

PEACE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

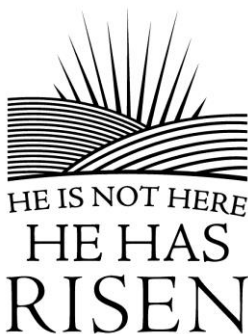
We love that you are here today! May your visit with us bring you closer to your Savior and the Christians with whom you worship. For your convenience, restrooms are located in the foyer by the library. There is a mothers room in the back of the sanctuary.

TODAY'S FOCUS

Christ's resurrection changes everything! This Easter morning we gather in silence. Think of the women walking to the tomb—scared, sad, heart-broken, expecting to see the body of Jesus. But then everything changed! "He is not here. He has risen!" Their sadness turned to joy as Easter changed everything. By Christ's death and resurrection, our eternity is changed forever. We are forgiven!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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Organist..... Mrs. Lynn Proeber
Soloist..... Samantha Anderson
Worship Coordinator Mrs. Kristin Huebner



EASTER SUNRISE

In this service is a compiled reading of the events that took place on the first Easter Sunday from the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John 20. We thank Pastor Pieter Reid whose work made this possible. All Scripture quotations are taken from the New International Version: Zondervan. (1984)

As we return from Good Friday, please observe silence before the worship service begins.

HYMN

Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending | red hymnal **29**

Soloist

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| 1) Lo, he comes with clouds descending, Once for ev'ry sinner slain. Thousand, thousand saints attending Swell the triumph of his train. Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ reveals his endless reign. | 2) Ev'ry eye shall now behold him Robed in glorious majesty; Those who ridiculed and sold him, Pierced and nailed him to the tree, Deeply wailing, deeply wailing, Shall the true Messiah see. |
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Congregation

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| 3) Those dear tokens of his passion Still his dazzling body bears, Cause of endless exultation To his ransomed worshipers. With what wonder, with what wonder, Gaze we on those glorious scars. | 4) Yea, Amen, let all adore you High on your eternal throne. Ev'ry knee shall bow before you; Come and take your people home! Alleluia! Alleluia! You shall reign and you alone! |
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Please stand

N= Narrator; M= Minister; C= Congregation

RESURRECTION ACCOUNT

(N) When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices so that they might anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they went to the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were on their way to the tomb with the spices they had prepared and they asked each other,

C **"Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"**

(N) But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away from the tomb. But when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

HYMN

He's Risen | red hymnal **143 vs.1-3**

**1) He's risen, he's risen,
Christ Jesus the Lord;
He opened death's prison,
The incarnate Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven,
in jubilant song
And earth, sea and mountain
the praises prolong.**

**2) The foe was triumphant
when on Calvary
The Lord of creation
was nailed to the tree.
In Satan's domain
did the hosts shout and jeer.
For Jesus was slain
whom the evil ones fear.**

**3) But short was their triumph;
the Savior arose,
And death, hell, and Satan
He vanquished, his foes.
The conquering Lord
lifts his banner on high;
He lives, yes, he lives,
and will nevermore die.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M God, you made the dawn of this most holy day shine with the glory of our Lord's Resurrection. Grant that we who have been raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated

RESURRECTION ACCOUNT

(N) While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men dressed in white robes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground. The angel said to the women,

C **"Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen! Remember how He told you, while He was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' He is not here; He has risen, just as He said."**

(N) Then they remembered His words. The angel said to the women,

C **"Come and see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples and Peter 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see Him,' just as He told you. Now I have told you."**

(N) Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell His disciples.

HYMN

Awake, My Heart With Gladness | red hymnal 156

RESURRECTION ACCOUNT

(N) Mary of Magdala came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said,

C **"They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put Him!"**

(N) So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. Peter, however, went away, wondering to himself what had happened. They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes, but Mary stood outside the tomb crying.

HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today | red hymnal 149

RESURRECTION ACCOUNT

(N) As Mary wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her,

C **"Woman why are you crying?"**

(N) She said,

C **"They have taken my Lord away, and I don't know where they have put Him"**

(N) At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. He said,

[Jesus]: "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

(N) Thinking He was the gardener, she said,

C **"Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have put Him, and I will get Him."**

(N) Jesus said to her,

[Jesus] "Mary."

(N) She turned toward Him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!," which means Teacher. Jesus said,

[Jesus] "Do not hold on to Me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

HYMN

Jesus Lives, the Victory's Won | red hymnal 145

RESURRECTION ACCOUNT

(N) When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had driven seven demons. The other women ran to tell His disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them.

[Jesus] *"Greetings,"*

(N) He said. They came to Him, clasped His feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them,

[Jesus] *"Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."*

(N) While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, telling them,

C **"You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole Him away while we were asleep.' If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble."**

(N) So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. While the other women were on their way, Mary Magdalene went to the disciples who were mourning and weeping with the news:

C **"I have seen the Lord!"**

HYMN

This Is the Threefold Truth | red hymnal 406 vs.1-3

SERMON

Mark 16:6

"The Tomb Was Empty"

Please stand when presider indicates

HYMN

This Is the Threefold Truth | red hymnal 406 vs.4-5

Please be seated

OFFERING

Members of Peace have committed themselves to support the ministry of this church through the offering. Our guests should not feel obliged to participate. We do ask that you would sign a "guest" card from the pew in front of you and drop it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Please stand

EASTER PRAYER

M Oh, that my words were recorded, that they were written on a scroll.

C **that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead, or engraved in rock forever!**

M I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God;

C **I myself will see him with my own eyes—I and not another. How my heart yearns within me!** (Job 18:23-27)

M Precious Savior Jesus Christ, we thank and praise you that by your suffering on the cross you endured the very agony of hell for us, and that by your death you have reconciled us to God. But on this day we especially thank and praise you for your resurrection from the dead. It proves that you are God's Son and seals your sacrifice as the full payment for our sins. O Jesus, may we never cease to praise you with our hearts and lips for all that you have so graciously done for our salvation!

C **How my heart yearns within me!**

M Our Savior, we need you every moment of every day; be with us and shower upon us your promised grace and blessings. As our exalted Prophet, instruct and encourage our hearts with the gospel of forgiveness and help us grow in our faith and knowledge of salvation. As our exalted High Priest, hear us when we pray in your name and intercede at our Father's throne on our behalf. As our exalted King, watch over us day by day, protecting us from all danger, guarding and keeping us from all evil. Preserve us to your heavenly kingdom by granting us daily repentance and renewal of faith.

C **How my heart yearns within me!**

M Lord of Love, you have awakened us to a new life. You have assigned us the high

calling of serving you in the people around us. Give us generous hearts. Help us to act in love toward our fellow believers, to make others feel welcome, and to be glad for their company. Move us to assume the best about everyone. Make us feel privileged to serve, needing no other recognition than the glory you have already won for us in heaven. Use us, Lord, our wealth and abilities, our love and our devotion to bless other people and bring them, along with us, to the unending joy of eternal life.

C How my heart yearns within me!

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

HYMN

Welcome Happy Morning | red hymnal 163

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C Amen.



M: Let us praise the Lord.



C: Thanks be to God.

BLESSING



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

HYMN

He's Risen | red hymnal 143 vs. 4-5

4) Oh, where is your sting, death?

We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open
Is fair Eden's door.
For all our transgressions
His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven,
We now are his own.

5) Then sing your hosannas

And raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings
That all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise
to the Lamb that was slain,
Who now sits in glory
and ever shall reign.

HYMN

He's Risen | *red hymnal* **143 vs. 4-5**