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The **FESTIVAL** *of the* **RESURRECTION**
of our **LORD**

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The Festival of the Resurrection of Our Lord

SERVICE NOTES

Thank you for being with us today to celebrate Easter. Today is the highest festival in the church year because on this day Jesus Christ rose from the dead to be our Savior. When he came out of the tomb, he defeated sin, death, and the devil. For thousands of years, Christians have remembered this victory by greeting each other with the Easter greeting: "Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!"



BEFORE WORSHIP

As you prepare to worship your Lord today, spend a few quiet minutes in prayer before the service. Review the lessons, the service notes, and pray this prayer:

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in the newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever. Amen.

INFORMATION

Restrooms are located across the hallway as you exit the gymnasium by the water foundations.

A Mother's Room is available for your use at any time during the service. It's located down the hallway to the right as you exit the gymnasium by the water fountains.

Children's Activity Sheets give activities and lesson pertaining to the Scripture lessons for the day. Pick one up at the information table or speak to an usher.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Paul M. Seager, pastor of Christ Alone
Michele LaRocque, keyboardist



THE FESTIVAL OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

please stand

L(leader): In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C(ongregation): Amen.

L: Dear friends in Christ, today we come together to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord.
Let us draw near to him in worship and praise, in our thoughts and in our prayers.

Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

L: This is the day the Lord has made!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L: Come, let us worship!

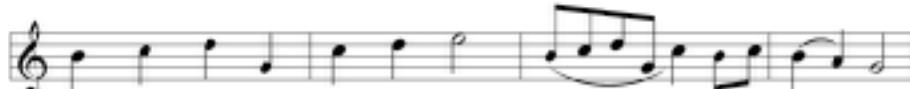
C: Amen.



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



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our sa - va - tion have pro - cured,
 Praise e - ter - nal as his love,



Who did once up - on the cross,
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise him, all you heav'n - ly host,



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

CONFESSION

L: Upon the hill the cross now stands empty. Morning light breaks upon the tomb. As we come before our God and King, let us confess our sins.

C: Lord God, I humbly come before you. I confess that I am sinful in thought, word, and deed. I daily fail to do what you command, and continually do what you forbid. Lord, I am sorry for my sins. I believe that for the sake of my Lord Jesus Christ, you will have mercy on me.

ABSOLUTION

L: Upon this your sincere confession, by Christ's command and authority, I assure you that your sins are all forgiven. The vacant cross and the empty grave are God's signs to you that he has accepted the sacrifice of his one and only Son. Whoever believes this simple truth of Scripture has eternal life. The Lord is gracious and righteous!

C: When I was in great need, he saved me.

L: The Lord is my strength and my song;

C: He has become my salvation.

The congregation sings:

**Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of life who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.**

HOLY BAPTISM

*Cameron Elisabeth Lutz & Audree Grace Lutz
children of Steve and Kari Lutz*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

The leader says the Prayer of the Day.

C: Amen.



THE TOMB IS EMPTY

by David Haas

The congregation sings verses 1-4 and the choir sings verse 5.

1. The tomb is emp - ty, is emp - ty!
2. The tomb is emp - ty, is emp - ty!
3. The tomb is emp - ty, is emp - ty!
4. The tomb is emp - ty, is emp - ty!
5. The tomb is emp - ty, is emp - ty!

Come and see where once the
Come and hear these words of
Come and touch the stone and
Come and meet the ris - en
Go and serve all peo - ple who

bod - y lay. Can it be
life and peace: "He is not
fold - ed shroud. Christ lives in -
Christ our Lord in whom we
long to be free! Raise those who

true, be true that Je - sus Christ
here, not here. He lives a - gain
deed, in - deed. Al - le - lu - ia!
have, we have our vic - to - ry,
sleep, who sleep in tombs of fear,

is raised to life to - day?
in all your Ga - li - lees."
Be - liev - ers, shout a - loud.
in whom is life re - stored.
and give them eyes to see!

Sing al - le - lu - ia! Sing al - le -
lu - ia!

