



The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 9, 8:45 & 11:15 am

Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals
Meditation and Rejoicing
Intrada Festiva

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)
Carson Cooman (b. 1982)
Hans Andre Stamm (b. 1958)

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN • ELW 365

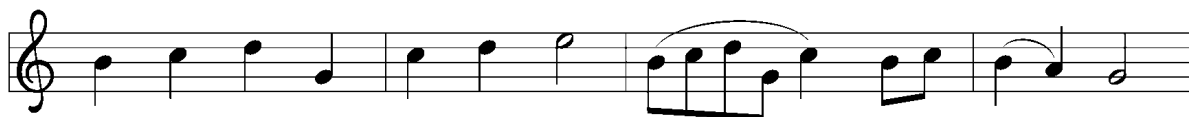
Jesus Christ is ris'n today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

GREETING

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

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. 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.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

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 sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The antiphon is introduced by the choir. Please sing the second time. The antiphon is subsequently sung once where indicated.

ANTIPHON

Psalm 118: 24

Organ: Everyone:

On this day the Lord has act-ed,

we will re-joyce and be glad in it.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

ALL REPEAT THE ANTIPHON

Choir: "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.

ALL REPEAT THE ANTIPHON

Choir: 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.

ALL REPEAT THE ANTIPHON

SECOND READING

Colosenses 3,1-4

Por lo tanto, ya que ustedes han sido resucitados con Cristo, busquen las cosas del cielo, donde Cristo está sentado a la derecha de Dios. Piensen en las cosas del cielo, no en las de la tierra. Pues ustedes murieron, y Dios les tiene reservado el vivir con Cristo. Cristo mismo es la vida de ustedes. Cuando él aparezca, ustedes también aparecerán con él llenos de gloria

Palabra de Dios
Gracias a Dios

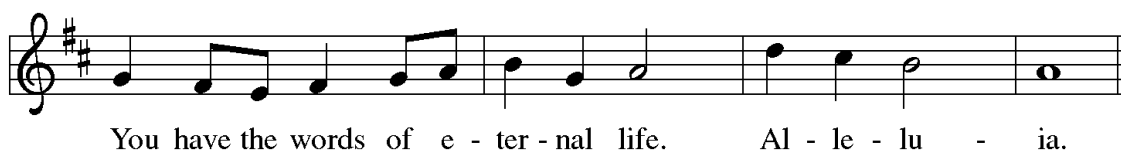
Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Miller

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY • ELW 366

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done



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



- 1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
- 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yaw - ning gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed you, from death's sting free your



tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza



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

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909

Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

After each portion of the prayers:

God of life,
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The risen Christ stood among the disciples and said, "Peace be with you."

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

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9100 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

CHORAL ANTHEM

Now Is the Hour of Darkness Past

Now is the hour of darkness past;
Christ hath assumed His reigning power.
Behold the great accuser cast
Down from the skies, to rise no more.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

'Twas by Thy blood, immortal Lamb,
Thine armies trod the tempter down.
'Twas by Thy Word, and powerful name
They gained the battle and renown.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Rejoice, ye heavens! Let every star
Shine with new glories around the sky!
Saints, while ye sing the heavenly war,
Raise your Redeemer's name on high!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: Walter Pelz (b. 1926)

Please stand as you are able.

