



## Divine Service for Easter "Sunrise"

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - 6:00 a.m.

*Processional Hymn* (please rise and face the Processional Cross at the rear of the church)

### "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

[LSB #465...vs. 1, 2 and 4]

1. Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here:  
"Christ has triumphed, Christ has triumphed!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
2. Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Now still He comes to give us life And by His presence stills all strife.  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
4. Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav'nly blessed sing:  
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"  
Be to the Father and our Lord, To Spirit blest, most holy God,  
All the glory, never ending!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Opening Dialogue* (adapted from Revelation 1:4-6, 7:9-12)

- P: Grace and peace to you from Him who is, who was, and who is to come, from our Lord Jesus Christ who is the faithful witness, the Firstborn of the dead, and the Ruler of the kings of the earth.
- C: **To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood, and has made us a kingdom and priests to serve God the Father--- to Him be glory and power forever and ever! Amen!**
- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- P: The uncountable multitude of nations and peoples stand before the Lamb upon His throne and cry out with a loud voice:

- C:**     **Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne and to the Lamb!**
- P:**     And all the angels around the throne worship Him saying:
- C:**     **Blessing and honor, glory and thanksgiving, power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.**
- P:**     And all the creatures of the earth shout:
- C:**     **Amen!**
- P:**     And all the saints and angels shout:
- C:**     **Amen!**
- P:**     And the people of the Lamb shout:
- C:**     **Amen and Amen!**

### *Hymn of Praise*

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

[LSB #469...vs. 1-3]

1. “Christ the Lord is risen today!”  
Saints on earth and angels say;  
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, reply.
2. Love’s redeeming work is done,  
Fought the fight, the battle won;  
Lo! Our Sun’s eclipse is over. Lo! He sets in blood no more.
3. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;  
Christ hath burst the gates of hell.  
Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened paradise.

### *Invocation, Confession and Absolution*

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son **✠** and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Brothers and sisters in Christ...     *(Pastor leads us in a time of confession)*

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Trusting this as your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of God, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son **✠** and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

**C:** **The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son ☩ and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P:** This is the day the Lord has made.

**C:** **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**P:** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C:** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!** *(Please be seated)*

### *Hymn of Response*

**“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**

[LSB #469...vs. 4-6]

4. Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?
5. Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll'wing our exalted Head.  
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
6. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Praise to Thee by both be given.  
Thee we greet triumphant now; Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

### *1<sup>st</sup> Reading*

- Acts 10:34-43

So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears Him and does what is right is acceptable to Him. As for the word that He sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (He is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. And we are witnesses of all that He did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put Him to death by hanging Him on a tree, but God raised Him on the third day and made Him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with Him after He rose from the dead. And He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that He is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.”

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

- 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. 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<sup>l</sup> life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory

## Gospel

- Matthew 28:1-10

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. 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. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. 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." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and 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, and there they will see me."

## Sermon Hymn

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

[LSB #477]

1. Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation bled -  
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.
2. Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:  
See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat;  
Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,  
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.

(continues)

3. Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high:  
Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!  
Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

*Sermon*

**“Everyone... !!”**

*Offering / Special Music*

**“Crown Him Lord This Easter Day!”**

*Vocal Ensemble / trumpet*

*Prayer of the Church*

*Nicene Creed*

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth  
And of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day, He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Celebration of the Lord's Supper*

**P: The Lord be with you.**

**C: And also with you** *(continues)*

- P: Lift up your hearts.  
 C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P: Let us pray...

*Lord's Prayer*

**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 / Holy Communion*

*Distribution Hymns*

*please be seated*

**"The Lamb"**

[LSB #547]

1. The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
 Faith sees, believes - God will provide the Lamb of price!

*Chorus:* **Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!  
 The Lamb is reigning on His throne!**

2. The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.  
 The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. *Chorus*
3. The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill.  
 So still, His will on our behalf the Law to fill. *Chorus*
4. He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
 He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. *Chorus*
5. He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.  
 His song...prolong till every heart to Him belong. *Chorus*

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

[LSB #475]

1. Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!  
Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. The Lord of life is ris'n this day;  
Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;  
Let all the world rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. Praise we in songs of victory  
That love, that life which cannot die,  
And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
4. Your name we bless, O risen Lord,  
And sing today with one accord  
The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

“Our Paschal Lamb, that Sets Us Free”

[LSB #473]

1. Our Paschal Lamb, that sets us free... Is sacrificed. O keep...  
The feast of freedom gallantly; Let alleluias leap:  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Again**  
**Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!**
2. Let all our lives now celebrate... The feast; let malice die.  
Let love grow strong anew, and great, Let truth stamp out the lie.  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Again**  
**Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!**
3. Let all our deeds, unanimous, Confess Him as our Lord  
Who by the Spirit lives in us, The Father's living Word.  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Again**  
**Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!**

*Easter Prayer and Benediction*

Closing Hymn

*(please rise)*

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

- ALL: Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- Women:* Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
- ALL: **Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!**  
**Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**
- Men:* But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
- ALL: **Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!**  
**Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**
- ALL: Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! A--men