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#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!

#### Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We are glad that you are joining us for worship today. We are an "Easter People." As such, we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death not only one Sunday of the Year, but every Sunday! Jesus Christ is worshipped among us here as the Living Lord and He is seen alive as He comes to us through His Word and the Sacraments. We pray that you will see and meet the same Lord Jesus as you worship with us today.

#### A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as Your people towards the fulness of eternal life with You, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



#### The Festival Divine Service of Word and Sacrament on the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

From Divine Service, Setting One Lutheran Service Book, Page 151ff

¥ In the Name of Jesus Christ ¥

**▼** The Preparation **▼** 

The Music for Meditation

The Words of Welcome

The Service of Light

The Congregation rises.

The Invocation:

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the Name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

The Address and Prayer:

- P Beloved in the Lord, this is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life. Throughout the world, Christians keep this holy day to celebrate the awesome power of God. As we hear His Word, celebrate His Sacraments, and proclaim all that God has done, we are made confident that we share in His victory over death and will live with Him forever.
- P Let us pray.
  - Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation, to You be glory and praise forever. Your steadfast love extends to the heavens and Your faithfulness never ceases. Illuminate our hearts with Your wisdom and strengthen our lives with Your Word, for You are the Fountain of life and in Your light we see true light. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- **C** Blessed be God forever! Amen.

#### The Blessing and Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The Paschal Candle is the symbol of the Risen Lord Jesus' presence among us during the Great Fifty Days of Easter. Its symbols remind us of His eternal victory and triumph, and its light reminds us of His leading and guiding us from death to life. It is lighted throughout the days of the Easter Season, and then at other times in the year at Baptisms, Renewal of Baptismal Vows, and Funerals, to remind us of the Risen Lord's presence in our lives as He lives in His Baptized People by His Holy Spirit.

The Pastor traces the symbols found on the Paschal Candle, marking the candle as a symbol of Christ.

Tracing the cross:

P Christ Jesus, the same yesterday, today, and forever,

Tracing the Greek letters Alpha and Omega:

**P** the beginning and the ending, the Alpha and the Omega.

*Tracing the numerals of the current year:* 

P His are time and eternity; His are the glory and dominion, now and forever.

Touching each of the nails placed in the candle:

**P** By His holy and glorious wounds we have healing both now and forever. Amen.

Finally, as the Pastor lights the candle:

May the light of Christ, who is risen in glory from the dead, scatter all the darkness of our hearts and minds.

The Easter Acclamation:

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Easter Proclamation Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 457

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- △ 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
  Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
  Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
  Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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#### Confession and Absolution

- P Jesus our Lord, who was raised from the dead, was delivered for our trespasses
- and raised again for our justification from Romans 4:24-25
- P Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

  from 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Silence is kept for a time of reflection and self-examination

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



#### **▼** The Service of the Word **▼**

The Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast of Victory



The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



**P** Let us pray.

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



The Congregation is seated.

#### The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 26:6-9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

<sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain

the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

<sup>8</sup>He will swallow up death forever;

and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the LORD has spoken. <sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Gradual and Alleluia Verse:

adapted from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6 Romans 6:9 and 2 Timothy 1:10b

- P Christ has risen from the dead.

  [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.
- He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.
- P Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
- death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.
- P Alleluia. [Christ Jesus] abolished death
- and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Mark 16:1-8

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 461

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above; He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye; He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

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The Sermon

The New, Eternal, Normal



#### "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
   He lives and loves me to the end;
   He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
   He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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The Congregation rises.

#### **▼** The Service of Baptismal Renewal and Prayer **▼**

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows:

- Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into His death, and raised with Him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in His Holy Christian Church.
- **P** I, therefore, ask you anew: Do you renounce the devil?
- **C** Yes, I renounce him.
- **P** Do you renounce all his works?
- **C** Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- **C** Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?
- Yes, I believe 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.
- **P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- Yes, 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.
- Is it your earnest purpose to continue steadfast in this faith and in the promise of your Baptism and, as a member of the Church, to be diligent in the use of the Means of Grace and prayer?
- Yes, with the help of God.
- The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen You with His grace to life everlasting. 

