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Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM



The Resurrection of Our Lord

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AS WE GATHER

Though Christmas may be our favorite, Paul reminds us that Easter is of “first importance.” If Christ had not arisen, our hope would be still locked in the tomb. Because He is risen, just as He said, we have hope of our own resurrection from the dead and look forward to the life everlasting, which death cannot touch. We come here today not simply to remember an event but to rejoice in the future made possible for us because of what happened. Before the world we confess that Jesus’ resurrection is not a hope but a fact witnessed by more than five hundred and on that fact God has built a future for us—one we anticipate now even as we wait to see it fulfilled.

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Easter Praises”

Bell Choir

Please stand as you are able.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

People: But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Pastor: Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him that he may save us.

People: This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

LSB 457



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 endured, Al - le - lu - ia!
Δ 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 ye 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!

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the (✠) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Blessed by God, who chose us in Christ, let us come to the fountain of mercy.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Living God,
People: **in the light of the resurrection, we rejoice to see our Lord Jesus, by whose wounds we have been healed. Trusting in your promise of mercy, we repent of our sins. Forgive our quickness to turn from you and our slowness of heart to believe. Renew in us the grace of baptism, and guide us in the way of truth and life. Amen.**

Pastor: In great mercy, God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In obedience to our Lord's command, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the (✠) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

HYMN "He is Exalted"

Verse

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high
I will praise Him
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name

Chorus

He is the Lord
Forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth
Rejoice in His holy name
He is exalted
The King is exalted on high

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GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, whom with you and the Holy Spirit we worship and praise, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

EPISTLE

Colossians 3:1-4

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL "Halle, Halle, Halle"

Soloist: Now Christ is raised up from death, he will never die again. All who follow his way shall have life in him: Hallelujah, hallelujah. Refrain All.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 28th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

GOSPEL RECESSIONAL "Halle, Halle, Halle"

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
 le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
 lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *Jeremy Becker, Director of Youth and Family Ministry*

HYMN OF THE DAY "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" *LSB 461*

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
 this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort
 once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

SERMON

"He is Risen"

Pastor Scott Henze

APOSTLES' CREED

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

Petitions end, "In the name of the Risen Lord," Congregation responds, "Hear our prayer."

GATHERING OF GIFTS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: Amen.

***A word about Holy Communion:** We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements. For those who prefer a non-alcoholic option please know that the center of the communion tray is white grape juice.*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand as you are able.

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.



PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

People: **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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

AGNUS DEI



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise"
"Thine is the Glory"

Adult Choir
Bell Choir

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

HYMN "Resurrection Hymn"



1. See, ___ what a morn - ing, glo - rious - ly bright, with the
 2. See ___ Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where ___ is He laid?" As in
 3. One ___ with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the



dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave clothes,
 sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears ___ a voice speak - ing,
 Spir - it who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty, hon - our and bless - ing,



tomb ___ filled with light, as the an - gels an - nounce Christ is ris - en! ___
 call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life ___ a - gain! ___
 glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty! ___



See God's sal - va - tion ___ plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, ___ paid in
 The voice that spans the ___ years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, ___ bring - ing
 And we are raised with ___ Him, death is dead, love has won, ___ Christ has



sa - cri - fice, ___ ful - filled in Christ, the ___ Man, for He
 peace ___ to us, ___ will sound till He ap - pears, for He
 con - quered; - And we shall reign with ___ Him, for He



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EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Christ is risen!

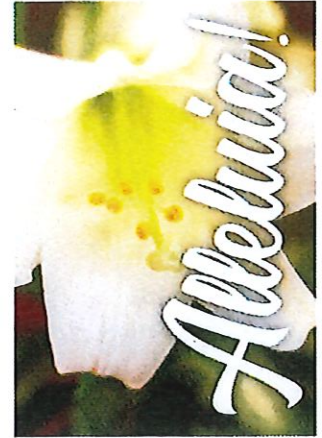
People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Christ indeed has been raised from the dead.

People: Christ is risen!

Pastor: He is risen indeed!

People: Alleluia!



HALLELUJAH CHORUS

All are encouraged to sing along with the choir, a copy of the Hallelujah Chorus can be found in pew.