪ Christ has been raised from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

**C:** **♪ Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN – LSB 461

*“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”*

♩ 1. I know that my Redeemer lives;  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever living head.

♩ 2. He lives triumphant from the grave;  
He lives eternally to save;  
He lives all glorious in the sky;  
He lives exalted there on high.

♩ 4. He lives to grant me rich supply;  
He lives to guide me with His eye;  
He lives to comfort me when faint;  
He lives to hear my soul’s complaint.

♩ 7. He lives and grants me daily breath;  
He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare;  
He lives to bring me safely there.

♩ 8. He lives, all glory to His name!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!

## DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM

*“Risen Indeed”*

*-Pote*

*Adult Choir*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN – LSB 633**

*“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”*

♪ 1. At the Lamb’s high feast we sing  
Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide  
Flowing from His pierced side.  
Alleluia!

♪ 5. Mighty Victim from the sky,  
Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath You lie;  
You have conquered in the fight,  
You have brought us life and light.  
Alleluia!

♪ 6. Now no more can death appall,  
Now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise,  
And Your saints in You shall rise.  
Alleluia!

♪ 7. Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin’s pow’r, Lord, set us free,  
Newborn souls in You to be.  
Alleluia!

♪ 8. Father, who the crown shall give,  
Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days:  
Three in One, Your name we praise.  
Alleluia!

**PRAYER**

## EASTER BLESSING

### CLOSING HYMN – LSB 475

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

♪ 1. Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!

Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring;  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

♪ 2. The Lord of life is ris'n this day;  
Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;  
Let all the world rejoice and say:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

♪ 3. Praise we in songs of victory  
That love, that life which cannot die,  
And sing with hearts uplifted high:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

♪ 4. Your name we bless, O risen Lord,  
And sing today with one accord  
The life laid down, the life restored;  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

P: Christ has risen!

C: Christ has risen indeed! Alleluia!