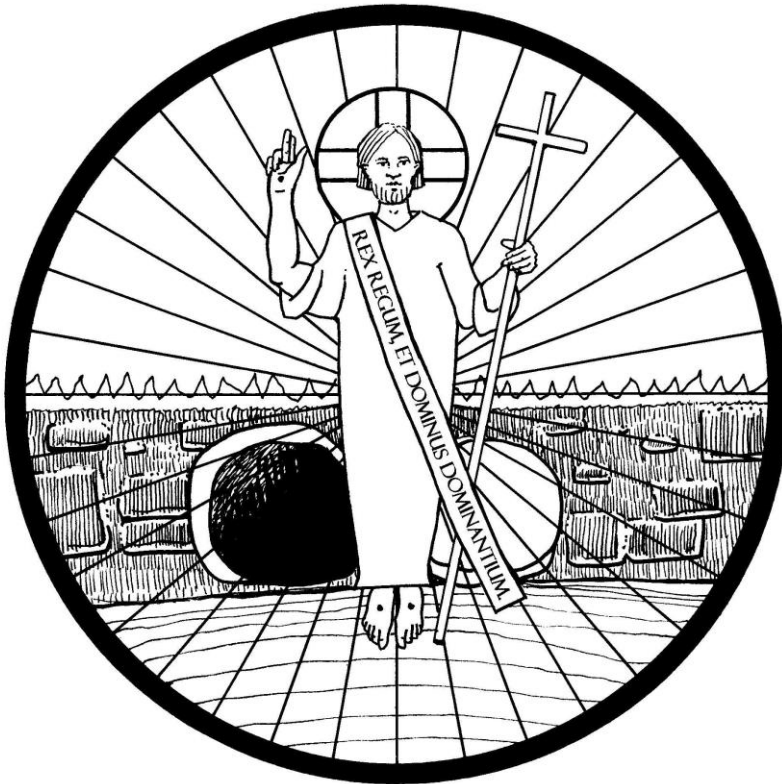


St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Fort Wayne, Indiana

The Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024
8:00 and 10:00 a.m.



“King of Kings and Lord of Lords”
(Revelation 19:16)



Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, alleluia! The Church proclaims the truth of our living Lord Jesus Christ with this Easter greeting. This Jesus, whom you seek, is present here, for you, in Word and Sacrament. Since Holy Scripture clearly teaches that receiving Holy Communion together is an expression of doctrinal unity, **we welcome to the Lord's Table members of St. Paul's and regular communicants who are members of sister congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.** Otherwise, and if you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Cage or Pastor Hoem before the service.

In Nomine Jesu

Processional Hymn 457 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

The congregation stands at the conclusion of the hymn introduction.

A musical interlude follows each stanza.

Invocation, Confession and Absolution – p. 151

Kyrie – p. 152

Hymn of Praise *This Is the Feast* – p. 155

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 25:6–9*

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:1–11*

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Choral Alleluia Verse

Healey Willan

Alleluia! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel *Mark 16:1–8*



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

After the reading:



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Alleluja
Alleluja
Alleluja

Sit

Hymn of the Day 458 *Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands (stanzas 1–3)*

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed *inside back cover of hymnal*

Prayer of the Church

C hear our prayer.

Sit

Offering

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Stand

Service of the Sacrament – p. 160

Sit

During the Distribution

Hymn 458 *Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands (stanzas 4–7)*

Choir *Triumphant from the Grave*

Carl Schalk

Triumphant from the grave
Rose Jesus, strong to save.
He crushed—O Christian mark it well—
Sin, Satan, death, and hell.
Now sing your glad song
And joyous praise to Him prolong.

Fierce though God's wrath had been
Afflicting Him for men,
The fiery judgment burned no more;
Its fury had passed o'er.
Now sing your glad song
And joyous praise to Him prolong.

Buried like sinful man
Who ends his mortal span,
Our Lord could not for long lie there,
Decay of men to share.
Now sing your glad song
And joyous praise to Him prolong.

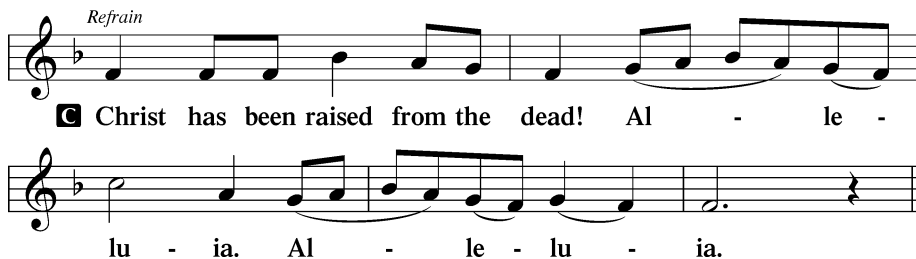
Nailed fast to yonder tree
See your iniquity!
His cross has banished all your sin,
Your pardon has brought in.
Now sing your glad song
And joyous praise to Him prolong.