  Peace be with you.
- C Amen.

#### The Prayer of the Church

- In the Name of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, who has conquered death and the grave for all the world, let us pray for the Church and for all people according to their needs.
- On this most holy day, let us pray for the Holy Church of Christ throughout the world, that it may be strengthened to proclaim the message of freedom and new life in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- On this most holy day, let us pray for Matthew and John, our Shepherds and Bishops in Christ; for Peter, our Pastor; and for all Pastors, Teachers, and Ministers of the Church, that their witness to the Crucified and Risen One may be richly blessed. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- On this most holy day, let us pray for all the newly baptized and for all who have renewed their baptismal promises, that the power of Christ's resurrection will send all Christians out to the world to be proclaimers of the Gospel of salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

On this most holy day, let us pray for the world, that the redeeming Word of the Crucified and Risen Christ will reach its farthest corners and every inhabitant. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us pray for all nations and their leaders, that the Lord might send His Spirit of peace upon our broken and fearful world and allow us to have a time of peace in this moment of our Paschal rejoicing. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us pray for all who are in the darkness of despair or depression, for all who suffer from chronic pain, and for all who await the Lord's healing and life-giving touch in their lives, especially we remember \_ that God would grant them a full measure of His love and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,  $\mathbf{C}$ hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us pray for those who have been standing in sorrow at the graves of loved ones, that they may be comforted with the blessed hope of everlasting life with all who share in Christ's Resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us pray for all those who rejoice in the Lord's kindness and goodness to them, especially with \_\_\_\_\_\_, that they may continually offer their praise to the One who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us pray for all those who have committed themselves to our prayers, especially \_\_\_\_\_ and all those whom we name before the Lord in the silence of our hearts... We ask that the Lord would indeed hear these prayers and grant them according to His will. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us pray for all those who will come to the Lord's Table to joyfully feast upon the Body and Blood of our True Paschal Lamb, our Lord Jesus Christ. And we ask the Lord that He would bless our reception of this Holy Meal and grant to us its wondrous benefits of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy. C hear our prayer. P On this most holy day, let us give thanks to the Lord for all the faithful saints of God who now live forever in the glorious presence of the Risen Christ. And we pray that we may continue forever faithful to our God until we too will join in sharing with them in the marriage feast of the Lamb which has no end. Lord, in

Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

C

- Into Your hands, O Lord, we entrust all for whom we pray, confident of Your good will and compassion, made known to us through the mercy and merits of Your beloved Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us and has risen gloriously from the dead, never to die again, and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

- The Risen Christ came and stood among His disciples and said, "Peace be with you." Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

#### **▼** The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

The Lutheran Hymnal Hymn # 207

"Like the Golden Sun Ascending"

- 1 Like the golden sun ascending,
  Breaking through the gloom of night,
  On the earth his glory spending
  So that darkness takes to flight,
  Thus my Jesus from the grave
  And death's dismal, dreadful cave
  Rose triumphant Easter morning
  At the early purple dawning.
- Thanks to Thee, O Christ, victorious!
  Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life!
  Death hath now no power o'er us,
  Thou hast conquered in the strife.
  Thanks because Thou didst arise
  And hast opened paradise!
  None can fully sing the glory
  Of the resurrection story.

The Hymn continues on the next page...



- 4 Thou hast died for my transgression,
  All my sins on Thee were laid;
  Thou hast won for me salvation,
  On the cross my debt was paid.
  From the grave I shall arise
  And shall meet Thee in the skies.
  Death itself is transitory;
  I shall lift my head in glory.
- 6 For the joy Thine advent gave me,
  For Thy holy, precious Word;
  For Thy Baptism, which doth save me,
  For Thy blest Communion board;
  For Thy death, the bitter scorn,
  For Thy resurrection morn,
  Lord, I thank Thee and extol Thee,
  And in heav'n I shall behold Thee.

