



RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/ EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 9, 2023

ENTRY OF THE LIGHT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Hallelujah (Be High and Lifted Up)”

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You are worthy of our praise
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It's You we're lifting high
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CALL TO WORSHIP

Lynne Moran

One: Joyful is the sound we make this morning!

All: Easter liberates us from doubt and fear.

One: Thankful is the song we sing!

All: Easter moves us past darkness and despair.

One: Hopeful is the prayer upon our lips!

All: Easter awakens us to long-awaited new life.

One: Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

All: Christ lives here and now. He is among us at this and every moment!

One: May his peace and presence be known to you.

All: And also to you.

One: Let us worship God!

***HYMN**

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

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**Jesus Christ is risen 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 heavenly 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 God's love.
Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host,
Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia!**

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray:

All: Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who through the power of the resurrection from death to life, rules the world in love. Amen.

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you."

So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, 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; there they will see me."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Bill Pederson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIFTS OF TITHE AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*"Fanfare for Easter"
Gabriel's' Bells*

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***DOXOLOGY** *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

#609

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Therefore we praise you...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**All Sing: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

One: Remembering...that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**All: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life,
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

One: Through Christ...now and forever.

All: Amen.

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

“God of Heaven, His Eye is On the Sparrow, Amazing Grace, and I Know That my Redeemer Lives”

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Psalm 103:1,2

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

All: And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

All: And forget not all God's benefits.

***HYMN**

“The Day of Resurrection!”

#233

The day of resurrection!

**Earth, tell it out abroad,
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over
with hymns of victory.**

**Let hearts be purged of evil
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light,
and listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and hearing,
may raise the victor strain.**

**Now let the heavens be joyful;
let earth its song begin;
the round world keep high triumph
and all that is therein.
Let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen,
our joy that has no end.**

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***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

*One: Christ is risen! Do not be afraid. Go and tell this good news to all
(Matthew 28:10)*

All: Thanks be to God.

*One: Blessed be the Lord, who has given us new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 1:3)*

All: Amen.

One: All authority and power and dominion to the name that is above all names – Jesus Christ our Lord – now and in the age to come. (Ephesians 1:21)

All: Amen.

One: Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever. (Revelation 7:12)

All: Alleluia! Amen!

POSTLUDE

“Christ Arose”

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