



EASTER RESURRECTION DAY!

6 am Sunrise & 9 am Services.

Why does God make sure that we know that the women grabbed Jesus' feet? In ancient times, people knew that ghosts don't have feet! Jesus' resurrection was a complete, physical, bodily resurrection. This is exactly what will happen to you on the final Resurrection Day when Jesus returns! This is the confidence of the Christian. Death does not have the last word. Jesus has the last word, and that word is RESURRECTION!

In View of God's Mercy
A Series of Services for Holy Week
April 17, 2022
6am & 9am

Easter Sunday: Mercy in the Open Tomb

Order of Service

Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Matthew 28:5-6

Soloist/Choir: *He is Arisen! Glorious Lord! (LSB 488)*

He is Arisen! Glorious Lord! Now reconciled is God, my Lord.

The gates of heaven are open.

My Jesus did triumphant die,

And Satan's arrows broken lie,

Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.

O hear, what cheer!

Christ victorious, rising glorious, life is giving.

He was dead but now is living

Invocation and Call to Worship

P The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **Amen.**

P Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever!

C **Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!**

P Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free.

C **Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!**

P The Lord is on my side; I will not fear.

C **Because He lives, we shall live also.**

P The Lord is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

C Because He lives, we shall live also.

P The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

C Because He lives, we shall live also.

P I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

C Because He lives, we shall live also.

P The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

Soloist/Choir Alleluia! Let Praises ring! (LSB 822, Stz. 2).

Alleluia! Let Praises ring!

Unto the Lamb of God we sing.

In whom we are elected.

He bought His church with His own blood,

He cleansed her in that blessed flood.

And as His bride selected.

Holy, Holy, Is our union, and communion, His befriending

Gives us joy and peace unending.

Confession and Forgiveness

P On this day we celebrate Christ's resurrection from the grave. But we also remember why he went to the grave. We acknowledge that our sins were the reason for his suffering and death. And so we confess those sins to God and seek his mercy.

C Most merciful God, it is our sins that put Jesus on the cross. It is because of our transgressions that his lifeless body was placed in the tomb. We confess our guilt and acknowledge the gravity of our sin. For the sake of Christ crucified and risen from the

dead, forgive our iniquity and restore us in righteousness. Through the power of his resurrection enable us to walk in newness of life, to the glory of your holy name.

P We cry to you for mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, God's mercy is greater.)

P Hear the good news! God's Word declares that Jesus "was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification" (Romans 4:25). In the mercy of Almighty God, his Son Jesus was given to die for you. For Christ's sake God forgives you all your sins and justifies you, making you holy in his sight. His mercy endures forever because his love for you is steadfast.

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

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.

C **Amen.**

Children's Sermon

Scripture Readings

The **Old Testament Reading**, Exodus 15:1-18

- 1** Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying,
"I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.
- 2** The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation;
this is my God, and I will praise him,
my father's God, and I will exalt him.
- 3** The LORD is a man of war;
the LORD is his name.

- 4 “Pharaoh’s chariots and his host he cast into the sea,
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.
- 5 The floods covered them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.
- 6 Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- 7 In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries;
you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble.
- 8 At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up;
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.
- 9 The enemy said, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake,
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.
I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.’
- 10 You blew with your wind; the sea covered them;
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.
- 11 “Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?
- 12 You stretched out your right hand;
the earth swallowed them.

P This is the word of the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

The **Epistle Reading**, Romans 6:3-11

3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if

we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. **9** We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. **10** For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. **11** So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

P This is the word of the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Handbells @ 9am; *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

The **Gospel Reading**, Matthew 28:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

C **Praise to You, O' Lord!**

1 Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. **2** And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. **3** His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. **4** And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. **5** But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. **6** He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. **7** Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." **8** So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. **9** And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. **10** Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord!

C **Praise to You, O' Christ!**

Apostles' Creed *LSB 207*

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

Sermon Hymn: He's Risen, He's Risen! #480

1 He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
He opened Death's prison, the Incarnate Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song,
And, earth, sea, and mountain, the paean prolong.

2 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.

3 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, yea, He lives, and will nevermore die.

4 Oh, where is thy sting, Death? We fear thee 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.

5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who sitteth in glory and ever shall reign.

Sermon

Prayers

P Risen Christ, we rejoice at your victory over sin. United with you in baptism, may we consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Living Lord, we celebrate your triumph over death. As Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, may we walk in newness of life. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Victorious Deliverer, we acclaim your defeat of the devil. Trusting in your declaration of justification, may we live in freedom from the accusation of guilt. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Loving Redeemer, we affirm your rescue of us from hell. May we never fear the grave or what follows but eagerly anticipate our own resurrection and life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Mighty Conqueror, we hail you as King of kings and Lord of lords. May we serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives and into eternity. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P In view of your mercy, move us by your Spirit to face death with hope in the sure and certain promise of life everlasting through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 208*

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 208*

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer *LSB 209*

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini *LSB 209*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 210*

C **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Sit

Distribution

I Know That My Redeemer Lives #461

1 I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everliving head!

2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save;
He lives all-glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.

3 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.

4 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.

5 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.

6 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.

7 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.

8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today #469

1, "Christ the Lord is ris'n to-day,"
Saints on earth and angels say!
Raise your Joys and Triumphs high,
Sing ye Heav'ns, and Earth reply.

2, Love's Redeeming Work is done,
Fought the Fight, the Battle won,
Lo! our Sun's Eclipse is o'er,
Lo! He sets in Blood no more.

3, Vain the Stone, the Watch, the Seal;
Christ hath burst the Gates of Hell!
Death in vain forbids his Rise:
Christ hath open'd Paradise!