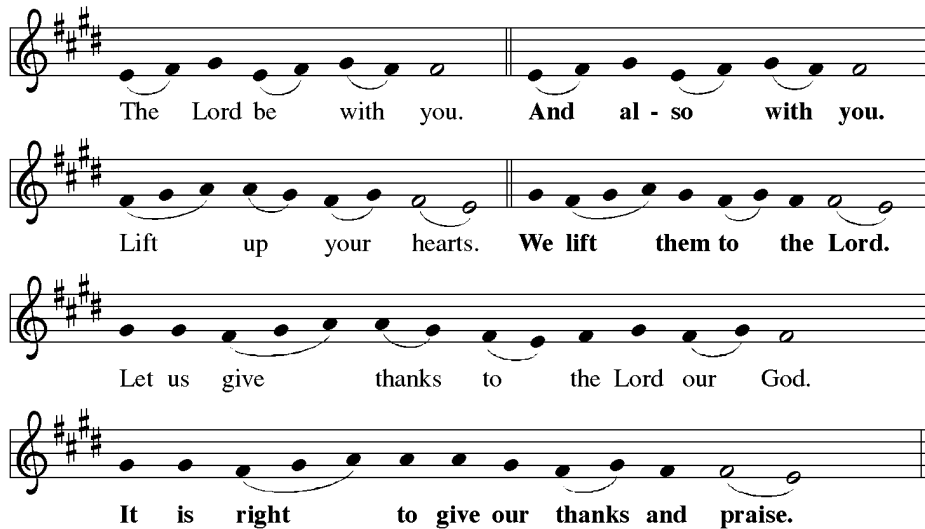
OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.

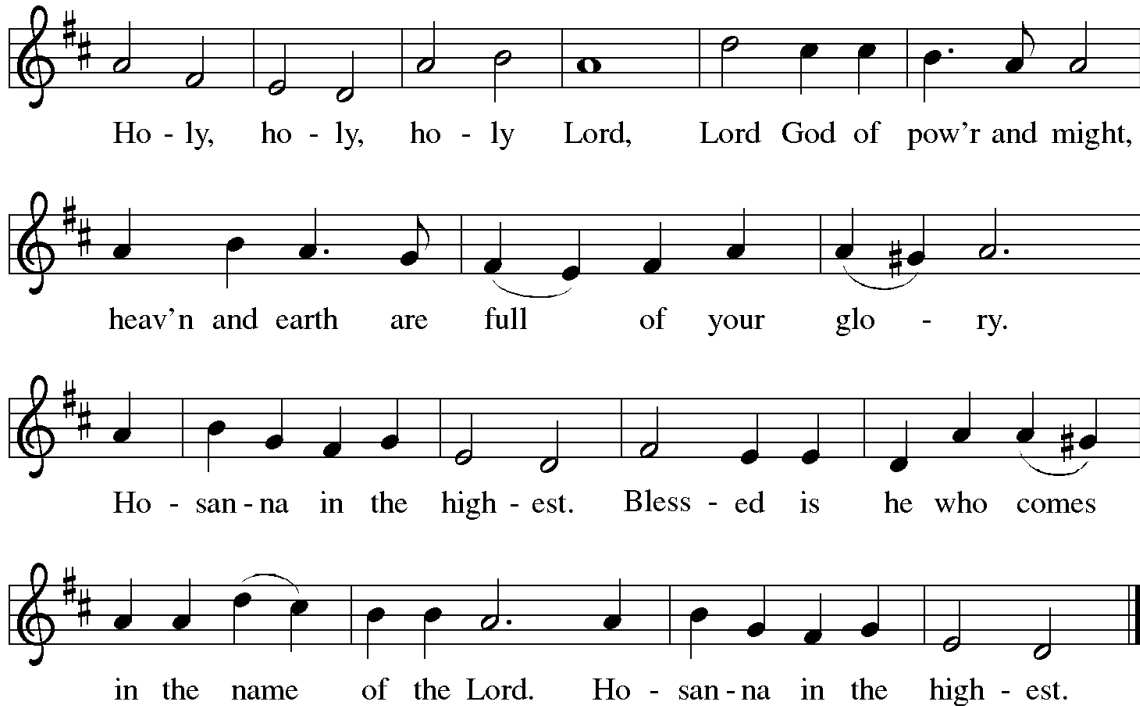
Amen.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please pray in your own preferred language.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga a nosotros tu reino,
hagase tu voluntad,
asi en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden;
y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion,
mas libranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ,
broken and poured out for you.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are two stations at the foot of the chancel steps. Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ. (Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server) Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say:

Amen.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN • ELW 379

Now the Green Blade Rises



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958
 Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol
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Please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let
ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - jice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Christ has gone to prepare a place for us.
May his resurrection bring you all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope.

Amen.

