The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025



Prepare for Worship

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord." Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith. Amen.

Choir

438 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Je - sus Christ is ris'n day, Al 1 to le lu ia! Hymns of praise then let lu ia! 2 sing, Al le us 3 But the pains which he Al ia! en - dured, le - lu _ 4 Sing we Al ia! to our God a - bove, le - lu tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al le lu our ia! un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al le - lu ia! have pro our sal - va - tion cured; Al le lu ia! praise e - ter - nal his love; Al le lu ia! as who did once Al - lu ia! up the cross, le - on who en - dured the cross and grave, Al le - lu ia! -a - bove the now sky he's King, Al le - lu ia! Al - lu praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, le ia! suf - fer re - deem our Al - lu to loss. le ia! sin - ners to re - deem and Al le - lu ia! save. -where the an - gels ev - er Al le lu ia! sing. -Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al le - lu ia! Text (sts. 1–3): Latin, 14th cent.; (sts. 1–3): tr. Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; (st. 4): Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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Dialogue

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Jesus Christ was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God.

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. In all things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

Death has been swallowed up in victory. Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for us.

Jesus is the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in him will live, even though they die. And those who live by believing in him will never die.

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth. I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another.

Since you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

When Christ, who is our life, appears, we will appear with him in glory.

Why do you look for the living among the dead? **He is not here; he has risen!**

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

938 This Is the Feast



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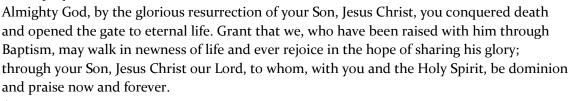
The Word

Salutation

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.



Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

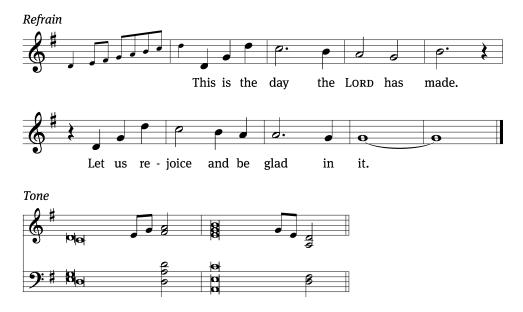
Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of Armies will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of aged wines, with the best cuts of meat, and with the finest wines.
⁷On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that covers all peoples, the burial cloth stretched over all nations.
⁸He has swallowed up death forever! The LORD God will wipe away the tears from every face. He will take away the shame of his people throughout the earth. For the LORD has spoken.
⁹On that day it will be said, "Look, here is our God! We waited for him, and he saved us! This is the LORD! We waited for him. Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation!"



16B This Is the Day



LORD, you alone are my portion / and my cup;

you make my / lot secure.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant / places; surely I have a delightful in- / heritance.

I keep my eyes always / on the LORD.

With him at my right hand, I will not be / shaken. Refrain

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue re- / joices;

my body also will / rest secure,

because you will not abandon me to the realm / of the dead,

nor will you let your Holy One / see decay.

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You make known to me the / path of life;
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you will fill me with joy in your presence,

with eternal pleasures at / your right hand.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son

and to the Holy / Spirit,

as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

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Look, I tell you a mystery. We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the blink of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴But once this perishable body has put on imperishability, and this mortal body has put on immortality, then what is written will be fulfilled:

Death is swallowed up in victory. ⁵⁵Death, where is your sting? Grave, where is your victory?

⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

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

Stand





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Luke 24:1–12

Gospel

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women went to the tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared. ²They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb. ³When they went in, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men stood by them in dazzling clothing. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed down with their faces to the ground.

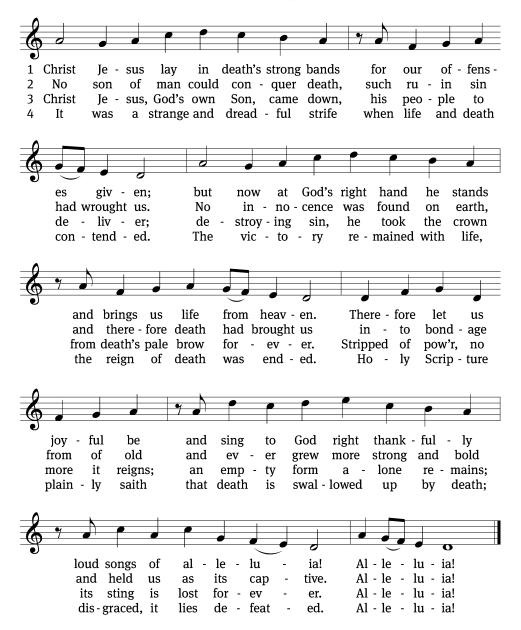
The men said to them, "Why are you looking for the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has been raised! Remember how he told you while he was still in Galilee ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again?" ⁸Then they remembered his words.

⁹When they returned from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles. ¹¹Yet these words seemed to them like nonsense, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over to look in, he saw only the strips of linen cloth. He went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

Be seated

439 Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands



- Here the true Paschal Lamb we see, whom God so freely gave us;
 he died on the accursed tree—so strong his love—to save us.
 See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it; death passes o'er, and Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!
- 6 So let us keep the festival to which the Lord invites us; Christ is himself the joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us. Now his grace to us imparts eternal sunshine to our hearts; the night of sin is ended. Alleluia!
- 7 Then let us feast this Easter Day on Christ, the bread of heaven; the Word of grace has purged away the old and evil leaven.
 Christ alone our souls will feed; he is our meat and drink indeed; faith lives upon no other! Alleluia!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–1887, alt. Tune: Latin, c. 1100; adapt. Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, Wittenberg, 1524, ed. Johann Walter Text and tune: Public domain

