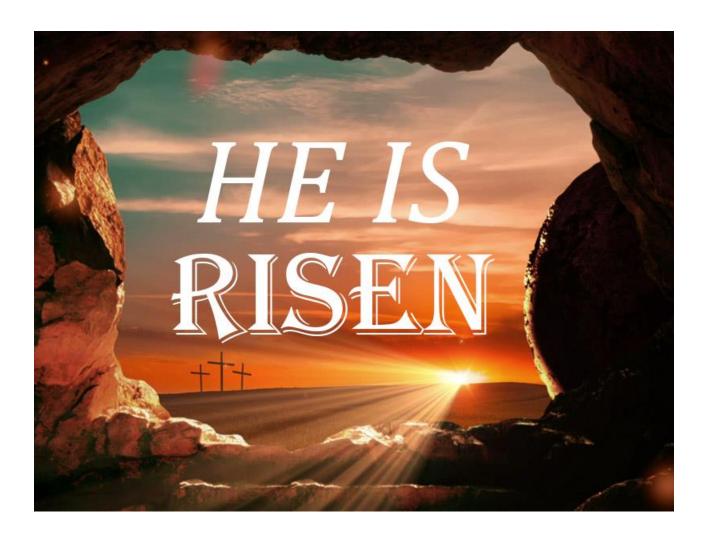
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RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: EASTER DAY MARCH 31, 2024

## March 31, 2024

Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day

Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. With Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, we may feel astonished and confused, unsure of what to make of the empty tomb. But this is why we gather: to proclaim, witness, praise, and affirm the liberating reality of Christ's death and resurrection. In word and feast, we celebrate God's unending love, and depart to share this good news with all the world. Alleluia!

#### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES - ALLELUIA RETURNS!

"Alleluia" from Exsultate, Jubilate, K. 165 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart arr. John Leavitt

#### \*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Immersed in the promises of baptism, we give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

#### Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen. Here is our water of life! Alleluia!



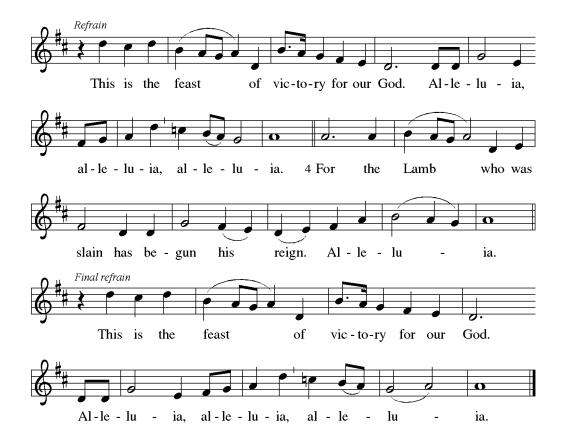
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## \*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

# **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**





#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

**CHOIR ANTHEM** I Will Rise arr. Mary McDonald

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

A reading from Acts.

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—

he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

(read responsively between lector and congregation, beginning with the lector)

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the <sup>|</sup>LORD is good; God's mercy en- <sup>|</sup> dures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel | now declare,

"God's mercy en- | dures forever."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength | and my song, and has become | my salvation.

15 Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup>I shall not | die, but live,

and declare the works | of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed pun- | ished me sorely, but did not hand me o- | ver to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the | gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate | of the LORD; here the righ- | teous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me and you have become | my salvation.

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the build- | ers rejected has become the chief | cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>By the LORD has | this been done; it is marvelous | in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the | LORD has made; let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

## **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

<sup>1</sup>When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. <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>They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

SERMON Doing Easter Work!

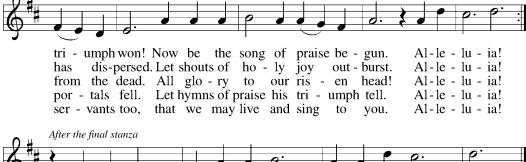
\*Please stand as you are able for the final verse

# HYMN OF THE DAY The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done (ELW 366)





- The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le -
- three sad days have quick ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yawn ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
- the stripes which wound-ed you, from death's sting free



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

Text: Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832-1909 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525-1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823-1889

#### \*CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## \*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Please respond.)

