



**WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN!** Thank you for joining us as we worship of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, **please place your cell phones on muted** for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

**WELCOME BACK:** Today we begin our next start in the life of our church after the beginning of the pandemic. IF you are uncomfortable by anything this morning, it is okay for you not to participate in the whatever the situation is that makes you uncomfortable. As you can see the room is set up for social distancing, we have the 'designated pumper' for sanitizer at the door, and I have been the only person to touch the communion bread.

**We Serve Today:**

*Reader: Peggy Sue Dygert*

*Offering: Jeff Cisco, Dean Carson*

*Communion: Bev Cisco, Bubbles Buress, Peggy Sue Dygert Greeter: Fran Thibedeau*

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Easter/Ascension Sundays  
GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME**

*Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements*

**CONFESSITIONAL PRAYER**

Pastor: As we celebrate our Easter Season, we approach your altar with love for You and our concern for the price you paid for us on the cross. Lord, we realize the difficulties that we face, and we confess the poor job we have done with our response to your sacrifice. For that, dear Lord, we make our confession to you this day.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things 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. 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**

**ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus on His cross, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word,

and by the authority of Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Go and sin no more. In the name of Jesus we pray. Alleluia and Amen.

**ENTRANCE HYMN: 183 Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):**

**Our Heavenly Father, we thank you so much for everything you do for us and for keeping us safe during this time of trouble and fear. We know you are our Father and we are your children Alleluia.**

**May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us. Alleluia.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 14:10-15:1 (ESV)**

**10** When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the Lord. **11** They said to Moses, “Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? **12** Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: ‘Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians’? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.” **13** And Moses said to the people, “Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. **14** The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.”

**15** The Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward. **16** Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. **17** And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. **18** And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen.”

**19** Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, **20** coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night[*a*] without one coming near the other all night.

**21** Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord drove the

sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. **22** And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. **23** The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. **24** And in the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, **25** clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel, for the Lord fights for them against the Egyptians."

**26** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." **27** So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the Lord threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. **28** The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. **29** But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

**30 Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 31 Israel saw the great power that the Lord used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.**

### The Song of Moses

15 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.**

**EPISTLE LESSON:** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 English Standard Version (ESV)

### The Resurrection of Christ

15 Now 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.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 20:1-18 English Standard Version (ESV)**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**Glory to you Oh Lord.**

**The Resurrection**

20 Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. **2** So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." **3** So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb.

**4** Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. **5** And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. **6** Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, **7** and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself.

**8** Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; **9** for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. **10** Then the disciples went back to their homes.

**Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene**

**11** But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. **12** And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet.

**13** They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." **14** Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. **15** Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

**16** Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). **17** Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" **18** Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you oh Christ!**

**SERMON** "He IS Risen!" Pastor Steve Dygert + STS

**SERMON HYMN:** I Know that My Redeemer Lives – last page

**OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:** The Apostles Creed (**C**)

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.**

**THE OFFERING: Offertory - 197 Majesty – Dean Carson**

*After the consecration of the Offering, we will sing the Doxology.*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Praise him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:**

- 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:**

It is indeed our right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and all places give thanks and praise to you almighty and merciful God, through our savior Jesus Christ.

Who through the Spirit that brought life where there was only death and emptied the tomb so the world would have the hope of eternal life;

and so with those who witnessed our resurrected Lord, those who pray for him to come again, and with all with choirs of angels we praise your almighty name and join their unending hymn:

**SANCTUS: 1 Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God, Almighty  
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

**PRAYERS OF PRAISE:** Let us Pray: (*Prayer Response*) *Lord in your Mercy: Hear our prayer.*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER, PREPARATION OF THE TABLE, WORDS OF  
INSTITUTION, THE DISTRIBUTION**

**THE COMMUNION BLESSING :**

**SENDING HYMN:** 188 Thine Be the Glory

**THE AARONIC BENEDICTION & Let There Be Peace On Earth**

Congregational Song, **Let There Be Peace on Earth**

Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me  
Let there be peace on earth  
The peace that was meant to be  
With God as our father  
Brothers all are we  
Let me walk with my brother  
In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me  
Let this be the moment now  
With every step I take  
Let this be my solemn vow  
To take each moment  
And live each moment  
In peace eternally  
Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me .

**THE DISMISSAL**

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

**C. Thanks be to God**

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## I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Samuel Medley

John Hatton

The musical score consists of five staves of music for a single voice. The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature varies between common time and 2/4 time. The vocal range is mostly soprano, with some notes reaching into the alto range. The lyrics are integrated directly onto the musical staff.

**1** D A<sup>7</sup>/E D/F<sup>#</sup> G A<sup>7</sup>/E D A/B B<sup>7</sup>

I know that my Re - deem - er  
He lives, to bless me with His  
He lives, and grants me dai - ly  
He lives, all glo - ry to His

**4** A D D/F<sup>#</sup> G D/F<sup>#</sup> C<sup>7</sup>/E D

lives; What joy the blest as sur - ance  
love; He lives, to plead for me a -  
breath; He lives, and I shall con - quer  
name; He lives, my Sav - ior, still the

**8** A D A<sup>7</sup> D D/F<sup>#</sup>

gives! He lives, He lives, who  
bove; He lives, my hun - gry  
death; He lives, my man - sion  
same; What joy the blest as -

**11** G D/F<sup>#</sup> A<sup>7</sup>/E D A D/F<sup>#</sup> G A<sup>7</sup>/E

once was dead; He lives, my  
soul pre - pare; He lives, to  
to pre - pare; He lives, to  
sur - ance gives; I know that

**14** D D/F<sup>#</sup> Em/G D/A A<sup>7</sup> D

ev - er - last - ing Head!  
bring me safe - ly there,  
bring me safe - ly there.  
my Re - deem - er lives!