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The Congregation rises.

#### The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.

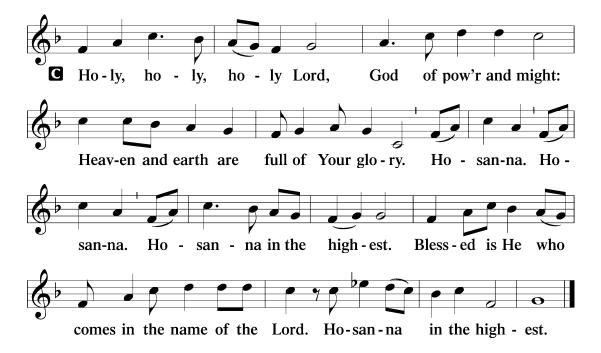


**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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:

#### The Sanctus:



#### The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.
  - Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord's Prayer:

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your Body and Blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

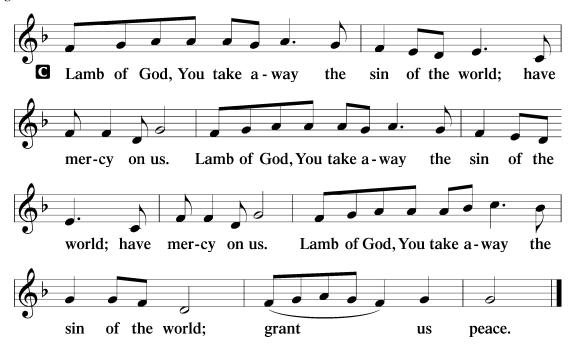
#### The *Pax Domini*:

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.





#### The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.

#### The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music During the Distribution: "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 🕂 in peace.
- C Amen.

#### The Congregation rises.

#### The Post-Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



#### The Post-Communion Collect:

**P** Let us pray.

We give You thanks, almighty and merciful God, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Sacrament; and we beseech You to pour upon our hearts the spirit of Your love, and to unite in peace those You have fed with the true Paschal Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Benedicamus and Benediction:

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and H give you peace.



The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 469

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

- 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!"
  Saints on earth and angels say;
  Raise your joys and triumphs high;
  Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won; Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell. Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened Paradise.
- 4 Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?
- 5 Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll'wing our exalted Head. Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
- 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
  Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
  Thee we greet triumphant now:
  Hail, the Resurrection, Thou!

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

¥ To God All Praise and Glory! ¥

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#### **NOTES AND NEWS**

COVID-19 PROTOCOL CHANGES ... Recently, the Governor and County Executive both made changes to the capacity limits for houses of worship which we have been seeking to follow since we have resumed in-person public worship last June.

The capacity limit in our county has been raised from 25% to 50%, which for us here at Trinity will allow us to now have up to **63 persons** with us for worship. And for a congregation of our size, this pretty much allows us to say that with our typical, pre-pandemic, average attendance, all of our regular attendees can be together in the sanctuary. (Services will continue to be livestreamed as well.)

While this is certainly a cause for rejoicing, and we do hope that many will be able to return, we will continue to abide by the protocols that we have had in place for our worship gatherings since June. Masks will continue to be required, as well as hand sanitizing and distancing. For more information, please see the "Trinity Stay-Safe Rules" that we have printed later in the Bulletin.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY ... Even though we are not able to hold our Sunday Morning Bible Class at this time doesn't mean that you can't continue to be "in the Word" on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, "A Longer Look at the Lessons", for your use. The guide for the Easter Season is now online. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <a href="http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/">http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/</a> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

AN EASTER WEEK RESPITE ... Following the busy days of Lent and Holy Week, Pastor will be taking some time this week for personal renewal and refreshment. While he will not be in the church office, you can still reach him by phone or email. He will be checking both his email and the church office phone for messages during the week.

