

# The Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, April 21, 2019



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

# Against All Odds!

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Theme of the day

Today's goal is to both profess Easter and possess Easter. Easter happened. That's profess. Easter is happening in me. That's possess!

## **EASTER GREETING**

*P: Christ is risen!*

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

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

**C: Amen.**

*P: The LORD is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation!*

**C: The LORD's right arm has done marvelous things!**

*P: The LORD's right arm is raised in triumph.*

**C: The LORD's right arm has done marvelous things!**

*P: We will not die; instead, we will live to tell what the LORD has done.*

**C: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.**

*P: This is the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.*

**C: This is the day the LORD has made.**

*P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

**C: Christ is risen!**

*P: He is risen, indeed!*

**HYMN** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today".....LSB 463 vs. 1-3

*(Please follow the cross as it makes its way from the narthex to the chancel.)*

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

*P: Forgive me, merciful and mighty Father, when my sins entangle me and completely surround me.*

**C: Who will rescue?**

*P: Forgive me, Lord, when I am so eager to get but so reluctant to give; so ready to receive Your gifts but so unwilling to bear the cross.*

**C: Who will rescue?**

*P: Forgive me, merciful Father, when I avoid making any commitment to You; when I doubt that You really see my sin; when I disobey Your commandments and am satisfied with only living for myself.*

**C: Who will rescue me?**

*P: Forgive me, Lord, when I am quick to find fault but resentful when someone points out my faults; when I am so soon at play but so late in prayer.*

**C: Who will rescue me?**

*P: Father, forgive me when I rejoice in the temporary but think little of the eternal; when I am so fond of being idle but show little passion for helpful service.*

**C: Who will rescue me from this body of death?**

*(We silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, Christ's love is greater.)*

*P: Who will rescue us from this body of death? Thanks be to God, He delivers us through Jesus Christ! By the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. This is the day the LORD has made.*

**C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

***HYMN*** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" ..... LSB 463 vs. 4

**Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!  
All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!  
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!  
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!**

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY***

*P: The Lord be with you.*

**C: And also with you.**

*P: Let us pray. Almighty God and Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life. 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**

*Exodus 15:1-18*

<sup>1</sup> Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying, "I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea. <sup>2</sup> The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise Him, my father's God, and I will exalt Him. <sup>3</sup> The Lord is a man of war; the Lord is His name. <sup>4</sup> "Pharaoh's chariots and his host He cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. <sup>5</sup> The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. <sup>6</sup> Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power, Your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy. <sup>7</sup> In the greatness of Your majesty You overthrow Your adversaries; You send out Your fury; it consumes them like stubble. <sup>8</sup> At the blast of Your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. <sup>9</sup> The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.' <sup>10</sup> You blew with Your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters. <sup>11</sup> "Who is like You, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like You, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? <sup>12</sup> You stretched out Your right hand; the earth swallowed them. <sup>13</sup> "You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed; You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode. <sup>14</sup> The peoples have heard; they tremble; pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia. <sup>15</sup> Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed; trembling seizes the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away. <sup>16</sup> Terror and dread fall upon them; because of the greatness of Your arm, they are still as a stone, till Your people, O Lord, pass by, till the people pass by whom You have purchased. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> The Lord will reign forever and ever."

*P: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

1 Corinthians 15:55-58

<sup>55</sup> "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" <sup>56</sup>  
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks  
be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>58</sup>  
Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always  
abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor  
is not in vain.

