RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 9, 2023



St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church 2695 Luther Drive | Chambersburg, Pennsylvania | 17202

"SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"

LITURGY OF LIGHT All stand and face the rear of the church.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people. Bless this flame and those who keep this Easter celebration so that, burning with desire for life with you, they may be found fit to take part in that festival of Light which has no ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Jesus Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the ending, Alpha and Omega; all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen

By his holy and glorious wounds, may Christ our Lord guard and keep us. **Amen**

The Paschal Candle is lighted.

May the light of Christ who rises this day in glory scatter the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Let us pray. Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Once we were in darkness, but since we have become the Lord's people, we are in the light. Help us to live as people who belong to the light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

As the Paschal is raised, the Presiding Minister proclaims the resurrection, shouting three times:

Christ is Risen!

He is risen indeed!

EASTER DIALOG

(boldly) Alleluia! Christ is risen! (boldly) He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

He gives us new life and hope through his resurrection! Alleluia!

Rejoice then, even in your distress.

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

God has claimed us as his own.

God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration

ELW 167

APOSTOLIC GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST LESSON Acts 10:34-43

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now declare,

"God's mercy endures forever."

The Lord is my strength and my song,

and has become my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!

The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!" I shall not die, but live.

and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord indeed punished me sorely,

but did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord;

here the righteous may enter."

I give thanks to you, for you have answered me

and you have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

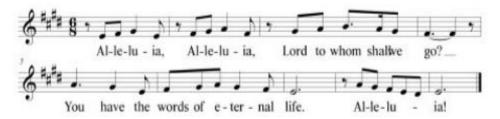
By the Lord has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4

VERSE



GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

ELW 364

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition:

Risen Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

PEACE

CHOIR ANTHEM Come and Praise the Risen Lord Joseph M Martin

OFFERTORY Lillies Archie Mumma

OFFERTORY HYMN As the Grains of Wheat ELW 465

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING (sing)



PREFACE FOR EASTER

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW 191

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR EASTER

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, 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.

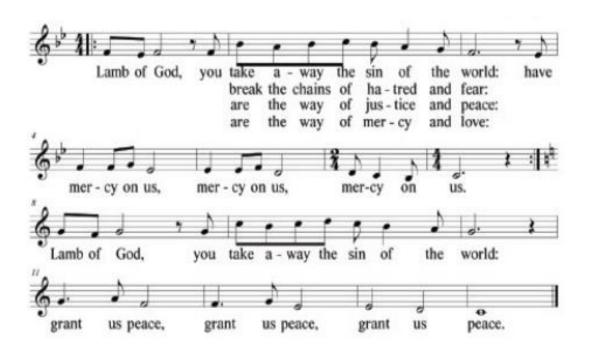
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

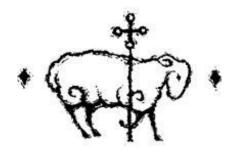
AT THE BREAKING OF BREAD

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ. Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.



LAMB OF GOD





COMMUNION

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

ELW 392, 380, 384, 361, 823, 619

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SOLEMN BLESSINGS OF EASTER

May almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter, and may he protect you against all sin. **Amen**

Through the resurrection of his Son, God granted us healing. May he fulfill his promises and bless you with eternal life. **Amen**

You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of his resurrection. May you come with joy to the feast which lasts forever. **Amen**

May almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen**

Go in peace. Serve the Risen Lord! Thanks be to God!

CLOSING HYMN The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

ELW 366

POSTLUDE Awake! the Dawn Appears! Steven Scott

EASTER FLOWERS

The following parishioners sponsored flowers and/or Women In Need

Terry & Carol Angstadt In Memory of Howard & Erma Angstadt

Terry & Carol Angstadt In Memory of Edward & June Tharp

Melanie Bays In Memory of Jennie Mao

Gail Cox In Memory of Her Dear Friend Dixie Barbour

Charles & Shelly Davies Our Children Sean & Luke

Missi Forrester in Memory of Troy Smith

Alan & Carol Grove In Memory of Our Parents

Lisa Horton In Memory of Stephen Horton

Nancy Hull In Memory of John Hull

Bob & Norma Huss In Memory of Loved Ones

Matt & Ella Jones In Memory of Jon & Sherry Jones

Jon Mao & Emily McCarty In Memory of Our Sister Jennie Mao

EASTER FLOWERS CONTINUED

Terry Messer & Lois Gibson In Memory of Donna, Mark and John

Terry Messer & Lois Gibson In honor of Paul and Lois

Linda Miller In Memory of Gil Miller

Linda Miller In Memory of Jon & Sherry Jones

Donna Ocker In Memory of Donald Ocker

Donna Ocker In Memory of Benjamin Ocker

Karl & Pat Shreiner In Memory of Loved Ones

Rob & Susie Snowberger in Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Diehl

Rob & Susie Snowberger in Memory of J. Robert Snowberger

Presiding Minister: Christopher Frye Assisting Minister: Anita Walter

Lector: Glenna Heckert

Communion Assistant: Dick Foster & Bob Huss

Acolyte: Paxton McGehee
Crucifer: Luke Davies
Greeter: Jerry & Cathy Peters
Altar Guild: Melanie Bays & Jon Mao
Ushers: Carl & Joanne Forrester

Offering Counters: Jerry & Cathy Peters
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Faith Formation/Christian Education

Sunday 8:45 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Holy Communion with Rite of Healing

Wednesday I I:00 a.m. (Chapel)

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