

Sunday, March 31, 2024, 8:30 & 10:30am

Easter Sunday



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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn ELW 361 *The Day of Resurrection* (all verses)

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 list'ning to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and hearing,
may raise the glad refrain.

Now let the heav'ns 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!

All praise to God the Father,
all praise to Christ the Son,
all praise to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number
fall down before the throne,
and honor, pow'r, and glory ascribe to God alone!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754

Thanksgiving of Baptism

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

Look, here is our water! **Here us our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give 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. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water! **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 Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Hymn of Praise:

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Prayer of the Day

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading Acts 10: 34-43

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading Mark 16: 1-8

Children's Sermon Erin Boysen

Sermon Rev. Kristen Massa, Associate Pastor

Hymn of the Day ELW 367 *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* (all verses)

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! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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!

Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
set heart and will on things above
that we conquer through your triumph;
grant grace sufficient for life's day
that by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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!
Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876-1947

Profession of Faith – Apostles' Creed

Living together in trust and hope we are bold to say

**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 Intercession

Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

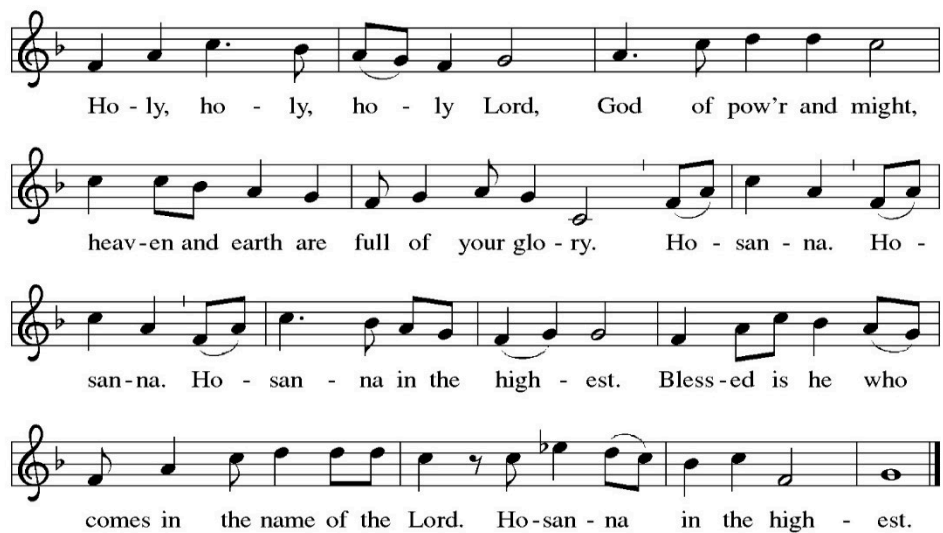
Offering Song

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
 we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
 all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
 with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Choir Anthem *Rise Up!* by Victor Johnson & Pamela Stewart- Jen Zemke, Trumpet

Dialogue

The Lord be with you. And al-so 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.

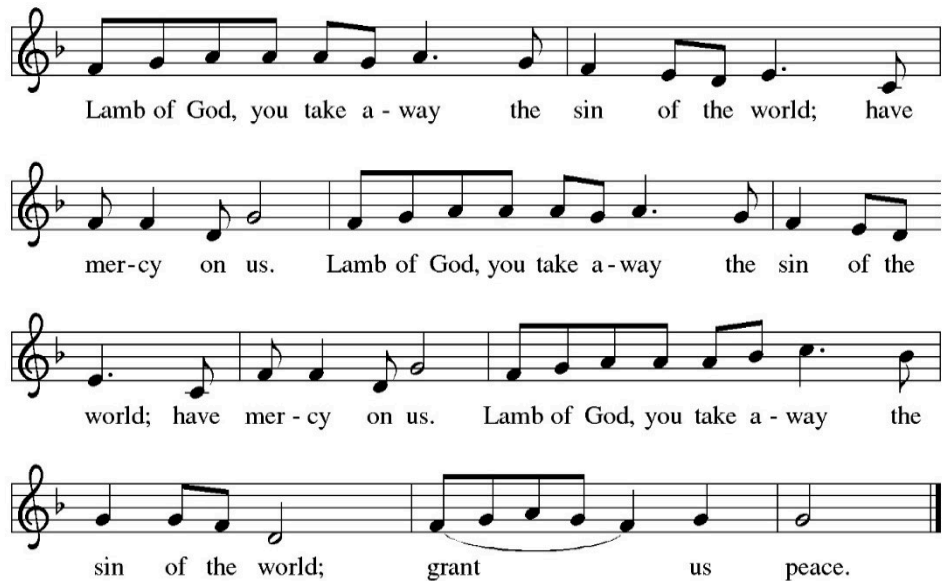


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion Hymn, ELW 364 *Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia* (all verses)

Christ has arisen, alleluia.
Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.
For our redeemer burst from the tomb,
even from death, dispelling its gloom.