*P: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 28:1-20

*P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup> And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you." <sup>8</sup> So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. <sup>9</sup> And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me." <sup>11</sup> While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. <sup>12</sup> And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers <sup>13</sup> and said, "Tell people, His disciples came by night and stole Him away while we were asleep." <sup>14</sup> And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." <sup>15</sup> So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day. <sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which

Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw Him they worshiped Him, but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

*P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” ..... LSB 457 Δ

## **SERMON**

### **APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*P: Lord, in Your mercy,*

**C: hear our prayer.**

## **OFFERING**

### **✠ SACRAMENT ✠**

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| <p>If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.</p> |
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## PREFACE

*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 Him thanks and praise.**

## PROPER PREFACE

*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: Amen.**

## SANCTUS ..... LSB 475

4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with  
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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## 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.*

*In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.*

*We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.*

*Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:*

## 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. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### PAX DOMINI

*P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**C: Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI ..... LSB 477



2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:  
3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re-treat;  
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;

Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,  
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!

Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain" ..... **LSB 487**

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

*P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have given us this gracious gift of life. Grant that, remembering our Savior's death and resurrection, we be strengthened to live each day, trusting You joyfully and loving one another fervently; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

**BENEDICAMUS**

*P: Let us bless the Lord.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**BENEDICTION**

*P: Christ is risen!*

**C: He is risen, indeed!**

*P: This is the day the LORD has made!*

**C: We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

*P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.*

**C: Amen.**

***HYMN*** “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” ..... **LSB 465 Δ**

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**THIS WEEK AT CLC — (4/21/19 – 4/28/19)**

**Easter Sunday:** Worship/HC, 6:30am; Worship/HC, 9:00am

**Wednesday:** Bible class, 8:30am; 2<sup>nd</sup> year Confirmation, 5:00pm; 1<sup>st</sup> year Confirmation, 6:00pm

**Thursday:** Bethesda Work Day, 1:00pm; Worship/HC, 6:30pm

**Saturday:** Spring Cleanup Day, 9:00am

**Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Spring Voters’ Meeting, 10:30am; Sunday School, 10:30am

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE (Week ending April 14, 2019)**

General & Building Funds: \$6107.35; Blessings: \$12.16

Attendance: Thursday: cancelled due to snow; Sunday: 156

**CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GUESTS AND VISITORS:** We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

**SPRING VOTERS MEETING** will be taking place this coming Sunday, April 28. Check your mailbox for the meeting packet.

**SPRING CLEANUP DAY** is scheduled for this coming Saturday, April 27. We begin at 9:00. Work will be done both inside and outside the church. Hope to see you there!

**LADIES GUILD CRAFT AND BAKE SALE** will be taking place next Sunday, April 28. All proceeds will be going to support mission activities.

**PASTOR SCOTT HOLOUBEK** will be installed as Assistant Pastor on Sunday, May 5, during the 9:00am service. Help us to welcome him and his wife, Christine, to our family!

**A BIG THANK YOU** to the ladies who have helped turn a bag of squares into a quilt top. More are available in our closet downstairs. The past year we made quilts for LWR, Bethesda clients, Orphan Grain Train, and baby quilts for the Women's Shelter. We also do rolled bandages for Global Health Ministries. We meet the third Wednesday of the month from 9:30-3:00. We break for lunch and devotions. Anyone is welcome to come even if it is only for an hour. An extra pair of hands makes a difference. Questions: contact Jean 715-203-6339

**DINE TO DONATE SUNDAYS** are ongoing at Texas Roadhouse. Stop for lunch after church on Sunday and 10% of your food bill will be donated back to Christ Lutheran. Just give them a copy of the bulletin. It's that easy!

The **FOOD FOR THE BODY** collection bin is located on the north end of the fellowship hall (by the restrooms.) Your contributions go to help those in need in our community.

### **"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life**

"When the devil speaks, do not believe the lies. Whether your life be young or old, the deceit of death will enter it. You will walk by caskets. You will lie in a hospital bed. You will hear the devil speak in his native language. His lies will come to you just as they did to me. See through his faulty speech. Recognize his broken narrative. Deny every phony word. Christ calls you a Christian, and the devil's language holds no truth. When the deceit of death enters your life, listen to the truth Christ speaks on this day ... 'He will speak again. You will visit family again. She will greet you again. Christ will rise again.'" *Rev. Paul Spaude, Martin Luther College – ([www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org))*