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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD/ EASTER DAY

April 20, 2025

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

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

Hymn – #191

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!!"

Holy Baptism (10:30)

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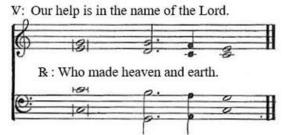
Invocation:

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

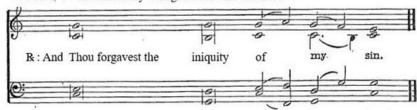


The Confession of Sins:

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.

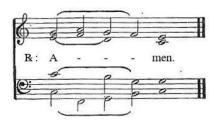


W: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord



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 \mid ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be-| ginning,*

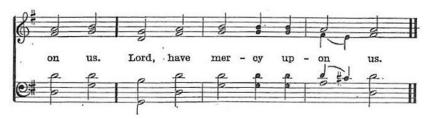
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Hymn #187 "Christ is Risen" (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 65:17-25

"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,

and her people to be a gladness.

¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem

and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it

an infant who lives but a few days,

or an old man who does not fill out his days,

for the young man shall die a hundred years old,

and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain

or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them.

Before they call I will answer;

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy

in all my holy mountain,"

says the LORD.

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

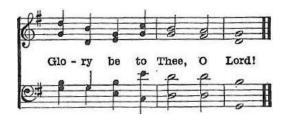
who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Stand



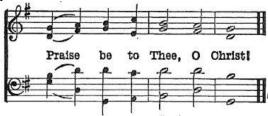
Holy Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

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



¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." 8And they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

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: #202

"Welcome, Happy Morning!"

Sermon – "Resurrection Necessity"

Luke 24:6-7

It was necessary for the Son of Man to rise on the third day:

- I. To fulfill God's word.
- II. To confirm the value of His death.
- III. To secure and assure our resurrection.

Stand

Hymn #205 "The Day of Resurrection" (in place of The Offertory)

Sit

The Offering

Choir "He Is Risen" (7:00)

Vocal Solo: "He Is Risen! He Is Risen!" (10:30) (You can follow below)

He is risen! He is risen!

Tell it out with joyful voice.

He has burst His three days' prison;

Let the whole wide earth rejoice.

Death is conquered man is free. Christ has won the victory.

Come with high and holy hymning; Chant our Lord's triumphant lay. Not one darkness cloud is dimming Yonder glorious morning ray. Breaking o'er the purple east, Symbol of our Easter feast.

He is risen! He is risen! He hath opened heaven's gate. We are free from sin's dark prison, Risen to a holier state.

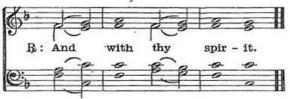
And a brighter Easter beam On our longing eyes shall stream Death is conquered man is free. Christ has won the victory.

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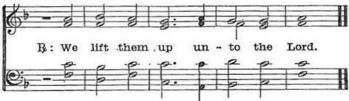
The General Prayer

The Preface

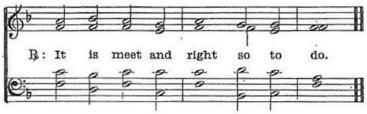
W: The Lord be with you.



W: Lift up your hearts.

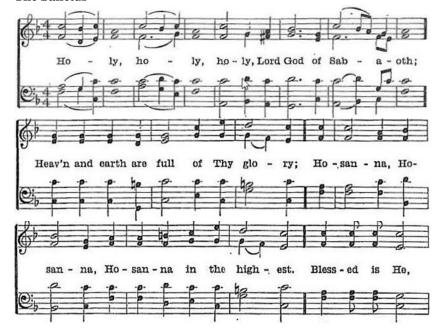


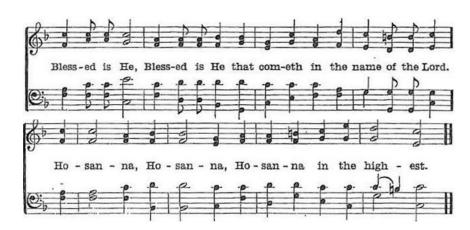
W: Let us give thanks unto the lord our God.



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:

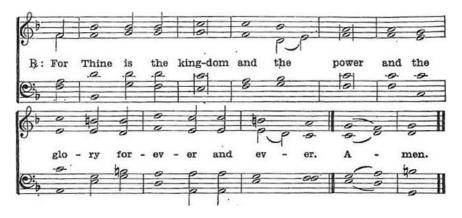
The Sanctus





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;



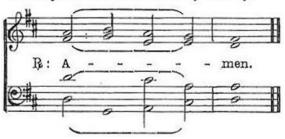
The Words of Institution

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 Agnus Dei





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Communion Distribution Hymns

#195 – "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

#200 – "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

#207 -- "Like the Golden Sun Ascending"

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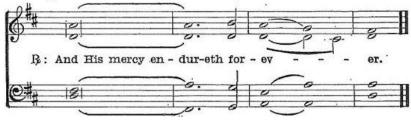
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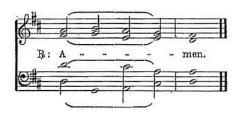


The Thanksgiving

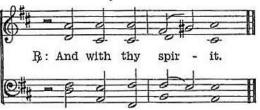
W: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



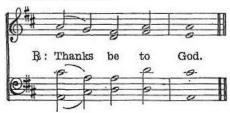
We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee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



W: The Lord be with you.



W: Bless we the Lord.

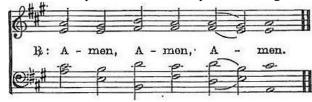


The Benediction

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: April 20: Ex. 14:10–31; Heb. 7:23–8:13; 21: Ex. 15:1–18; Heb. 9:1–28; 22: Ex. 15:19–16:12; Heb. 10:1–18; 23: Ex. 16:13–35; Heb. 10:19–39; 24: Ex. 17:1–16; Heb. 11:1–29; 25: Ex. 18:5–27; Heb. 12:1–24; 26: Ex. 19:1–25; Heb. 13:1–21.

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