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

Amen

SENDING HYMN • ELW 376

Thine is the glory



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875-1939
Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685-1759

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Final from *Symphonie no. 1*

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

WORSHIP LEADERS

PRESIDING MINISTER

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, *Senior Pastor*

ASSISTING MINISTERS

The Rev. Franklin Morales, *Associate Pastor*

The Rev. Gary Nuss, *Support Pastor*

Deacon Kyle Warfield, *Director of Discipleship and Senior High Ministries*

The Rev. Richard Zawistoski, *Confirmation Pastor*

READERS

8:45 a.m. Marcia Laundry, Carlos Esquivel

11:15 a.m. Sharon Porter, Yenny Morales

CRUCIFER

8:45 a.m. Jennifer Duin

MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*

Schola Cantorum

Brass Quartet and Percussion

Trumpet 1 - Josh Silva

Trumpet 2 - Mike Ramos

Horn - Kevin Grasel

Trombone - Andrew Reich

Tuba - Luke Davey

Percussion—John Patton

WELCOME! CHRIST IS RISEN! When Christ was crucified, humanity died with him on Calvary. But as Easter dawned, a new world was born; a new age began. Easter, the paschal mystery, accomplished our salvation – the salvation of all human beings of every time. Jesus Christ is risen today! Yes, the risen Christ is here and now. Thank you for choosing to worship in person or online at Saint Luke. We pray God’s blessing on you as you join in worship, praise, on this blessed Easter Day. He is risen, indeed!

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This week at Saint Luke Lutheran Church

SUNDAY, April 9—The Resurrection of Our Lord

8:45 AM Festival Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship and Refreshments
11:15 AM Festival Worship
5:00 PM Misa de Pascua

MONDAY, April 10

OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 PM Yoga

TUESDAY, April 11

8:00 AM CDS Classes
10:00 AM Mary/Martha Circle (Hybrid)
4:30 PM Piano Lessons
7:00 PM Reformation Bells
7:00 PM ESL Class

WEDNESDAY, April 12

6:30 AM Zoom Faith Connections
8:00 AM CDS Classes
10:00 AM Women In Community
10:00 AM CDS Chapel
4:00 PM En Camino
5:30 PM Zoom Sara/Lydia Circle
7:00 PM ESL Class
7:30 PM AA

THURSDAY, April 13

8:00 AM CDS Classes
10:00 AM Emergency Drill
4:00 PM CARing Project
7:30 PM Zoom Centering Prayer

FRIDAY, April 14

8:00 AM CDS Classes

SATURDAY, April 15

9:00 AM Quilters
9:30 AM AA
10:00 AM Ready to Affirm Retreat
11:00 AM Al-Anon

SUNDAY, April 16—Second Sunday of Easter

8:45 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM SLSHY
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class
10:00 AM Reception
10:15 AM Up For Discussion (Hybrid)
11:15 AM Holy Communion
3:00 PM San Lucas Gospel Meditation online

*NB: Worship Services are in person and
livestreamed*

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Upcoming Commemorations

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian, died 1945

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Bonhoeffer was a German theologian who wrote profoundly, yet in an accessible manner. In the Second World War, he became a leader of the Confessing Church in Germany that resisted the Nazi movement. Linked to a plot to kill Hitler, he was hanged shortly before the end of the war.

Mikael Agricola, Bishop of Turku, died 1557

Monday, April 10, 2023

Consecrated bishop of Turku, Finland, without the approval of the pope, Agricola began a reform along Lutheran lines. In only three years, he translated the New Testament and worship texts into Finnish, in the process establishing the rules of Finnish writing that are still used today.

