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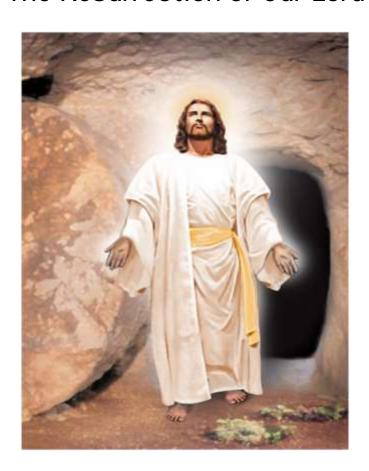
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April 20th, 2025 9:30am The Resurrection of Our Lord



Evangelical Lutheran Worship - Setting 3, page 138 Please leave your offering in the plate at the door You may stand at times marked with an asterisk (*)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude Karen Niemeier

Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

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

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and Sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all Most merciful God.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

* Greeting

ELW page 138

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

C: And also with you.

* Canticle

This Is the Feast

ELW page 140

C: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast...

2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast...

3. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast...

4. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast...

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

L: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said [to the people]: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39 And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, 40 but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. 43 To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." [ESV]

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 118:1-2, 14-24

L: Let us read responsively from Psalm 118.

¹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

² Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

- ¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.
- ¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:
- "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,
- the right hand of the LORD exalts, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"
- ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.
- ¹⁸ The LORD has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death.
- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. *[ESV]*

Second Reading: I Corinthians 15:1-11

L: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that 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. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But 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. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed. *IESVI*

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Gospel Acclamation

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C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

P: The holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but 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,

⁷ that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸ And they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now 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, ¹¹ but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But 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. *[ESV]*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Choir Anthem This Day Above All Days

Sermon Rev. Thomas Mosbo

* Hymn That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright ELW # 384

* Nicene Creed ELW page 104

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through whom all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Fern Harnish, Denny Bergmann, Rene', Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Virgil Martin, Caroline Jam, Curt Diddens, Cyndy Schumacher, Duane Tessendorf, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Diane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan and her baby, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jack, Tina, Joe, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Mr. & Mrs. Ron Heckman, Bruce Stewart, Pam, Caroline, Tina D., Jim DeMontigny Jr., Linda Kruger-Kleckler, Norman, Vivian, Tina Cheeney, Dennis Bokemeier, Brenda, Kara Allen, Christine Beyer, Judy, Bob Schulz, Kenny Frie, Steve Rothschadl, Gary L. Hartwig Josh and Ellie Joy, Hannah, Ray Phillips, and Allison Biddick.

Please respond to each petition with the following:

L: ... God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. .

C: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Peace ELW page 138

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

Bell Choir Anthem Variation on Easter Hymn

Responses ELW page 144

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also 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 our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord... all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

ELW page 145

P: Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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.

Canticle

Lamb of God

ELW page 146

C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion

All are welcome to come to receive Christ's body and blood or you may come to receive a blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

ELW page 146

P: Let us pray.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Blessing ELW page 146

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you, The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, In the name of the Father, ⊕ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit..

C: Amen.

* Hymn Thine Is the Glory ELW # 376

* Dismissal ELW page 146

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Serve the Risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Karen Niemeier

Thank you for your kind donations of Easter Lilies to Good Shepherd, the day has been brightened with their beauty.

Pastor Thomas and Coral
Eleanor Stadler
Darlene Barr
Curt and Sue Diddens
Kristy Patterson, Anna and Taylor
Jerry and Beth Martin
Donna and Dale Gullickson
Troy and Sheila Keene
Marybeth Brinker
Karen Niemeier
Wayne and Janis Kurth

Lilies may be picked up after service.

WELCA

Spring Retreat, April 26th 9:00am-3:00pm

Good Shepherd will be at Le-Win Food Pantry
Saturday, April 26th
8:20-11:30am

MEN'S GROUP

Will meet on Saturday, April 26th At 4:30pm

Attendance April 6th
In-person 30. Online 72