The Word of God

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST LESSON

Job 19:23-27

- 23 "Oh, that my words were recorded,
that they were written on a scroll,
24 that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead,
or engraved in rock forever!
25 I know that my redeemer lives,
and that in the end he will stand on the earth.
26 And after my skin has been destroyed,
yet in my flesh I will see God;
27 I myself will see him
with my own eyes—I, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!



PSALM 118

Refrain



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

Chorus: Refrain

All: Refrain

Chorus: O let the house of Israel say: God's loving kindness forever will stay.
As great is your mercy to us in our day, Alleluia!

All: Refrain

Chorus: When I was falling you lifted me high. You will not suffer your servant
to die. So like a trumpet your praises I cry, Alleluia!

All: Refrain

Chorus: As with the light in the heavens you played, as when the seas in their
boundaries you laid. This is the night that your mercy has made,
Alleluia!

All: Refrain.



SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²² For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³ But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.

²⁴ Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Refrain

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

Chorus: Refrain

All: Refrain

Chorus: O sons and daughters let us sing the King of heaven, our glorious King, from death for us rose triumphing, Alleluia!

All: Refrain

Chorus: How blest are they who have not seen and yet whose faith has constant been, for they eternal life shall win, Alleluia!

All: Refrain Refrain

THE EASTER GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

please stand

¹ When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶ "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

⁸ Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**





1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In praise of
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, There - fore our
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love: Set heart and
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And with the



love that still a - bounds: *Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 heart with rap - ture sings: *Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 will on things a - bove That we con - quer through your tri - umph;
 heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: *Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!"



Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of
 Now still he comes to give us life And by his pres - ence
 Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day That by our lives we
 Be to the Fa - ther and our Lord, To Spir - it blest, most



glo - ry here: Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
 stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 tru - ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 ho - ly God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Peace for the Broken

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.

be seated

Thanksgiving

OFFERING

The members of Christ Alone Lutheran Congregation have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Throughout the prayer, when the leader says, "Lord, in your mercy..." the congregation responds by saying, "**Hear our prayer!**"*

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

LORD'S BLESSING

L: Now may the glorious Father, who by his power raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, give you the Spirit of wisdom to know the hope to which he has called you. And may He preserve you in body, soul, and spirit until our own resurrection on the day of Christ Jesus. Let all God's people say, "AMEN!"

C: **AMEN!**

L: Christ is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed!**

CLOSING HYMN

I Know that My Redeemer Lives | 152



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
 3 He lives to bless me with his love; He lives to
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to
 5 He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to



this sweet sea - teres gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save. He lives all - glo - rious
 plead for me a - bove. He lives, my lux - ury
 guide me with his eye. He lives to calm my
 wipe a - way my tears. He lives to



care was dead, He lives, my ex - ce - liv - ing God!
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed these on high.
 soul to feel; He lives to help in time of need.
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart. He lives all bless - ings to im - part.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
 He lives and loves me to the end He lives, and I shall conquer death.
 He lives, and while he lives I'll sing. He lives my mansion to prepare,
 He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King. 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 His sentence gives:
 "I know that my Redeemer lives!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Visitors and Guests: We are glad that you are with us this morning, and we pray that you will worship with us again soon. God's richest blessings to you!

Refreshments and Easter Egg Hunt: Following worship, join us for some refreshments and an Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

Easter Egg Hunt Instructions:

Bags are available if you need one.

The eggs are Resurrection Eggs - that means they are empty like Jesus' tomb!

Collect a bag of eggs then go to one our candy stations to trade in your eggs for candy.

Faithbuilders Class: Our Faithbuilders class is for people interested in becoming members of Christ Alone, or for people just looking to build their faith through the study of the basic teachings of the Bible. A new class will begin the week of April 16th. If you would like to attend, contact Pastor Seager. Free childcare is available.

Easter Lilies: If you purchased an Easter lily, please take your flower(s) home with you after worship. Thank you.

Join Us for Upcoming Worship Opportunities at Christ Alone!

Every Sunday at 10:30am!

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