

Easter SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024 | 9 AM & 11 AM

PRELUDE

9 AM: Alleluia, He Is Risen | Michael Keller Alleluia, Give Thanks | arr. Sondra Tucker

11 AM: Alleluia, He Is Risen | Michael Keller Alleluia, Give Thanks | arr. Sondra Tucker He Is Risen, Alleluia! | Michael Jothen

GATHERING

Please stand.

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.#365 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE



Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

REUSE & RECYCLE BULLETINS

Please return your bulletin to the basket in the narthex after the early service or recycle in the blue recycle bin after the late service.

HYMNAL

The red hymnal in the pew in front of you contains much of the music used in this service. Page numbers are in the front part of the hymnal on the bottom of the page, while hymns are found towards the rear of the hymnal.

RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery is open but unstaffed today.

LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at www. luthermem.org or Facebook



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Isaiah 25:6-9

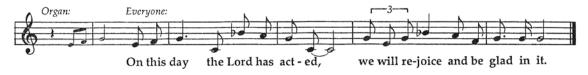
On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of wellaged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

PSALM 118:14-17, 22-23

Antiphon is sung by the choir and then by all. The choir sings the verses.



The Lord is my strength and my song,

and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory

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in the tents of the righteous: (Antiphon sung by all)
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"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!" I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the Lord. (Antiphon sung by all)

The same stone which the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing;

and it is marvelous in our eyes. (Antiphon sung by all)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been 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. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord.

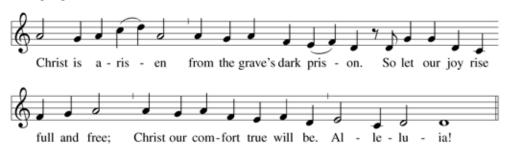
Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

#371/#372 GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

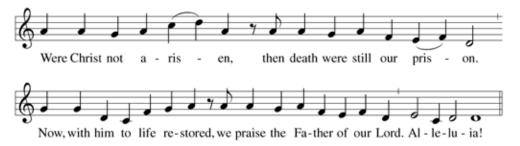
Choir: Christians, to the paschal victim offer your thankful praises! A Lamb the sheep redeeming: Christ, who only is sinless, reconciling sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous; the prince of life, who died, reigns immortal!

Congregation:



Choir: Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw when wayfaring. "The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus' resurrection; bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting. My Lord, my hope, is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you."

Congregation:



Choir: Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen.



Congregation:



When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus' body. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.



GOSPEL RECESSIONAL With High Delight Let Us Unite (Stanza 1)



Please sit. SERMON

Please stand.

#378 HYMN OF THE DAY Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

NICENE CREED 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 him 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 and the Son, 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** *Please greet your neighbor:* **Peace be with you.**

MEAL

Please sit. OFFERING

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Christ the Lord is Risen Again! | John Rutter

Christ the Lord is ris'n again; Christ has broken death's strong chain. Hark, the angels shout for joy, singing evermore on high: Hallelujah!

He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife, is our Paschal Lamb today. We too sing for joy and say: Hallelujah!

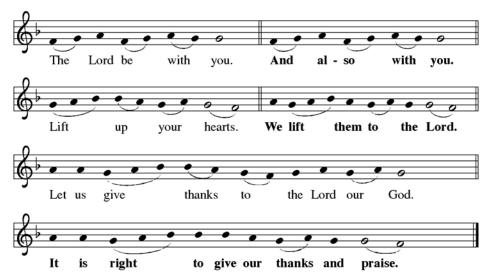
He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry: Hallelujah!

Now he bids us tell abroad how the lost may be restored, how the penitent forgiv'n, how we too may enter heav'n, Hallelujah!