Today's Music

HYMN NOTES

Jesus Christ is risen today

Latin, 14th century

A five stanza Easter carol which first appeared in German and Bohemian manuscripts of the 14th century was translated in *Lyra Davidica*, but in John Arnold's 1749 *The Complete Psalmodist* only the first stanza was retained and others substituted for the original. In the same meter as Wesley's "Christ the Lord is risen today," it is made up of a series of short one-liners which are easy to remember, and with added Alleluias it is a favorite Easter hymn.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

The strife is o'er, the battle done

Anon. Latin, 17th century. Translation Francis Pott, 1832-1909

Pott, a member of the original committee for the monumental *Hymns Ancient and Modern* (1861), made his translation from a Latin hymn with three lines of text in eight syllables, followed by Alleluia. The simple, straightforward Easter text is suitably set to a tune based on a "Gloria Patri" from Palestrina's *Magnificat Tertii Toni* (1591). It is one of the simplest tunes in the hymnal, but one of the most effective.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

Now the green blade riseth

John Macleod Campbell Crum, 1872

At the request of the editors of the famous *Oxford Book of Carols*, Crum wrote an Easter text to be sung to the French Christmas carol tune, NO-EL NOUVELET. Its theme is the unquenchable and unkillable nature of love. Just as wheat dies in the ground, it rises to new life just as Christ was slain but rose from the grave. Springtime thus becomes a symbol of the Easter story.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

Thine is the glory

Edmond L. Budry, 1854-1932

The French hymn was written to be sung to the chorus "See, the conquering hero comes" from *Judas Maccabaeus*, an oratorio composed by George F. Handel at the suggestion of the Prince of Wales. It was translated into English for the polyglot *Cantate Domino* (1924) for use by the World Student Christian Federation. All hymns were in at least English, French and German (plus other languages for certain hymns) so that they could be used in international meetings with each person singing in his or her native tongue. —Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

Prelude

Sigfrid Karg-Elert was a German composer in the early twentieth century, best known for his compositions for pipe organ and reed organ. Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals is taken from *Portraits*, a remarkable collection of compositions, each an assimilation of the main characteristics of a famous composer's music. Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals was written as the epitome of a Handel chorus. This particular arrangement by Thomas Brantigan was made famous by the Denver Brass.

Carson Cooman is an American composer with a catalogue of works in many forms. He is in continual demand for new commissions, and his music has been performed on all six inhabited continents. Meditation and Rejoicing was commissioned by Christ Episcopal Church of Alameda, California and Matthew Burt, their music director for Easter 2005.

Hans-André Stamm is a German organist and freelance composer who lives in Leverkusen, near Cologne, in Germany. The Intrada Festiva for Brass Quintet and Organ is a short festive piece that nicely closes the prelude before today's Worship.

Choral Anthem: Now Is the Hour of Darkness Past – Walter Pelz

Walter Pelz presently plays recitals, hymn festivals and composes for the church after retiring as the Billue-Burnett Distinguished Professor of Music at Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas. He was born in 1926 in Chicago, and studied at Concordia University in River Forest, Illinois; Northwestern University; and the University of Minnesota. Now Is the Hour of Darkness Past was written for the Senior Choir of Messiah Lutheran Church in Lindsborg, Kansas. It begins with a festive introduction. The middle section alternates between organ and choir and is set in the minor mode. The ending is back in the major mode and ends with exuberant Alleluias.

Postlude: Final from Symphonie no. 1—Louis Vierne

Louis Vierne was a full generation removed from Franck, having studied primarily with Widor, and eventually became the organist at Notre-Dame de Paris in 1900, a position he held until he died on the organ bench in 1937. As the story goes, he had completed an organ recital, and as an encore was going to improvise a tune on two submitted themes. Before he could finish preparing, he had a stroke and fell off the bench, hitting a low "E" on the way down. Duruflé was in attendance at the concert and ran upstairs to the loft and was at Vierne's side as he died. Louis Vierne was blind from an early age, yet was truly one of the great musicians of his time. Unlike the other three composers on today's concert, Vierne composed Romantic music in his early period, but adapted to include some of the staples of 20th century French organ music by the end of his career.

The Final is one of the staples of the organ repertoire. It compares in grandeur to the famous final movement Toccata of Widor's Fifth Organ Symphony. The hands open with a memorable ostinato figure, while the opening melody is set in the deep bass of the pedalboard. The development section is one of the most creative sections of the entire symphony, transforming the main theme through many permutations in different ranges of the organ, and through many distant key centers. The recapitulation showcases an alteration of the opening ostinato, then in duplets, now in triplets. As the final climax builds, the pedals give one last flourish, encompassing the entire range of the pedalboard, before the last three chords resound through the sanctuary. Some of the subtle harmonic shifts and dissonances throughout the symphony are signs of the music Vierne is yet to write, as he further experiments with chromaticism and post-tonal concepts in his later works.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO gave gifts for **EARTHQUAKE RELIEF IN PLACE OF EASTER LILIES**. This support is needed now more than ever. Our prayers go out to all the displaced in our world. Again thank you for this act of resurrection.

THE FLOWERS ABOUT THE ALTAR, are given to the glory of God by Kathy Bergeron, in thanksgiving for the Saint Luke staff and the Saint Luke congregation.

EASTER LILY EARTHQUAKE DEDICATIONS

Pastors Eleanor and Bob Abarno in remembrance of their parents, Robert, Lucy, Charlie and Eleanor, and in honor of their children, Hope, Dave, John and Steve

Bassein-Roy Family in remembrance of Pastor Ken and Rhoda Mahler, and in honor of the clergy, staff and volunteers at Saint Luke

Martha and Martin Bell in remembrance of J. Grayson Bell, in remembrance of Loretta Bell, in remembrance of Adrian S. Propst, and in remembrance of Lucile Propst

James and Lorraine Bentley in remembrance of Pauline Anderson Halling, and in honor of the pastors and staff of Saint Luke

Andi Carlson in remembrance of Larry Carlson

Christine Ceder in remembrance of her husband Robert Efraim Ceder, in remembrance of her parents Isabelle and Samuel Mohr, and in honor of her children and their families

Dee Clarkin in remembrance of Philip Clarkin, in remembrance of Elaine Clarkin, and in remembrance of Chris Clarkin

Pam Collins, John Geiger, and Marcia Laundry, in remembrance of their parents, Peggie and Marcus Geiger
Carol and Tom Darnell in remembrance of their parents

Gerrie and Kim de Groot in remembrance of their parents, Rod and Thoma Petersen and Gerard and Maria de Groot

Susan M. DeHart in remembrance of Ken, Dorothy, Ken, Jr., and Tom DeHart

Allred Delancy in honor of Hudson Houston Allred

Blake Danser in remembrance of Michael Fitzgerald

Alma Edgerly in remembrance of Rod and Thoma Peterson, and in honor of the people of God at Saint Luke

Karen Evans in remembrance of James Evans

Carol Farrar in honor of Amy, Abigail, Andrew and Matthew Farrar, in honor of Jennifer, Jason and Eloise Kroitor, in remembrance of Kim McCabe, and in remembrance of Lois McCabe (Gramma!)

Ed Fenstermacher and Carol Jacobson, in remembrance of Marion and Cassel Jacobson, in remembrance of Margaret and Harvey Fenstermacher, and in honor of Erica, Thomas, Alex and Maple

Betty and Bob Fulton in honor of their 5 daughters and 8 grandchildren

Benjamin Gray in remembrance of Andrew Letcher, Mark and Jesse Hatcher, in remembrance of E.J. and Viola Gallus, in remembrance of Anna Marie and Bonnie Gallus, in remembrance of George Gray, and in remembrance of Rick Sliepen

Nancy Gurganus in honor of Pastor Beth Platz, and in remembrance of David and Alma Hudgel

Claudette Hamerski in remembrance of Claude and Emily Myers, and in remembrance of Hugh and Cleo Hamerski and Mary Viands

Ron Hebensperger in remembrance of Ron Hebensperger, Sr.

The Heinbaugh Family in remembrance of Jack S. Heinbaugh and Frances C. Heinbaugh, in remembrance of Charles E. Heinbaugh, Sr. and Lois L. Heinbaugh, in remembrance of Robert L. Heinbaugh and Gene M. Heinbaugh, and in honor of Charles Heinbaugh and Millie Heinbaugh

Marcia Laundry in remembrance of her beloved husband, Roger A. Laundry, and in remembrance of Marion Kahlert.

