



## Luther Memorial Church

### Easter

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025 | 9 AM & 11 AM

# 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. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9 am-noon.

#### 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](http://www.luthermem.org) or Facebook

**PRELUDE** This Joyful Eastertide | Cathy Moglebust  
Now the Green Blade Rises | arr. Kevin McChesney

### GATHERING

*Please rise.*

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

*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.

**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** Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to the people: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he

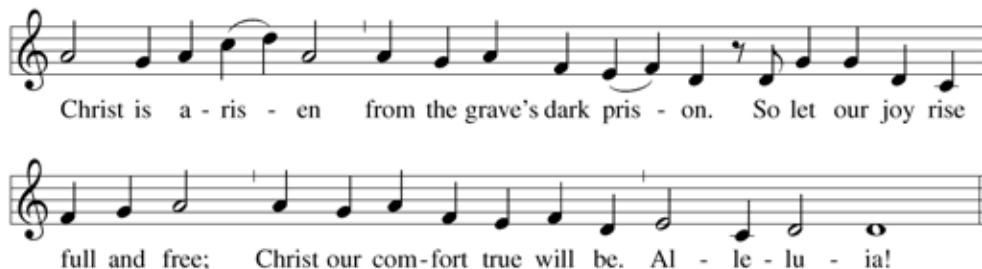


*Please rise.*

**#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!

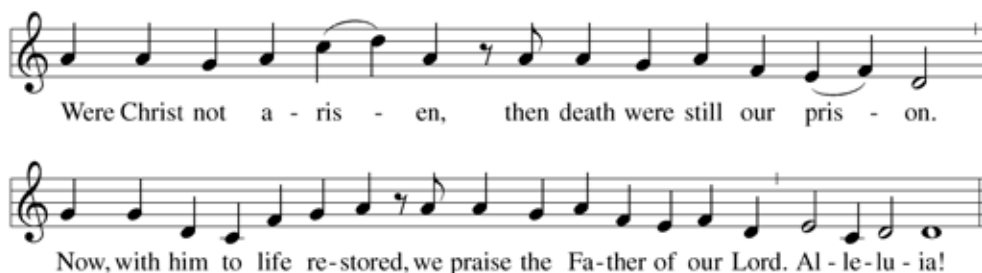
**Congregation:**



Christ is a - ris - en from the grave's dark pris - on. So let our joy rise  
full and free; Christ our com-fort true will be. Al - le - lu - ia!

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:**



Were Christ not a - ris - en, then death were still our pris - on.  
Now, with him to life re-stored, we praise the Fa-ther of our Lord. Al - le - lu - ia!

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

**Congregation:**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia! So let our joy rise full and free;  
Christ our com - fort true will be. Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL Luke 24:1-12



On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.



*Please sit.*

**SERMON**

*Please rise.*

#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 *Christus Vincit | Gerre Hancock*

*Christus vincit. Christus regnat, Christus imperat!  
Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.  
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper,  
Et in saecula, saeculorum. Amen.*

Christ has conquered, Christ our sovereign, Christ reigns forevermore!  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and forevermore,  
World without end. Amen.

*Please rise.*  
**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

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff contains 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff contains 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff contains 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The image shows one staff of musical notation in G major. The lyrics are: 'Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.'

Remembering, therefore... now and forever.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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## LORD'S PRAYER