Refrain

Let us sing praise to him with endless joy.
Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

For three long days the grave did its worst
until its strength by God was dispersed.
He who gives life did death undergo,
and in its conquest his might did show. *Refrain*

The angel said to them, "Do not fear.
You look for Jesus who is not here.
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare.
Only the graveclothes are lying there." *Refrain*

"Go spread the news: he's not in the grave.
He has arisen this world to save.
Jesus' redeeming labors are done.
Even the battle with sin is won." *Refrain*

Christ has arisen to set us free.
Alleluia, to him praises be.
Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly king. *Refrain*

Text: Bernard Kyamanywa, b. 1938

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.**

Closing Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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

Closing Hymn, ELW 365 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* (all verses)

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 you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent.,

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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Today's Worship Assistants 8:30

Preaching: **Rev. Kristen Massa**
Presiding: **Rev. Michael Short**
Assisting Minister: **Julie Palubicki**
Lector: **Janet Heukeshoven**
Altar Guild: **Carol Kramer, Nancy Hauschildt,
Karen Hemker**
Acolytes: **Lauren Indra, Lydia Flesch**

Bread Baker: **Kathy Benke, Bruce Fuller,
Dennis Glawe**
Fellowship:
Communion Assistants: **Mike Bauer, Mark Jungerberg**
Ushers: **Joe Palubicki, Angela Thompson,
Alison Prodzinski, Dennis Vandrunen**
Children's Sermon: **Erin Boysen**

Worship Assistants 10:30

Preaching: **Rev. Kristen Massa**
Presiding: **Rev. Michael Short**
Assisting Minister: **Judy Davis**
Lector: **Deneice Stark**
Altar Guild: **Karen Jacobson, Carmen Hanson,
Marie Holmquist**
Acolytes:

Bread Baker: **Kathy Benke, Bruce Fuller,
Dennis Glawe**
Fellowship:
Communion Assistants: **Connie Larson, Mary Reeck**
Ushers: **Tim & Laurie Laib, Gayle Garrity**
Children's Sermon: **Erin Boysen**
Videographer: **Linda Bouck**

Musician for both services

Adult Choir
Julie Heinrichs, Horn
Janet Heukeshoven, Flute
Jen Zemke, Trumpet

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Ken & Arlene Westrud (Health)	Sue Vandervort (Health)	Germain Amundson (health)
Ella Korn (Health)	Ed LittleJohn (Cancer)	Dr. Arnold Fenske (health)
Sonia Stutzka (Health)	Peter Huggenvik (Health)	David Dicke (Health)
Linda Garrison (Health)	David Ruppert (Health)	Clay Rinn (Cancer)
Karen Freiheit (Cancer)	Roz Kvittem (Cancer)	Linda Koch (Health)
Scott Steele (Healing/Health)	Sharri Hackbarth (Health)	
Bobbi (Cancer)	Gloria Sveen (Health)	
Irene Warren (Health)		
Jan (Health)		

This Week at Central: Mar 31st- April 6th

Sun Mar 31: 8:30 am, Traditional Worship

9:30 am, Sunday School

10:30 am, Modern Worship

Tues April 2: 9:00 am, Quilters

Wed April 3: 4:45 pm, FEAST Meal- Barbecue Chicken Sandwich

6:30 pm, Confirmation

Thur Aril 4: 10:00 am, CLC Book Group

6:00 pm, Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm, Adult choir Rehearsal

Next Week at Central: April 7th-13th

Sun April 7: 8:30 am, Traditional Worship

9:30 am, Sunday School

9:30 am, Welcoming WIN Families

10:30 am, Modern Worship

Mon April 8: 9:00 am, WELCA

6:30 pm, WIN

Tues April 9: 9:00 am, Quilters

6:30 pm, council Report

Wed April 10: 4:45 pm, FEAST Meal- Turkey Gravy over stuffing

6:30 pm, Confirmation

Thur April 11: 10:00 am, Welcome & Worship

6:00 pm, Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm, Adult Choir Rehearsal

Fri April 12: 1:00 pm, Game Day