Please stand. **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

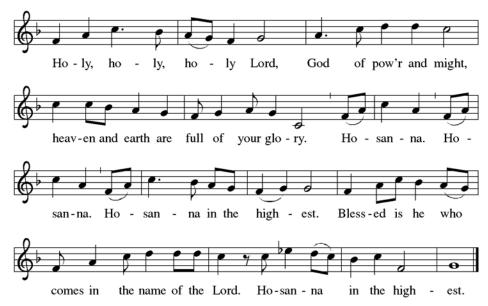
Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

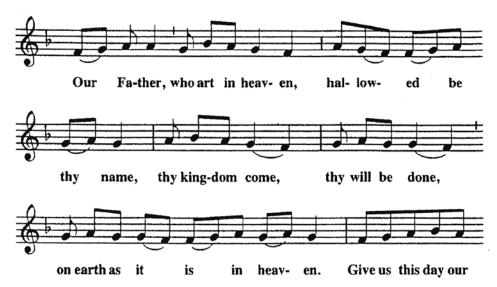
You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

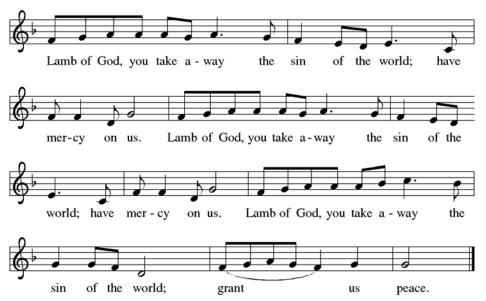




THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. *Gluten-free bread is available on request.

Please sit. LAMB OF GOD



MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

9 AM & 11 AM: Jubilate Deo | Hans Leo Hassler

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra; servite Domino in laetitia. Introite in conspectu ejus in exsultatione. Scitote quoniam Dominus ipse est Deus; ipse fecit nos, et non ipsi nos:

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:

serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

11 AM: Easter Gloria | Betty Hartland Easter flowers are blooming bright, Easter skies pour radiant light; Christ our Lord is risen in might, Gloria! Glory in the highest!

> He was born to grief and pain, Now to glory born again, Calling forth our glad refrain: Gloria! Glory in the highest!

As he rises, rise we too, Tune we heart and voice anew, Offering homage glad and true, Gloria! Glory in the highest!

COMMUNION HYMNS

- **#373** Christ the Lord is Risen Today!
- **#361** The Day of Resurrection!
- **#362** At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

#366 RECESSIONAL HYMN The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE Toccata Festiva | Richard Purvis

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Because for our sake you tasted gall, may the Enemy's bitterness be killed in us. Because for our sake you drank sour wine, may what is weak in us be strengthened. Because for our sake you were struck with a rod, may we receive shelter in the last. Because for our sake you accepted a crown of thorns, may we that love you be crowned with garlands that can never fade. Because for our sake you were wrapped in a shroud, may we be clothed in your all-enfolding strength. Because you were laid in the new grave and the tomb, may we receive renewal of soul and body. Because you rose and returned to life, may we be brought to life again. Amen.

Communion Hymn (Fifth Century)

SERVING TODAY

	9 AM	11 AM
PRESIDER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
PREACHER	Pastor Brad Pohlman	Pastor Brad Pohlman
ORGANIST	Andrew Schaeffer	Andrew Schaeffer
CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIR.		Ken Sosinski
ACOLYTE	Koen Mattison	Kole Consigny
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COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Janet Zentner, Peggy Baldwin	Mary Powell, Al Larson, Phyllis Pleuss
CRUCIFER	Randy Burmeister	Rolf Wulfsberg
LECTOR	Susan Berggren	Judy Braham
SACRISTAN	Dan Ruge	Randy Raasch
THURIFER		Randy Raasch
AUDIO	David Heins	Bill Braham
VIDEO	Lee Powell	
HEAD USHER	Robert Steffen	Jeff Van Fleet
USHERS	Jeff Van Fleet, Paul Twardy	Paul Twardy, Nicole Lane Starr

Today we remember the inurnments of Eric Knaak, Magnus Tveite and Donald Wendt in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read their pages in the memory books.

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