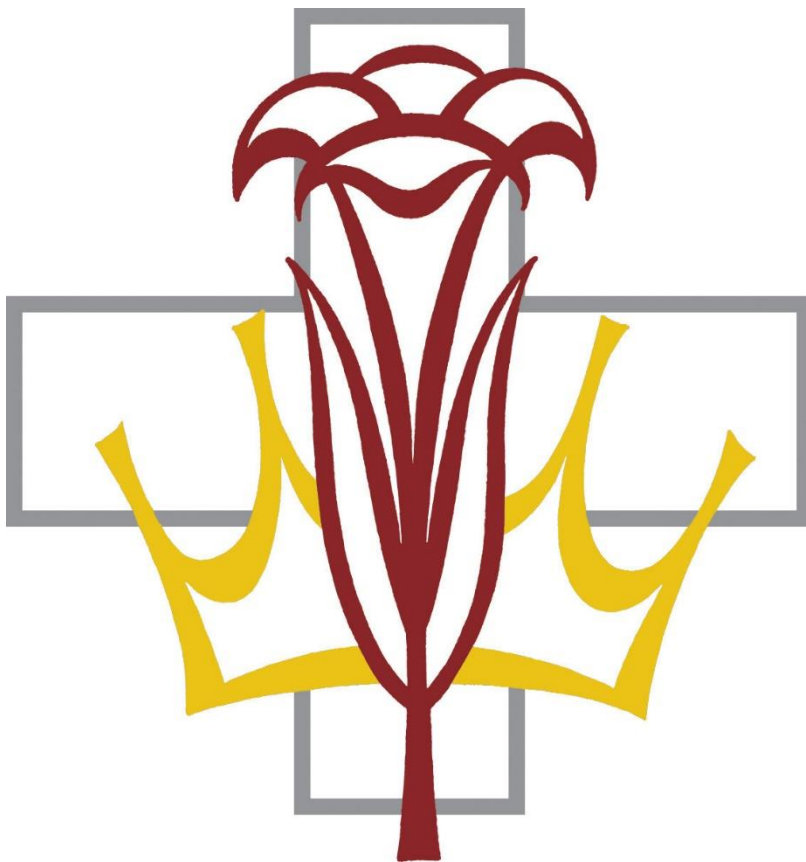


The Lutheran Church of the Savior
A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



Order of Worship

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Introit

Exodus 15:2a, 13, 17-18

The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy 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 established.

The LORD will reign forever and ever.

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

*If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the Lord's Supper,
please speak with the pastor before the service.*

Thank you.

Prelude Music

"This I Believe"

Welcome

Invocation

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Amen!

P This is the day the Lord has made;

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

P We thank and praise God for his presence among us, as we begin in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Processional Song

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Wesley, Galbraith

Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus, Verse 3, Chorus

VERSE



1. Christ the Lord is ris - en to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done. Al - le - lu - ia!



5
 Sons of men and an - gels say: Al - - - le lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - - - le - lu - ia!
 6
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won. Al - - - le - lu - ia!

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9
 Raise your joys and tri - umphs high. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Dy - ing once, He all doth save. Al - - - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids Him rise. Al - - - le - lu - ia!

13
 Sing, ye heav - ens and earth, re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ had o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!

18
 ia! Christ is

25 **CHORUS**
 ris - en! Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! He is
 give Him all the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia! He is

29
 ris - en! He is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! We will
 wor - thy! He is

33
 ho - ly! Al - le - - - lu - ia!



Confession and Absolution

- 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.**
- P** Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Victor over death and the grave. You have risen from the dead. Yet we face defeat in our sin every day.
- C** **We confess, Lord, that we so easily live only for ourselves. We have neglected to love You with all our heart and soul and mind, and our neighbors as ourselves.**
- P** We cannot do this on our own. We need the power of Your forgiveness.
- C** **Roll away the stone of sin and crush the hardness of our heart.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

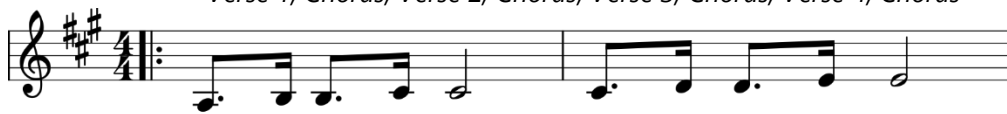
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved 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** Jesus has carried our sins to His own death. His sacrifice is complete and full – it is finished! The victory is won! 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.**

Song

The Power of the Cross

Townend, Getty

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Verse 3, Chorus, Verse 4, Chorus



1. Oh to see the dawn of the dark - est day.
 2. Oh to see the pain writ - ten on Your face,
 3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath
 4. Oh to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
 bear - ing the awe - some weight of ___ sin.
 quakes as its Mak - er bows His ___ head.
 for through Your suf - f'ring I am ___ free.



Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en then
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry e - vil deed
 Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life.
 Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live



nailed to a cross of ___ wood. 1, 2, 3. This the pow'r of the
 crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. 4. This the pow'r of the
 "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry ___ cry.
 won through Your self - less ___ love!



cross. Christ be - came sin for us. Took the blame, bore the
 cross. Son of God slain for us. What a love, what a



wrath. We stand for-giv-en at ___ the cross.. cross.
 cost. We stand for-giv-en at ___ the

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 100

P Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!

C **Know that the Lord, he is God!**
It is he who made us, and we are his;

P We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

C **Enter his gates with thanksgiving,**
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Kyrie

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C **Amen.**



Song

He is Risen

Baloche, Kendrick, Galbraith

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Chorus

4 Verse

1. Ear - ly morn - ing break of dawn, stumb - ling to the
 2. Sing with all cre - a - tion, sing of a world made

8

tomb, stand - ing awe - struck, won - d'ring who rolled a - way the
 new. in His life we, too, may live, burst - ing from the

12

stone. And as the sun came up, a - mazed, they looked in - side and saw an
 tomb. And look - ing up, we see our King en - throned on high, His wounds of

16

an - gel clothed in light. Don't be a - fraid, He is a - live.
 love now glo - ri -

To Chorus

21

- fied. Re - joice for soon He'll burst the skies! He is ris - en,

Chorus

27

hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Christ is ris - en, let the whole world

32

sing. Christ is ris - en, Christ is ris - en from the dead! —

38

To Verse 2

from the dead! —

45

He is ris - en, hal-le-lu - jah, hal-le-lu - jah! Christ is

51

ris - en, let the whole world sing. He is ri - sen,

56

hal-le-lu - jah, hal-le-lu - jah! Christ is ris - en, let the whole world

61

sing. Christ is ris - en, Christ is ris - en Christ is ris - en

67

from the dead! _____

Music by: Paul Baloche & Graham Kendrick
Arranged by: Dan Galbraith

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6–9

⁶On 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.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He 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.

⁹It 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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

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, ⁵and 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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1–8

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

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

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.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

G **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;**

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 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.



Choir Anthem

"Easter Anthem"

Davidica, Herring, Schrader

Sermon

"You Too"

Mark 16:1-8



Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

- P** Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** We join today in singing eternal alleluias with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and we bring these petitions before You, dear Father, trusting in Your mercy; through our crucified and risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

- P** Lord, 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.**

Benediction

- P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

- C** **Amen.**

Song

In Christ Alone

Townend, Getty

Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3, Verse 4

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is
 2. In Christ a - lone! who took on
 3. There in the ground His bod - y
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in

3
 found, He is my light, my strength, _____ my
 flesh, Ful - ness of God in help - - - less
 lay, Light of the world by dark - - - ness
 death, This is the pow'r of Christ _____ in

5
 song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 babel! This gift of love and right - eous -
 slain; Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious -
 me; From life's first cry to fin - al

7
 Ground, firm through the fierc - est drought _____ and
 ness, Scorned by the ones He came _____ to
 Day Up from the grave He rose _____ a -
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - - - ti -

9
 storm. What heights of love, what depths of
 save; Till on that cross as Je - sus
 gain! And as He stands in vic - to -
 ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of

11
 peace, When fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 died, The wrath of God was sat - is -
 ry, Sin's curse has lost its grip on
 man, Can ev - er pluck me from His

13

cease! My Com - for - ter, my All in
 fied For - ev - 'ry sin on Him was
 me, For I am His and He is
 hand; Till He re - turns or calls me

15

All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
 laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 mine Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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Resources for Meditation this Week

EASTER SUNDAY

4 April 2021

Readings

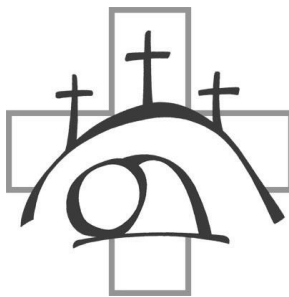
Isaiah 25:6–9

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

Mark 16:1–8

The Risen Christ Has Swallowed Up Death Forever!

The entire fallen world is veiled in a funeral shroud *“that is spread over all nations”* and *“cast over all peoples”* (Is. 25:7). But the Lord of hosts, in the Person of the incarnate Son, Jesus Christ, has removed that terrible pall and swallowed up death forever. By submitting Himself to death, He burst it apart from the inside out. Now He wipes away all tears from our faces, and He invites us to *“be glad and rejoice in his salvation”* (Is. 25:9). His body and His blood, crucified and risen, are given and poured out for us as a feast *“of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined”* (Is. 25:6). We enter that feast through Holy Baptism, whereby our old man is buried with Jesus Christ, and we are raised up in Him, *“dressed in a white robe”* of His perfect righteousness (Mark 16:5). What St. Paul and the other apostles received *“by the grace of God”* is also *“delivered to you”* by the preaching of Christ, *“in which you stand, and by which you are being saved”* (1 Cor. 15:1–11).



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

11 April 2021

Readings

Acts 4:32–35

1 John 1:1–2:2

John 20:19–31

The Risen Christ Breathes His Peace in the Holy Absolution

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus appeared to His apostles on the first Easter Sunday. He *"came and stood among them,"* and with His Word and the wounds in *"his hands and his side,"* He granted them His peace (John 20:19–20). He sent them as ministers of the Gospel in His name to bestow the life-giving Holy Spirit for us and for His whole Church through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21–23). Through this apostolic ministry, He calls us to believe that He *"is the Christ, the Son of God,"* so that by such faith we *"may have life in his name"* (John 20:31). The apostles *"have seen and heard"* this divine life manifested in the flesh of Christ, and those who succeed them in this apostolic ministry now proclaim that same Absolution to us, so that we *"too may have fellowship"* with the risen Christ, with the apostles and *"with one another"* (1 John 1:1–7). The one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church lives by *"their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus,"* and all who believe this Word are *"of one heart and soul,"* because in Him they truly have *"everything in common"* (Acts 4:32–33).

