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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD/ EASTER DAY

March 31, 2024

HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34)

The Order of the Holy Communion

Bells of St. John's (7:00 a.m.)

Hymn – #202

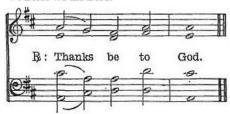
"Welcome, Happy Morning!"

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Invocation:

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

W: Bless we the Lord.

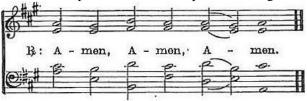


The Benediction

The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

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

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.



Sit

Closing Hymn - #199

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!"

Silent Prayer & Postlude

DAILY READINGS: March 31: Ex. 14:10–31; Heb. 7:23–8:13; April 1: Ex. 15:1–18; Heb. 9:1–28; 2: Ex. 15:19–16:12; Heb. 10:1–18; 3: Ex. 16:13–35; Heb. 10:19–39; 4: Ex. 17:1–16; Heb. 11:1–29; 5: Ex. 18:5–27; Heb. 12:1–24; 6: Ex. 19:1–25; Heb. 13:1–21.

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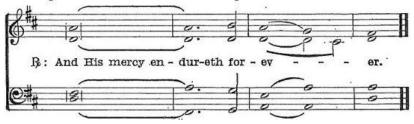
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The Thanksgiving

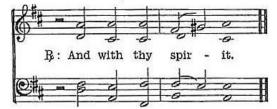
V: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



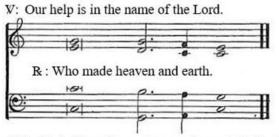
W: The Lord be with you.



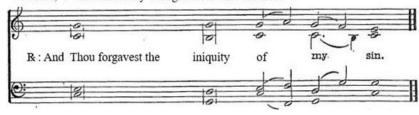


The Confession of Sins:

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.

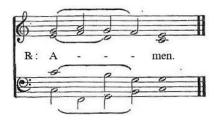


W: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord



O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

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 Son and of the Holy Ghost.



EASTER ACCLAMATION

The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Introit: Ex. 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: Ex. 15:1b (Chanted by Choir at 7:00 a.m. & by Pastor and Allison at 10:30)

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed | gloriously;* the horse and his rider he has thrown in- | to the sea.

The LORD is my strength | and my song,* and he has become my sal- | vation;

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

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you | have redeemed;* you have guided them by your strength to your ho- | ly abode.

You will bring them in and plant them on your own | mountain,* the place, O LORD, which you have made for | your abode,

the sanctuary, O LORD, which your hands have es- | tablished.* 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 be-| ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

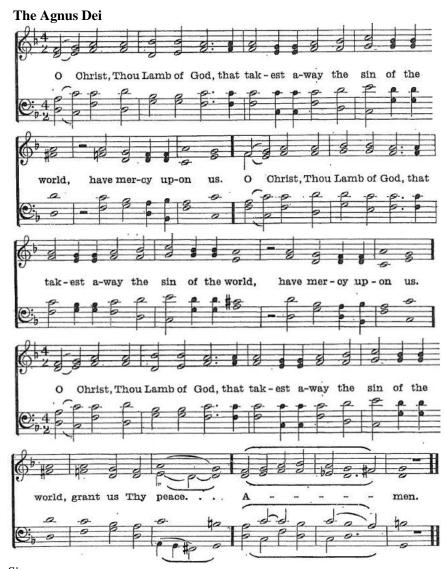
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The Numc Dimittis





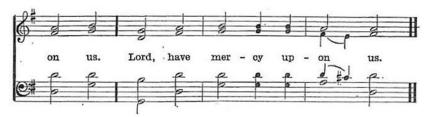
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Communion Distribution Hymns

#193 – "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

#200 – "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

#188 - "Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!"



Hymn #205 "The Day of Resurrection" (in place of the Gloria in Excelsis)

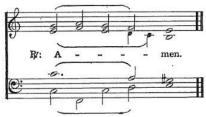
The Salutation:



Let us pray.

The Collect for The Day:

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: Isaiah 25:6–9

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.

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

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.

It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

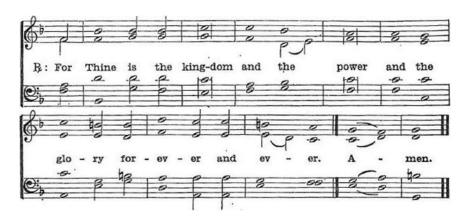
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-20

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it true that the



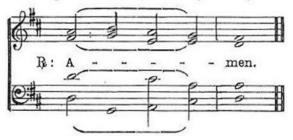
The Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini

V: The peace of the Lord be with you alway!



The Sanctus



The 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;

dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸The those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.



Holy Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

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



¹When 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. ³And 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. ⁷But 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 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 Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; 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; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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

Sermon Hymn: #191

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!"

Sermon – "But Now Christ Is Risen!" 1 Corinthians 15:17-20

- I. What if Christ had not risen from the dead?
- II. Christ is risen from the dead, the First-fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

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Hymn #187 "Christ is Arisen" (in place of The Offertory)

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The Offering

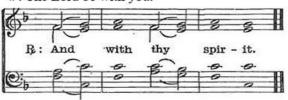
Choir "This Joyful Eastertide" (7:00 a.m.) **Vocal Solo:** "That Brightest Dawn" (10:30)

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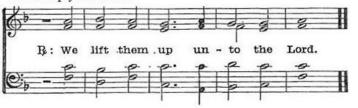
The General Prayer

The Preface

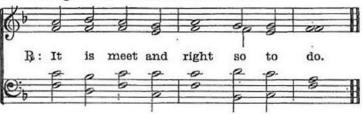
W: The Lord be with you.



W: Lift up your hearts.



W: Let us give thanks unto the lord our God.



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and hath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying: