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#### The Resurrection of Our Lord

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"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

## Prelude

### **Processional Hymn** *Please Stand*

- 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!
- Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured. Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 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! Lutheran Service Book, Hymn 457-Text: Latin 14th cent.; Charles Wesley 1707-88 vv.1-3, tr. Lyra Davidica v.4; Public Domain.

#### Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

## **Recognition of Holy Baptism**

## **Confession and Absolution**

In Easter joy, let us confess our sins before God our Father, and Christ, our risen King! Resurrected Lord and Savior, we confess before You that our Easter faith is meager; we have not acted decisively in sharing Your love. Our forgiveness for others is tepid. We fail to be gracious in conflict and forget that all believers belong to You-the crucified and risen Lord. Although we are undeserving, You have crowned us with resurrection certainty by Your life-changing grace and mercy. Death is destroyed. Easter life flourishes, now and forever! A Time of Silence

Christ has died. We, too, shall die. Christ has risen. We, too, shall rise, because we are more than conquerors in and through Christ Jesus. Our eternal confidence and unwavering faith are in Him alone! Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Prayer The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Matthew 28:19b

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Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise Please Be Seated "Welcom
↓ "Welcome, happy morning!" Age to age shall say;
"Hell today is vanquished, Heav'n is won today!" Christ, once dead, is living, God forevermore! Him, their true creator, All His works adore.
~"Welcome, happy morning!" Age to age shall say,

- "Hell today is vanquished, Heav'n is won today!"
- Maker and redeemer, Life and health of all, God from heav'n beholding Human nature's fall, You, the true and only Son of God above, Died as mortal man to Save us by Your love. ~Welcome...
- Source of all things living, You came down to die, Plumbed the depths of hell to Raise us up on high. Come, then, true and faithful; Come, fulfill Your Word; This is Your third morning: Rise, O buried Lord! ~Welcome...
- Free the souls long prisoned, Bound with Satan's chain;
   All that once had fallen Raise to life again;
   Show Your face in brightness, Shine in ev'ry land
   As in Eden's garden When the world began. ~Welcome....
   Lutheran Worship, Hymn 135-Text: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus 530-609; tr. John Ellerton 1826-93; Public Domain.

# **Old Testament Reading**

<sup>17</sup>"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.
<sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.
<sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.
<sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

<sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

<sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

#### Isaiah 65:17–25

"Welcome, Happy Morning"

<sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord. This is the Word of the Lord.

## Thanks be to God.

## The Epistle

<sup>19</sup>If in Christ we have hope in this life only, 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. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Gradual

↓ Praise we the Lord! Praise we the Lord! Praise Him, Praise Him, Alleluia!

J Praise we the Lord! Praise we the Lord! Praise Him, Praise Him, Alleluia!

Praise the Lord, all you nations, Praise Him all you peoples. Alleluia!

J Praise we the Lord! Praise we the Lord! Praise Him, Praise Him, Alleluia!

J Strong is His love and mercy, He is faithful forever. Alleluia!

J Praise we the Lord! Praise we the Lord! Praise Him, Praise Him, Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let everything living give praise to the Lord.

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# Holy Gospel Please Stand

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

# Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. <sup>5</sup>And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." <sup>8</sup>And they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, <sup>11</sup>but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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Praise to You, O Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:19–26 tied.

Luke 24:1–12

## **Nicene Creed**

## Children's Message Please Be Seated

## The Hymn

- He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord; He opened death's prison, th' incarnate, true Word. Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.
- The foe was triumphant when on Calvary The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
   In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer, For Jesus was slain whom the evil ones fear.
- But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,
   And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.
   The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;
   He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.
- O, where is your sting death? We fear you no more;
   Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.
   For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
   Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.
- Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
   Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
   Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb Who was slain:
   With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

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## **Proclamation of the Word**

"But We Forget"

# **Offering and Musical Offering**

**Prayer of the Church** *Please Stand Each petition is concluded with the following:* Christ is risen,

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

### Preface

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise. "He's Risen, He's Risen"

Luke 24:1–12

# **Proper Preface**

## Sanctus

Music: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today," Hymn 469

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of heav'n and earth adored. Sing hosanna, to the Lord. Blest is He who comes to us!

# Words of Our Lord

## Lord's Prayer

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.** 

## Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, our Lord, Jesus, Lamb of God, our God. Jesus, Lamb of God, we pray: Lord, have mercy, grant us peace!

### **Distribution Hymn** *Please Be Seated*

"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

- J I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above; He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye; He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
- He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- J He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives! Lutheran Service Book, Hymn 461 -Text: Samuel Medley 1738-99; Public Domain.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

## And His mercy endures forever.

Psalm 106:1

We give thanks to You, almighty God, for sending Your Son, our Lord, to be both a sacrifice for our sin and a model of the godly life. By His body and blood, strengthen our faith to stand steadfast as inheritors of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

## **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on You with favor and + give You peace.

#### Amen.

## **Recessional Hymn**

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

- Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia! Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
- J For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
- Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia! When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
- Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia! Lutheran Service Book, Hymn 463-Text: Wipo of Burgundy d.c. 1050, tr. Jane E. Leeson 1809-81 Tune: Robert Williams 1781-1821, setting: John Roberts 1822-77; Public Domain; LSBHymnLicense.net #100012386.

# Postlude

Numbers 6:24-26