Kristen Lehman in remembrance of Karl Kamp

Ruth and Paul Manchester in honor of Sarah Manchester and family, in honor of Dan Manchester and family, in remembrance of Gilbert and Helen Garbisch, and in remembrance of Elbert and Peggy Manchester

Sarah Manchester in honor of Paul and Ruth Manchester

Scott and Lori McKay in remembrance of Paul Karpiscak, and in remembrance of Paul Van Karpiscak

MaryEllen Meagher in remembrance of Mary and Michael Wanchick Sr.

Janeth S. Mgeni in remembrance of Dr. Samuel Stima Mgeni, in remembrance of Nimwindael Samuel Mgeni

Pastor Miller in thanksgiving for the in-person and online Saint Luke community of faith

Gary and Ellen Miller in remembrance of their parents, who rest with God, in honor of Greg and Marne Miller, and Brent and Kijja Miller, in honor of James, Katie, Robert, Alexander, and Ellamaija Miller, and in honor of all current and former Saint Luke musicians

Ruth Moorman in honor of the Nuss family, in honor of the Gilbertson family and Abigail Moorman, in remembrance of Arthur Moorman, and in honor of the members of Saint Luke

Amelia Nuss, Sharon Nuss, and Ingrid Nuss Pyne, in honor Ann and Gary Nuss, in honor of their aunt, Ruth Moorman, and in remembrance of their grandparents, Al and Grace Hesse and Carl and Winnifred Nuss

Pastor Gary and Ann Nuss in remembrance of Carl and Winnefred Nuss, in remembrance of Alfred and Grace Hesse, in remembrance of Mary Nuss, sister of Gary Nuss, in honor of children, Amelia, Sharon, and Ingrid, and in thanksgiving for pastors and staff who have faithfully brought us God's Word throughout the covid pandemic

Anika O'Hara in remembrance of Mari-Ann Lind, beloved aunt who died on Easter Sunday 2017

Kacy Paide in honor of her husband Thomas, and in honor of Ruth Manchester

Kay Paide in remembrance of Tonis Paide, and in honor of Ruth Manchester

Sarah Province in remembrance of for the life and ministry of loved ones

Gwen Robinette in remembrance of her parents

Barbara Sanders in honor of Greg and Kate and Donna, and in remembrance of Harry Sanders

Bill and Joyce Schultz in remembrance of Clarence Schultz, Jane Schultz, and Debra Schultz

Wilson and Nancy Shaffer in remembrance of W. Earl and Dorothy D. Bricker, in remembrance of Albert and Natalie Shaffer, in honor of Erin Shaffer and Susan Lee, in honor of Michael, Katie, Brigid, Thomas, Thaddeus, and Brendan Shaffer

MaryAnn Shepherd in remembrance of her husband,

William Shepherd

Linda M Sherwood in honor of her children, Jeffrey and Chelsea for their love and commitment to family

Traude Smith in remembrance of Rudolf and Minnie Stamm, and in remembrance of Alexander and Margaret Smith

Carin Sprick in remembrance of her mother Lisa Elg, in remembrance of dear friend Britt Rosberg, in remembrance of dear friend Mona Carlsson, and in remembrance of dear friend Inger Palm

John and Elizabeth Tremaine in honor of the Goldschmidt family, relatives in Brazil, and in remembrance of beloved Angela Simons of Brazil, may she rest in peace

Deborah Van Buskirk in honor of her sons and their families, James, Monica, JJ, Marie, Clara, and Thomas, Maggie, Adaline, Jayce and new baby coming in July, and in remembrance of her mom and dad, Chaplain Engebret and Helen Midboe, and in honor of her sisters Kathy, Mimi and Sue

Diane VanLonkhuyzen in remembrance of John VanLonkhuyzen, and in remembrance of Doris and Robert Cross

Karla Berg Walker in honor of Saint Luke Quilters and Quilt Ministry, in this 25th Anniversary Year of this important LWR Ministry, that has hearts and hands helping others, and in honor of her grandchildren, Kayleigh, Emily, and Nolan Walker

Betty Wells in remembrance of Mary Silvia, in remembrance of Larry Mc Daniel

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HE IS RISEN, INDEED!

ALLELUIA!