MIDWEEK DEVOTIONS AND BIBLE STUDY ... is currently on our Holy Week and Easter Week break for this week so that we can focus on the chief services of the Triduum, and to allow for a little break for Pastor following these busy, sacred days.

We will return for these devotional moments on April 14<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will join us again then.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... Loving, caring, and sharing--it's what we do as God's family, His Church. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday April 11, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Guest Speaker: Pastor Gerard Bolling, "What It Means to Be a Family", on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

*PORTALS OF PRAYER* ... The April-June quarter booklets are available on the literature table in the rear of the church for you to pick up for use in your devotions.

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit <a href="www.cph.org">www.cph.org</a> and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The "full text" version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2021 is now available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

Cellelina!

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Soup.

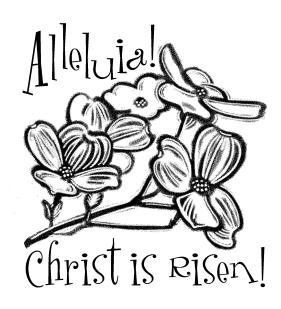
There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

#### PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...

The Second Sunday of Easter, April 11, 2021 Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 1:1 – 2:2; John 20:19-31



## EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS 2021

We thank the following for helping to adorn our Lord's Altar and House this Easter with the gift of Lilies.

Delores O. Donald in Memory of McDaniel, Donald Family, and Wigfalls

Annabelle Glasgow in Memory of Jean Elias

Paul, Verona, Kristina, and Matthew Juhasz in Memory of Loved Ones

Gus Kruelle in Memory of Betty Kruelle

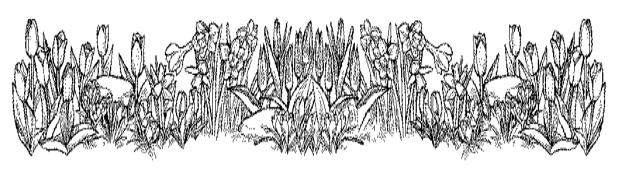
Desiree Elias McAllister in Memory of Jean Elias

Rick N. Parker in Memory of Margaret J. Parker & Margaret E. Smith

Vincent & Tracy Peele in Memory of Rhonda Clark

Pastor and Kim Schiebel in Memory of Departed Loved Ones

Sam & Judy Welch to the Glory of God





# Hyattsville Compassion Center

A shared ministry of Redeemer & Trinity Congregations and the Lutheran Mission Society

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours are:

Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours.

Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center.

If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

### **Trinity Stay-Safe Rules**

- If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- While in the church building, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

#### PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 4 – 11 May Be Subject to Change

Today The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Sunday

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

Monday Monday in Easter Week

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Tuesday Tuesday in Easter Week

9 AM—Noon Church Office Open

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Wednesday Wednesday in Easter Week

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Thursday in Easter Week

9 AM—Noon Church Office Open

Friday Friday in Easter Week

Next Sunday The Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

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#### **CHURCH STATISTICS**

Sunday, March 28, 2021 Worship Attendance: 21; Communed: 19.



## 🛚 O Christ, Hear Us! 🔻

#### Intercessions for the Week of April 4, 2021

#### **Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

#### For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Dina, niece of Sylvia; Betty, mother of Helen;

Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;

Kristie, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce;

Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce; Mary, cousin of Pastor;

Alan, cousin of Kim; Danielle, neighbor of Kim; Shirley, aunt of Kim; Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim;

Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary;

Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Joyce, friend of the Peeles; Cora, aunt of Tracy

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

#### Thanksgivings and Blessings

Leah Dowling, who celebrates her birthday this week.

Art & Shirley Simon, Adam & Sabrina Hines, and Kenneth & Julie Gilroy, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

Earl & Breonna Elias, as they rejoice in the gift of a newborn baby daughter, Zamira Naomi

#### We Keep In Our Prayers

- **♥** Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- ♣ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.