Now Satan is undone!
Now death's dread pow'r is gone!
From fear of hell we are set free
Through Jesus' victory!
Now sing your glad song
And joyous praise to Him prolong.

Canticle – LSB 266 *Christ Has Been Raised from the Dead*

The congregation sings the refrain:

Refrain



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.
Death has no more dominion over Him. **Refrain**

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Living, He lives to God.
Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. **Refrain**

Hymn 461 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 2 – All

Stanza 3 – Lectern (left) side

Stanza 4 – Pulpit (right) side

Stanza 5 – Lectern side

Stanza 6 – Pulpit side

Stanza 7 – All

Stanza 8 – All

Hymn 490 *Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won*

Stand

Post-communion Canticle *Thank the Lord* – p. 164

Collect, Benedicamus, Benediction – p. 166



Recessional Hymn 475 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing* (stanzas 1 and 4)



1 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice and sing! Now is the tri-umph
4 Your name we bless, O ris-en Lord, And sing to-day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
one ac-cord The life laid down, the life re-stored:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!



Participants

Celebrant	Rev. Peter C. Cage
Preacher	Rev. Josemon Hoem
Assisting	(8:00) Rev. Dr. John Nordling, Rev. Dr. Timothy Quill Seminarians Jason von der Lage and Wesley Deiss (10:00) Rev. Dr. Don Wiley, Rev. Dr. Todd Peperkorn Rev. Dr. Peter Scaer, Rev. Prof. Robert Roethemeyer
Torchbearers	(8:00) Luke von der Lage, Joe Goodwin (10:00) Gabe Flotow, Monty McMullen
Musicians	St. Paul's Choir; Rev. Dr. Paul Grime, director Brass and Percussion Ensemble Kantor Kevin Hildebrand, organist

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HE IS
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INDEED
ALLELUIA

God's People at Prayer

"TAKE-ALONG FOR HOME DEVOTIONS"

Readings from Holy Scripture

The following can be read in the morning and evening, as suggested here, or in any way that best works with your schedule.

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Sunday	Ex. 14:10–31	Heb. 7:23—8:13
Monday	Ex. 15:1–18	Heb. 9:1–28
Tuesday	Ex. 15:19—16:12	Heb. 10:1–18
Wednesday	Ex. 16:13–35	Heb. 10:19–39
Thursday	Ex. 17:1–16	Heb. 11:1–29
Friday	Ex. 18:5–27	Heb. 12:1–24
Saturday	Ex. 19:1–25	Heb. 13:1–21

Luther on Jesus' Resurrection

By calling Christ "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" Paul wishes to signify that the resurrection is to be viewed and understood as having already begun in Christ, indeed, as being more than half finished, and that this remnant of death is to be regarded as no more than a deep sleep, and that the future resurrection of our body will not differ from suddenly awaking from such a sleep. For the main and best part of this has already come to pass, namely, that Christ, our Head, has arisen. But now that the Head is seated on high and lives, there is no longer any reason for concern. We who cling to Him must also follow after Him as His body and His members. For where the head goes and abides, there the body with all the members must necessarily follow and abide. As in the birth of man and of all animals, the head naturally appears first, and after this is born, the whole body follows easily. Now since Christ has passed over and reigns above in heaven over sin, death, devil, and everything, and since He did this for our sake to draw us after Him, we need no longer worry about our resurrection and life, though we depart and our bodies rot in the ground. For now this is no more than a sleep. And for Christ it is but a night before He rouses us from the sleep.

For Next Sunday

Acts 4:32–35; 1 John 1:1—2:2; John 20:19–31

Daily Prayer

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Prayer for Others and Ourselves

For each day of the week, let the following topics guide your prayer. Also include members from the congregation as listed under "Intercessions and Thanksgivings" on the insert sheet.

Sunday: For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and the Sacraments.

Monday: For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.

Tuesday: For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.

Wednesday: For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.

Thursday: For the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

Friday: For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.

Saturday: For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.

Lord's Prayer

Final Collect

Almighty God, through the resurrection of Your Son You have secured peace for our troubled consciences. Grant us this peace evermore that trusting in the merit of Your Son we may come at last to the perfect peace of heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Hymn

Make songs of joy to Christ, our head; Alleluia!

He lives again who once was dead! Alleluia!

Our life was purchased by His loss; Alleluia!

He died our death upon the cross. Alleluia!

O death, where is your deadly sting? Alleluia!

Assumed by our triumphant King! Alleluia!

And where your victory, O grave, Alleluia!

When one like Christ has come to save? Alleluia!

Behold, the tyrants, one and all, Alleluia!

Before our mighty Savior fall! Alleluia! (LSB 484:1–5)