

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter Sunday
April 17, 2022

Thought: “The last enemy to be destroyed is death,” Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

From the Angels who rolled the stone away to Jesus, we are told to go and share with others this wonderful event of our salvation. The tomb is empty and we have life eternal! Do not be afraid.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns

Sharing the Easter Peace

Theme Verse: *Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come see the place where he lay. Matthew 28:5-6*

Invocation

Call to Easter Worship

A: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

A: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever!

C: Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

A: Out of my distress I called on the Lord, the Lord answered me and set me free.

C: Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

A: The Lord is on my side; I will not fear.

C: Because he lives, we shall live also.

A: The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

C: I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

A: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

Easter Joy - “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” ELW 367

https://youtu.be/g9AXJ_vF2NU

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds - (EBLP Super Choir)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: On this day we celebrate Christ’s resurrection from the grave. But we also remember why he went to the grave. So we confess our sins to God and seek his mercy.

C: Most merciful God, it is our sin that put Jesus on the cross. For the sake of Christ crucified and risen from dead, forgive our iniquity and restore us to righteousness. Through the power of his resurrection enable us to walk in newness of life!

P: Hear the good news! God’s Word declares that Jesus “was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification” (Romans 4:25). For Christ’s sake God forgives you all your sins and justifies you, making you holy in his sight.

C: Amen.

Easter Forgiveness - “Jesus Christ is Risen Today” ELW 365
(on screen)

<https://youtu.be/cErtpg5hBSw>

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today - (2019) The Tabernacle Choir

Prayer of the Day

A: Gracious Father, as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, we do so in view of your mercy.

C: Through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have defeated death and opened to us the way to everlasting life.

A: We thank you that His victory over sin, death and hell is shared with us so that we become more than conquerors through him who loved us.

C: In view of your mercy, form us by your Spirit to live as newborn children of God. We pray these things in the holy name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Easter Promise - “That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”ELW384

<https://youtu.be/Wt5HmvHLUsY>

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright - First-Plymouth Church Lincoln Neb.

The Word

Old Testament reading - Exodus 15: 1-18

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. 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. The Lord is a man of war; the Lord is his name. Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power, your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy. In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble. 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. 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.’ You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters. Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them. You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode. The peoples have heard; they tremble; pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia. Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed; trembling seizes the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away. 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. 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.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

¹⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

²¹I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Epistle reading - Romans 6:3-11

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was

crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation - "Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?"

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Easter Gospel - Matthew 28:1-10

https://youtu.be/S_sRELXR0cs

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you O Lord.**

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. 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. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. 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.” So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Children’s Time

<https://youtu.be/0plyLqma6So>

Homily - “Do Not Be Afraid”

Pastor Barnes

https://youtu.be/COYb8N5_Djc

Easter Love - “Now the Green Blade Rises” ELW 379

<https://youtu.be/g-5Bi2jM40E>

Laura Wright - Now the Green Blade Rises

Apostles’ Creed

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 to the dead,
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 catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession

P: On this day of resurrection joy, let us offer our prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and our world.

A brief silence.

A: Renewing God, the good news of your resurrection changed the world. Give church leaders and all the baptized the same excitement as the women at the tomb, and inspire us to share your abundant life. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Sheltering God, strengthen and sustain all who support vulnerable people across the world (*especially*). Empower government agencies and international organizations that provide for refugees and migrants forced to leave their homelands. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Encouraging God, you do a new thing among us. We pray for those gripped by fear and anxiety or who suffer in any way (*especially*). Send us as your healing presence to places of hunger, pain, illness, or overwhelming sorrow. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Surprising God, you offer endless ways for us to delight in your grace. Give this community of faith a sense of joy and wonder in exploring new avenues of faith formation, worship, and discipleship. Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: Resurrecting God, you make us alive in Christ. Thank you for blessing us with faithful witnesses who now rest in you (*especially Richard Bolam*).
Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: We offer to you these petitions and those we carry in our hearts, trusting in your abundant and ever-present mercy.
Amen.

Offering

Offertory Prayer

A: Heavenly Father, our living praise is offered...

C: ...to our Living Lord, Jesus Christ.

A: Receive these offerings,

C: with our very lives,

A: as living sacrifices.

C: Use them as you wish,

A: to bring life and light to all the world.

C: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

“This is the Feast”

Refrain



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 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



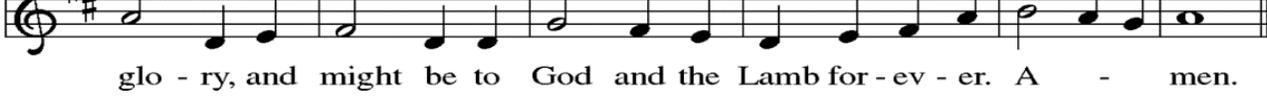
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

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.

Words of Consecration

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.

Easter Communion - “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!” ELW377 vss. 1&2

Distribution

Post Communion Blessing - Pastor

Post Communion Prayer

A: Your death is proclaimed in this meal.

C: Christ has died!

A: Fortified with these gifts, let us proclaim your resurrection to this dying world.

C: Christ is risen!

A: Until the day you come again as victorious Lord of all.

C: Christ will come again! Amen.

Benediction - from Numbers 6

Easter Covenant - “Thine Is The Glory” ELW376

<https://youtu.be/RbBOOmKMLmI>

Thine Be The Glory - Northern Baptist Association

Dismissal

A: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed!

A: We go to tell the Easter story.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude