

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**The Feast of the Resurrection of  
our Lord**

**March 31, 2024**

**Divine Service II**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

**PRAYERS OF PREPARATION** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Elder:** Mark Bernhardt

**Ushers:** Mark Varvil & Roger Jeschke

**Greeter:** Deleen Nehls

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Cara Zietz & Angela Pynaker

**Kids' activity and Easter Brunch following the Divine Service**

## Prelude

*Please observe a time of silence and prayer in preparation for worship.  
Stand and face the processional cross.*

### +EASTER PROCESSIONAL+

*The service begins as the pastor chants the Easter hymn, after which the Easter Acclamation is joyfully proclaimed three times. The procession enters to the opening hymn.*

*Christ is risen, from the dead,  
Trampling down death by death  
And upon those in the tomb bestowing life.*

Three Times:

**P** Christ has risen!

**G** He has risen indeed! Alleluia!

## Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds Confession and Absolution

LSB 465  
p167

### +SERVICE OF THE WORD+

## Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

LSB 487

## Kyrie

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## All Glory Be To God on High

LSB 947

*Congregation:*

The image shows the musical notation for the hymn 'All Glory Be To God on High'. It consists of five staves of music in a single system, all in treble clef and G major. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The final note of the fifth staff is a double bar line.

I All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His  
fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A  
child of God for - ev - er. God shows His good and  
gra - cious will And grants His peace, the world to fill—  
All strife at last has end - ed.

Women:

- 2 We praise and laud and worship You;  
We give You thanks forever,  
O Father, for Your rule is true  
And just and changes never.

With boundless pow'r, Your mighty reign  
Fulfills whatever You ordain.

Lord, grant us ev'ry blessing!

Men:

3 O Jesus Christ, the only Son  
Begotten of the Father,  
Your saving death has made us one  
With God and with each other.  
O Lamb of God, to You on high  
In our distress we sinners cry,  
Have mercy on us, amen!

*Congregation:*

4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And source of con - so -  
la - tion, Pro - tect us from the dev - il's might Through  
Je - sus, our sal - va - tion, Who by His death up -  
on a tree Has res - cued us from mis - er - y:  
To this we hold for - ev - er.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

*p172*

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Sit*

### I Know That My Redeemer Lives

*LSB 461, v 1-4*

### Old Testament Reading

*Job 19:23-27*

<sup>23</sup>“Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

<sup>24</sup>Oh that with an iron pen and lead

they were engraved in the rock forever

<sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

<sup>26</sup>And after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
yet in my flesh I shall see God,

<sup>27</sup>whom I shall see for myself  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!”

## **I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

*LSB 461, v 5-8*

### **Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 15:12-25*

<sup>12</sup>Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup>But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. <sup>15</sup>We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup>For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. <sup>17</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup>Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup>If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

*Stand*

### **+GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL+**

#### ***Christ the Lord Is Risen Today***

*Choir and chimes*

#### **Holy Gospel**

*Mark 16:1-8*

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.

<sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And

entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

## Nicene Creed

### *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

*Sit*

*p174*

*Choir and chimes*

## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

*LSB 457*

## Homily

*Stand*

### Prayer of the Church - Litany of the Resurrection

**A** O Lord,

**C** have mercy.

**A** O Christ,

**C** have mercy.

**A** O Lord,

**C** have mercy.

**A** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

**C** hear us.

**A** Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who foretold Your passion saying, "The Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise again,"

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who destroyed death by dying, and by rising to life again brought life and immortality to light,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Whose resurrection was first announced by an angel to the women,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who appeared to Mary Magdalene and was worshiped by her,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who revealed Yourself to the two disciples on the Emmaus road and

made Yourself known to them in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who appeared to the disciples, bestowing on them Your peace and Your Spirit,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who showed Your wounded hands and side to the apostle Thomas that he too might believe,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who appeared to seven disciples on the Sea of Tiberias, bringing a miraculous catch of fish,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who appeared to Peter and to the Twelve, to over 500 disciples, to James and to all the apostles, and to Paul on the Damascus road,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Who commissioned Your Church to make disciples of all nations by baptizing and teaching them,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** By Your glorious resurrection from the dead,

**C** good Lord, deliver us.

**A** By Your victory over sin and death,

**C** good Lord, deliver us.

**A** By the majesty of Your risen body,

**C** good Lord, deliver us.

**A** We poor sinners implore You

**C** to hear us, Lord Jesus.

**A** That we may daily die and rise with You in our Baptism and walk in the freedom of Your forgiveness,

**C** grant us, good Lord.

**A** That we may set our minds on things above and not on earthly things, serving as we have been served by You,

**C** grant us, good Lord.

**A** That we may dwell with You forever in the new creation as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem, together with all the saints,

**C** grant us, good Lord.

**A** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy on us.

**A** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** grant us Your peace.

**A** O Lord,

- C** have mercy.
- A** O Christ,
- C** have mercy.
- A** O Lord,
- C** have mercy. Amen.

## Offertory - New Testament Canticle



**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He



lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to



sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -





*Sit*

**Death, Where is Your Sting?**

*Choir*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

**Preface**

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**Sanctus**

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Lord's Prayer**

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**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution**

**At The Lamb's High Feast**

*LSB 633*

**Christ the Lord is Risen Today: Alleluia**

*LSB 463*

**We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God**

*LSB 941*

**Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing**

*LSB 475*

**Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

*LSB 469*

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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***The Lord Bless You and Keep You***

*Choir*

**Benediction**

**Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia**

*LSB 466*

**+ V D M A +**

**Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum  
The Word of the Lord endures forever**

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Rick Zuehls, Rianon Padro, Exavier Padro, and veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Kathy Krause (niece of Jane Gundlach), Carl Jagow (cousin of Ted Scholz), Betty Nemeth (sister of Mary Jo Jiter), Judy Dissen, Michelle Knull, Diane Ciesielczyk (aunt of Vicky Nelson), Helen Nelson (mother of Kelvin Nelson), Pamela Hammond (daughter of Kathy Knutell), Bob Halvorson (relative of Vicky Nelson), and Amy Vallis.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>+**

- ✘ **HELP NEEDED:** If you are able, please help rearrange the fellowship hall after the Easter brunch in preparation for the spring primary election day on Tuesday.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 3/29:	\$66,071
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 3/29:	\$53,740
Difference:	-12,331
Restricted contributions YTD as of 3/29:	\$3,403
Mortgage Balance as of 3/18:	\$21,018

**ATTENDANCE 3/24: 133**

**BIRTHDAYS**

3/31 Christa Hegland  
Gail Kulbacki  
4/4 Mark Bernhardt

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

4/4 Jim Sandberg

**ANNIVERSARIES**

4/1 Bill & Pam Walsh (25)