

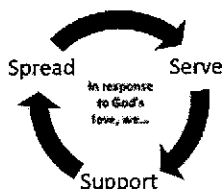
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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD / EASTER DAY

Order of Worship – 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM

+ Service of Holy Communion +

Divine Service, Setting One (LSB)

AS WE GATHER – *Though Christmas may be our favorite, Paul reminds us that Easter is of “first importance.” If Christ had not arisen, our hope would be still locked in the tomb. Because He is risen, just as He said, we have hope of our own resurrection from the dead and look forward to the life everlasting, which death cannot touch. We come here today not simply to remember an event but to rejoice in the future made possible for us because of what happened. Before the world we confess that Jesus' resurrection is not a hope but a fact witnessed by more than five hundred and on that fact God has built a future for us—one we anticipate now even as we wait to see it fulfilled.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC [both] “At the Lamb’s High Feast” by Jeffrey Blersch
HANDBELL SELECTION [9:00 AM only] “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

WELCOME

[♯Means please stand; ♯Means please be seated]

♯OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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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 endured, Al - le - lu - ia!
△ 4 Sing we to our God a-bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

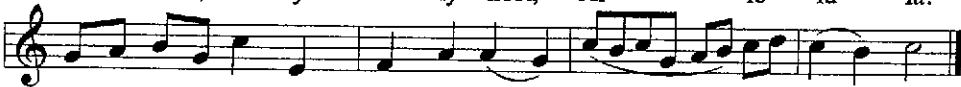


Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!

(continued)



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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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Romans 6:4; Colossians 3:1, 3

- P** *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!**
- P** *We were buried with Christ by Baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,*
- C** **we too might walk in newness of life.**
- P** *If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.*
- C** **For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENES

- 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 meditation and reflection)
- 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
 - P** *Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
 - C** **Amen.**

KYRIE

P *In peace let us pray to the Lord.*



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P *For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P *For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P *For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*



C Lord, have mer - cy.

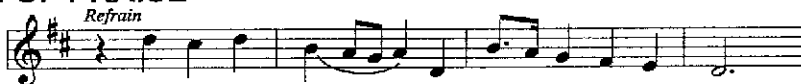
P *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

G And al - so with you.

P *Let us pray.*

All: 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. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

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1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.

(continued)

Refrain

Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;
 Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.
 Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!
 Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

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

G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

G Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Day of Resurrection

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[Verse 2: Choir only]

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 Choir: 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,
 Δ 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!

(continued)



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 - scribe to God a - lone!

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SERMON

"TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?"

Mark 16:1-8

- I. In Mark's account of Easter, Jesus doesn't physically appear.
- II. Mark is showing us that we believe in Christ's Easter resurrection through faith in God's Word.

NICENE CREED

C 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 and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit 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 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 worshipped 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Heavenly Father, we live in a culture of distractions and diversions. Help us to focus our hearts and minds on the things of first importance: Christ's death and resurrection for sinners, for Christ is risen!*
- C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- P** *Lord, You sent a messenger to proclaim Jesus' resurrection to the women on Easter morning. Inspire us to share the message of Jesus' resurrection throughout the world, for Christ is risen!*
- C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- P** *Lord, there are many in this world who have been abused, neglected, and abandoned, suffering at the hands of evil people. Spread Christ's resurrection victory into their lives of*

pain and hopelessness. Raise them from darkness into Your light, for Christ is risen!

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

P *Lord, send healing and care to all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [especially . . .]. Comfort them with the hope of resurrected bodies that will be ours when Jesus returns, for Christ is risen!*

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

P *Lord, many grieve and mourn the death of loved ones. Embrace them with the hope of the resurrection that is ours because Christ is risen!*

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

P *Lord, every good and perfect gift comes from You. We thank You for the blessings You have poured out upon us. We rejoice with those who rejoice. Grant that our rejoicing draw us back to the Good News that Christ is risen!*

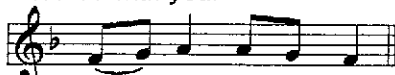
C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P *Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.*

C **Amen.**

PREFACE

P *The Lord be with you.*



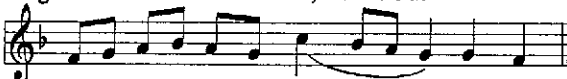
C **And al - so with you.**

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.**

P *It is truly good, 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:*



C **Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:**

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Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** *Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him. Grant us to keep the feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.* **C** **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P** *As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.*
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** *O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*
- 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.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.