Sermon Death Has Lost Its Sting 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. 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. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Lord of life, fill our hearts with joy this day, for you have risen and conquered the grave. Imprint the message of victory on our hearts and implant it in our minds. Through the good news of your resurrection renew our hope and revive our faith. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

By baptizing us into your name, you have connected us to your death and rising. You have put our sin to death and have given us a new life. Enable us each day to think of ourselves as dead to sin and alive to you, so that we may walk in newness of life in all we do. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

In this fallen world, death and sorrow surround us. Touch the hearts of those who grieve the loss of a Christian they love. Direct their eyes to your empty tomb and ease their pain by reminding them that their loved ones will one day rise again. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, many people grieve without hope. Let the message of resurrection reach them and awaken faith in their hearts. Use us as your instruments to bring the word of life to their souls and the message of hope to their hearts. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Stay by the side of all who are suffering. In your wise mercy, heal those who are sick, receiving treatment for illness, recovering from illness or surgery, or hurting in body or mind. Remind them that your victory over death is a fact, and comfort them with your promise to raise them and give them and all believers new, glorified bodies like yours. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Risen Savior, feed our faith with the message of your resurrection. Come to us in your Word and in the feast of your Sacrament to sustain and strengthen us until we feast with you in eternal glory.

Amen.

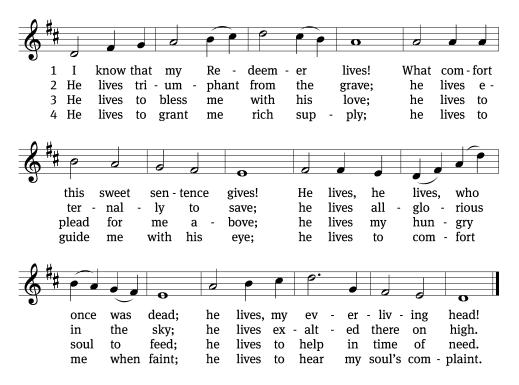
Be seated

Good News for Kids

Offering

441 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

All sing verses 1 & 8 Pulpit side sings 2, 4, 6 Lectern side sings 3, 5, 7



- 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.
- 6 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!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1739–1799, abr. Tune: attr. John C. Hatton, 1710–1793 Text and tune: Public domain

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Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

449 This Joyful Eastertide



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Choir

Welcome to Lincoln Heights!

We are glad you are here today to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please speak with an usher for any help.

Yellow Cards

Please fill out a yellow card and place it in the offering plate when passed. Thank you.

In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list: Ukraine Ray & Gloria Overson, Sherry Just and Randy Michael- shut-ins Merle Carter, Linda Thielke, Larry Borchert, Jeff Overson, Pat Oswald, Makenzie Phippen - health Daniel Pfeifer & Paige Harman, Addyson Pender & Zach Ostendorf, Caleb Winecke & Makayla Gallentine, - engaged couples

Online Giving

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Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the readings for this week on Monday through Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday through Saturday. The Word for next Sunday: Acts 5:12, 17-32, Revelation 1:4-8, John 20:19-31

Open Forum - April 27 at 9:15 am

Open forums serve to make sure the congregation is informed of the working of the church council and ministries of the congregation. These meetings also allow for members to give input and suggestions to the council and leaders. All members are invited to participate in open forums.

The Formula of Concord

Wednesday Bible Class Resumes April 23rd at 6:30 pm

The Formula of Concord was the final Lutheran confession included in the Book of Concord of 1580. This confession addressed the doctrinal debate and disagreements that arose after the Reformation was firmly underway in German territories. Join us as we review what we believe as Lutheran Christians and why we believe these teachings.

Mowing Volunteers

Please sign up to help keep the church lawn mowed and trimmed this summer. A sign up sheet is available in the narthex. Mow as many or as few times as you would like. Contact Brent Canny with any questions.

Evangelism Committee

The restarted Evangelism Committee meets for the second time on Monday, May 5th at 6:00 pm. If you are someone who loves to connect others with the gospel of Jesus, we would love to have you join us for one meeting or more. Talk to Fred Jensen, Steve Winecke, or Pastor Pfeifer to find out more. May the Lord bless our efforts to bring the good news of Christ to our unchurched friends and neighbors.

Confirmation

Preston Virden and Elijah Norton will be confirmed on Sunday, May 4th at the 8:00 am service. A cake and punch reception will be held after the service.

As we did last year, the examination will take place during the week on Thursday, May 1st at 6:00 pm. All are invited to attend and not only encourage these young men, but to remind yourselves of the biblical truths you learned in Luther's Small Catechism.

Flower Pot Painting Family Event

Saturday, May 10 at 2 pm

Bring your children and invite friends to paint flower pots and plant your own flower garden. As we plant, we'll see God's beautiful plans for us revealed in three gardens in the Bible. Contact Nichelle at 712-304-5323 if you would like to help.

Thank You to Today's Helpers Accompanist: Donna Bakken Altar Guild: Candice Pippett & Andrea Travi Counters: Karl Kuhrt & Steve Winecke Streaming: Megan Bowman Ushers 8 am: Lee Bowman & Peter Nolte Ushers 10:30 am: Tom Oswald

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THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS April 20 - 27, 2025

Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship Easter Breakfast Worship
Wednesday	5:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:45 pm 6:45 pm	Catechism and Bible History Choir Evening Prayer Bible Class Children's Hand Bell Practice
Thursday	10:00 am	Women's Fellowship Group
Sunday	8:00 am 9:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am	Worship with Communion Homeless Meal Delivery Open Forum Sunday School Kunama Worship Worship with Communion

Our Mission is to nurture each other in God's Word and spread the Good News of Christ to all.



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