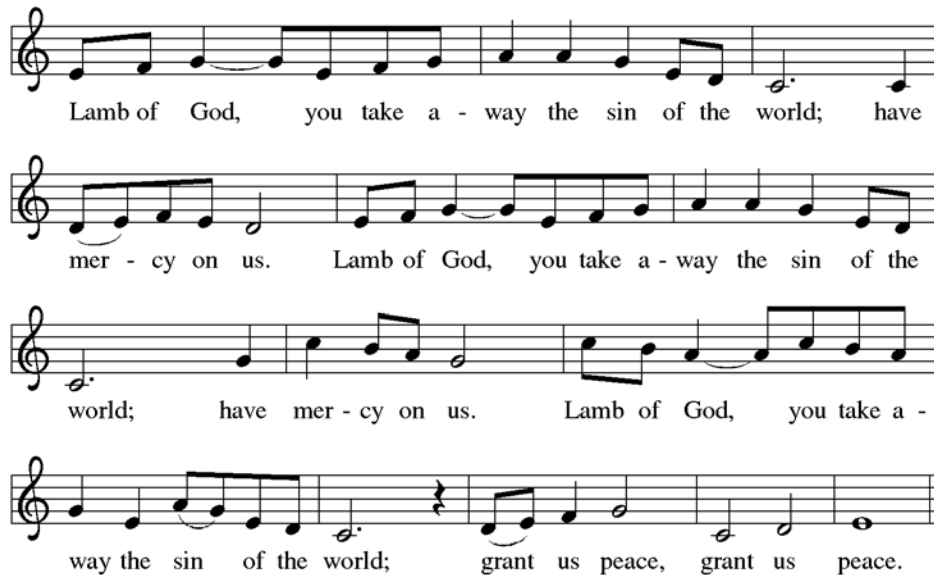
Our Fa-ther, who art in heav- en, hal- low- ed be  
thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heav- en. Give us this day our  
dai- ly bread; and for- give us our tres- pass- es,  
as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us; and lead us  
not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil.  
For thine is the king- dom, and the pow- er, and the  
glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

## 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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

**9 AM:** Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem | Charles Villiers Stanford

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,  
Your sweetest notes employ,  
The Paschal victory to hymn  
In strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion bursts his chains,  
Crushing the serpent's head;  
And cries aloud through death's domains  
To wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey  
At his command restore;  
His ransomed hosts pursue their way  
Where Jesus goes before.

Triumphant in his glory now  
To him all power is given;  
To him in one communion bow  
All saints in earth and Heaven.

While we, His soldiers, praise our King,  
His mercy we implore,  
Within his palace bright to bring  
And keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee,  
While endless ages run.

Alleluia! Amen.

**11 AM:** A Carol for Easter | Susan Powell

Away in a manger, where cows ate their hay,  
The Lord God of heaven was laid down one day  
By Mary, his mother, whose heart sang of love,  
While “Glory” and “peace” sang the angels above.

Away on a hilltop, a place called “the skull.”  
The Lord God of heaven was hung on a pole  
By all of his people and all of their sin,  
And all of their punishment fell upon him.

Away in a tomb that a rich man had loaned,  
The Lord God of heaven was laid behind stone  
By some of his sad friends who’d watched as he died  
And wondered how God’s Son could be crucified.

Away rolled the tombstone and sin, death, and hell:  
The Lord God of heaven has done all things well,  
And now he has risen and us with him raised  
That we may forever sing songs of his praise.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

- #368 With High Delight Let Us Unite
- #382 Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!
- #366 The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done
- #376 Thine Is the Glory

*Please rise.*

**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.**

- #385 **RECESSIONAL HYMN** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE** Toccata *from Organ Symphony No. 5* | Charles-Marie Widor, arr. Richard Proulx



## 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
<b>PRESIDER</b>	Pastor Brad Pohlman	Pastor Brad Pohlman
<b>PREACHER</b>	Pastor John Worzala Dumke	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
<b>ORGANIST</b>	Andrew Schaeffer	Andrew Schaeffer
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Koen Mattison, Finn Rothenberg	Berkeley Worzala Dumke, Luke Szczykutowicz
<b>ASSISTING MINISTER</b>	Amy Grunewald Mattison	Margaret Szczykutowicz
<b>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS</b>	Janet Zentner, Rolf Wulfsberg	Phyllis Pleuss, Kris Gruber-Twardy, Al Larson
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Randy Raasch	Brian Uphoff
<b>LECTOR</b>	Bonnie Gruber	John Pleuss
<b>SACRISTAN</b>	Sue Bangert	Cynthia Vander Woude
<b>THURIFER</b>		Alex Starr
<b>AUDIO</b>	Randy Eide	David Heins
<b>VIDEO</b>	Lee Powell	
<b>HEAD USHER</b>	Eric Oelkers	Bob Uphoff
<b>USHERS</b>	Kendall Oelkers, Casey Oelkers, Dylan Oelkers, Randy & Connie Burmeister	Chris Uphoff, Jeff Van Fleet

**Our thanks to brass ensemble: Matt Sundell, Laura McGuire, Erin Cook, Steve Nickels, and Laura Guse** for sharing their gifts with us this morning.

**Today we remember the inurnment of Luella Hilston** in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read her page in the memory books.

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