DISTRIBUTION

Handbell Selection [7:00 AM only]

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Choir Selection [both services]

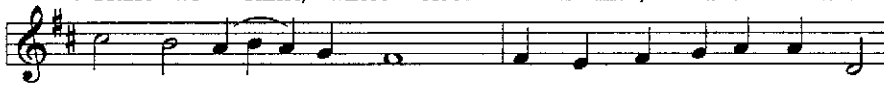
"Jesus Is Alive!"

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing [congregation sings]

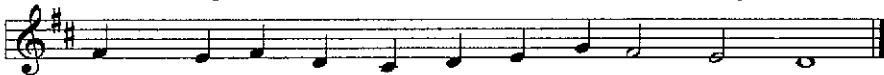
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1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

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!

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!

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!

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! Amen.

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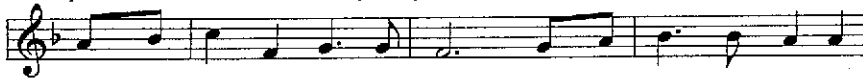
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1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, vic - to - rious! Thanks to Thee, O
 2 Thou hast died for my trans - gres - sion, All my sins on
 3 For the joy Thine ad - vent gave me, For Thy ho - ly,



Lord of Life! Death hath now no pow - er o'er us,
 Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me sal - va - tion,
 pre - cious Word; For Thy Bap - tism, which doth save me,



Thou hast con - quered in the strife. Thanks be - cause Thou didst a -
 On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall a -
 For Thy blest Com - mu - nion board; For Thy death, the bit - ter



rise And hast o - pened par - a - dise! None can ful - ly
 rise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death it - self is
 scorn, For Thy res - ur - rec - tion morn, Lord, I thank Thee

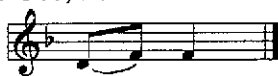


sing the glo - ry Of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.
 tran - si - to - ry; I shall lift my head in glo - ry.
 and ex - tol Thee, And in heav'n I shall be - hold Thee.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our Heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

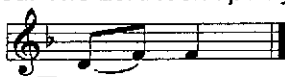


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BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.



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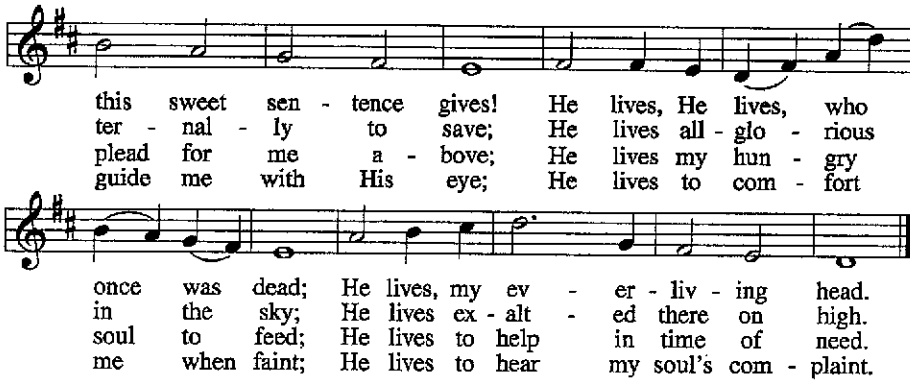
CLOSING HYMN

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

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1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort
 once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

5. He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.
6. He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
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!

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🔔 ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthday: *Steve Rolan*]

POSTLUDE

"Fanfare & Statement on Llanfair"

by Edward Broughton

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

Altar Guild Elsie Leiker & Sharon Milliken
 Communion Assistants..... Bob Sees (7:00 AM); Bill Milliken (9:00 AM)
 Counter Carl Kurth
 Organist / Music Director Beth Buss
 Special Music: Handbells & Christ Choristers; Beth Buss, Director
 Kae Kemerling, Keyboard; Mackenzie Egan, Flute
 Sanitation CEO (Clean Every Object) Al Axford
 Service Web Recorder Robert Showalter
 Service Live Streaming..... Stuart Ruwet (7:00 AM); Renee Ortado (9:00 AM)
 Usher Phil Vandere

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