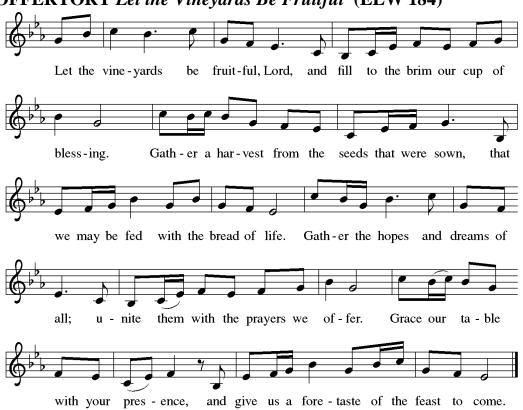
P: God of grace. C: hear our prayer.

## \*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

## OFFERTORY Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW 184)



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927 Text and music © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

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## \*OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit.

May the gifts that we offer here

be signs of your abiding love.

Form us to be your witnesses in the world,

through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen.

#### \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

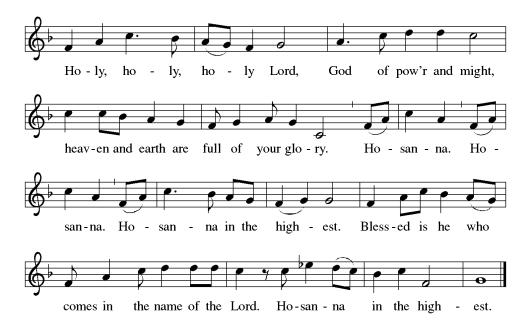
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

#### \*PREFACE

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)



## \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

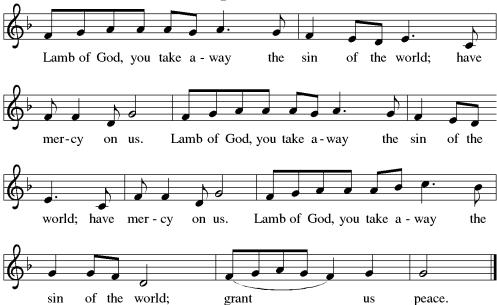
## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

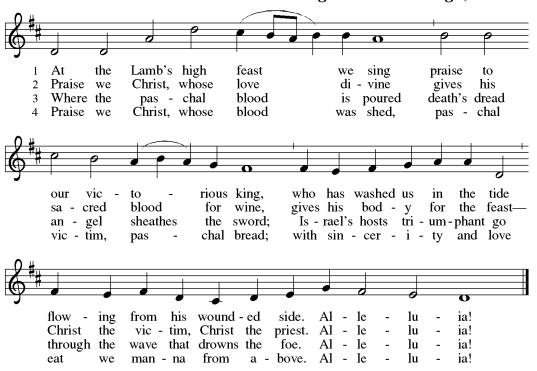
## **COMMUNION**

Continuous - Please continue down center aisle at the direction of the usher. After you receive the bread, you may take a cup of red wine or white grape juice from the tray. Please place your empty communion cup in the basket. Gluten free wafers are available, ask the Pastor when you come forward. Notify the Head Usher if you would appreciate receiving Communion at your seat rather than walking up to the altar, the Pastor and Communion Assistant will be happy to bring Communion to you.

# **COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 146)**



## COMMUNION HYMN At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (ELW 362)



- 5 Mighty victim from the sky, hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie; you have conquered in the fight, you have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall; you have opened paradise, and your saints in you shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; from sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!
- 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, your name we praise. Alleluia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt. Music: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, Bohemian Brethren, Kirchengeseng, 1566

## \*COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.** 

#### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.

Amen.

## \*SENDING SONG Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! (ELW 382)



- 1 Christ is ris-en! Al le lu ia! Ris en our vic to rious head!
- 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
- 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
- 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forthnev-er death or hell shall us en thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead! through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re-turns to life once more; now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris - ing of to - day. We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.



Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears; death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now, See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground; All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears. an - gels on his steps at - tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow. Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found. hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.





Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt. Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

## \*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## EXTINGUISHING THE CANDLE/SILENT PRAYER

## **POSTLUDE**

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The altar flowers** this morning are placed to the Glory of God in loving memory of J. Austin & Nellie Hess and Betty & Harold Gayman given by Mark & Sally Gayman and family.

**Welcome Visitors!** We welcome you to our worship service. We hope your visit with us will be a time of blessing. If you have any concerns, please talk to the Head Usher. We invite you to worship with us again!

**Prayer requests for the following**: Katy Klutz, Bernie Harris, Lilly Chiado, Linda Russ, Bonnie Hudson, Jane and Bill Brindle, Darrell Veilleux, Malvern Zimmerman, Bob Estep, Karen, Phil Johnson, Tim Tweedy, Missy Moreui, Becky Ensinger, Bobby Seilhamer, Sam Mull, Bonnie Hudson, Virginia Detwiler, Callie Mummert, Matthew, Lexi, and Booklyn Bowen, Nancy Marshall, Carol Rau and all the Homebound. If anyone has a prayer request, please call Janice McEntire, 717-264-3702.

Please Be Aware: We wish to be a praying congregation, and especially for those who are sick or experiencing difficult times. We will continue to name person's (first name only) aloud each Sunday, and we will hold each name for a month. In order to keep our list updated we ask that by the final Thursday of the month, but please call Janice McEntire 717 264-3702 to keep the name on for an extra month. Any name can remain for as long as desired, but we need to hear from the person adding the name, or we will presume the name can be removed. Thank you for your understanding.

## **Weekly Calendar Reminders:**

April 4 – Finance 6pm

**Bowling & Pizza, Saturday, April 13 at Nellie Fox Bowling**. Shoe sizing 2:30pm, bowling 3:00-5:00pm, followed by Pizza at Vinnie's along Route 11 in Marion. If interested, you must sign up on the sign-up sheet.

The April/May/June edition of the Our Daily Bread is available in the pamphlet rack in the vestibule.

If you are in need of pastoral care, please notify Pastor Mike Allwein at 717-357-3814.

<u>Pastor Mike's Sunday Bible Study</u> - Pastor Mike has been asked to use some of his Bible Study time to talk about symbolism in the Bible. In both the Old Testament and the New Testament, there is a lot of symbolism, much of it coming from the Jesish traditions and culture of that day, and some of it (I think) from the creative mind of Jesus! Therefore, On April 7 and April 14, the theme of the Sunday Bible Study will be "Symbolism in the Bible." Come join us for this opportunity to get a look "behind the curtain" of some of the language and symbols used in the Bible! There are handouts with a list of Biblical Symbols we will be talking about these next two weeks. These lists can be found in the back office next to the copies of the Sunday sermon. Because the list of symbols is extensive, we will choose which ones we want to look at more closely.

Please consider signing up for altar flowers for the 2024 calendar year. There are a lot of available Sundays.

**If you are not taking your altar flowers home,** please let Kathy Bowen know to whom or to where you would like them donated. Thanks.

Copies of today's sermon can be found in the office room at the rear of the worship space. Pick one up before service if this will be helpful in hearing the sermon; or, pick one up to take home if you wish to use it reflect on throughout this upcoming week.

The 2024 Chart for Altar flowers is in the office to the left when entering the front door of the sanctuary. The cost of the two vases will be \$50.00 per week. You will continue to provide Kimberly with the information for the bulletin prior to the week before the Sunday you choose. Include the cost of \$50.00 with the bulletin information.

**Power Pack Meals:** The need for nutritious food for New Franklin Elementary School students in need. Please consider donating individual serving size fruit and vegetable cups, individual packages of mac-n-cheese, Chef Boyardee, 8 oz bottles of water, juice boxes, and yahoo chocolate drink. Monetary donations are accepted as well, please write "power pack meals" in the memo of your check.

**Bulletin Announcement Forms** are in both pamphlet racks. Please submit all bulletin announcements to the office by the Wednesday prior to the Sunday for inclusion in the bulletin.



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