4, Lives again our glorious King,
Where, O Death, is now thy Sting?
Once He died our Souls to save,
Where thy Victory, O Grave?

5, Soar we now, where Christ has led,
Following our Exalted Head,
Made like Him, like Him we rise:
Ours the Cross; the Grave; the Skies.

6, Hail the Lord of Earth and Heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n:
Thee we greet Triumphant now;
Hail the Resurrection Thou!

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won #490

1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!
Death no longer can appall me.
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave Christ will recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
this shall be my confidence.

2 Jesus lives! To him the throne
high o'er heav'n and earth is given.
I shall go where he is gone,
live and reign with him in heaven.
God is faithful; doubtings, hence!
This shall be my confidence.

3 Jesus lives! For me he died;
hence will I, to Jesus living,
pure in heart and act abide,
praise to him and glory giving.
All I need God will dispense;
this shall be my confidence.

4 Jesus lives! I know full well
nothing me from him shall sever.
Life nor death nor pow'rs of hell
part me now from Christ forever.
God will be a sure defense;
this shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! And now is death
but the gate to life immortal;
this shall calm my trembling breath
when I pass its gloomy portal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
Jesus is my confidence!

Stand

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 211*

**C O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Benediction

P May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever (Hebrews 13:20-21).

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today! #457

1, Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2, 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!

3, 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!

Please stand as you are able

4, 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!

Have a blessed Resurrection Day!
He has feet! He has feet indeed! Alleluia!

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The Altar flowers are provided by the family of Walt and Lavina Schultz.

Those Serving in our Service
April 17, 2022

Preacher	Rev. Michael Redeker	
Organist	Marilyn Smith	
Acolytes	6:00am	Elle and Cal Diedrich
	9:00am	Ken and Shyloh Dimmick
Elders	6:00am	Victor Lozano and Ray Seeley
	9:00am	Duane Lofton and John O'Connor
Ushers	6:00am	Otto Ratz, Dale Ryden, Wade Schultz, Ken Currey
	9:00am	Art Peterson, Doug Haynes, Dean Hollatz, Korrey Klein
Greeters	6:00am	June Johnson
	9:00am	Beth Weber
Videographer	9:00am	Jeremy Skoog
Handbells	9:00am	Chris Lofton, Brittany Markert, Dona Ramsey, Jeremy Skoog, Karen Skoog, Jan Weich, Jan Wilke

Thank you, members of Messiah, for supplying the lilies. Remember to pick them up following the 9:00am service. Take them home with you or share them with a shut-in.

Calendar for the Week of April 17, 2022

Sunday	9:00am	Facebook Live
	10:30am	Revelation Bible Study Resumes Next Week
Monday	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE NO SCHOOL/OFFICE CLOSED	
Tuesday	10:00am	PS-8 Class Pictures---Sanctuary
	1:00pm	Ruth Circle—Fellowship Hall
	4:00pm-5:00pm	Junior High Youth MPR
	5:30pm-7:00pm	Senior High Youth MPR
	7:00pm	Lydia Circle---Library
Wednesday	8:30am	Chapel
	9:00am	Bible Study of Leviticus9:30l
	10:00am	PS-8 Class Pictures (Makeup/Retake)
	6:00pm	NO CHURCH
Thursday	8:00am-2:30pm	5 th -8 th grade Track Meet--Stocker Stadium
	1:00pm-2:00pm	Dorcas Circle in the Library
	6:30pm	Online Bible Study
Friday	8:00am-3:30pm	K-4 th grade Track Meet--Stocker Stadium

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 7th/8th grade class is seeking donations to cover gas costs for their class trip to Colorado Springs and back. In Colorado Springs they will be visiting Garden of the Gods, the Zoo, hiking, and swimming. Donations of any amount would be greatly appreciated. Thank You – Kathy Reed.

We are also seeking donations for Letha Wallace's moving expenses to Grand Junction in June. Letha has accepted the call to be our 7th/8th grade teacher.

Date Period 4/5/2022 to 4/13/2022

Weekly Donations	\$24,121.50
Weekly need	\$20,411.00
Month to date	\$50,759.00
Monthly need	\$81,642.00

BIKE-A-THON Pre-school fund raiser has been **RESCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH FROM 9:00 – 10:30AM!!!**

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – Fund Raising continues. If you would like to donate, please write “**scholarship**” on the memo line of your paper or “online” check. Thank you!

YARD SALE – Spring is here! While you are doing your Spring sorting/purging and cleaning, put out a box to collect items for our annual yard sale. You will be able to bring your items in to the gym beginning May 23rd. The sale will be July 14-16.

SPANISH TEACHER NEEDED FOR THE NEXT YEAR – We are in need for a Spanish teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of a Christian who would be able to teach 10 hours a week in the afternoons, please have them contact Karen Mead. Please keep your ear to the ground and help us discover who God has set aside for us.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS – Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at www.thrivent.com or by calling 800-847-4836.

LYDIA CIRCLE will meet at 6:30pm, April 19 in the Library. **ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.**

THANK YOU to the ladies that clean and polish the wood in the sanctuary, narthex, and choir loft twice a year. A small group meet on a Saturday before Palm Sunday and Reformation Sunday each year to do this task. What a blessed time for fellowship and service in the Lord's house. If you would like to help us, contact Kathy Hollatz, 970-245-6845.

BIRTHRIGHT UPDATE: Birthright’s guiding principle is “It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born.” Their motto is “We love them BOTH, mother and baby.” Their current needs are diapers sizes 4 and 5 and wipes. They could also use towels and bath supplies, boys clothing (preemies through 12 months), girls clothing (preemies through 24 months), socks size 12 months through 24 months. All donations are always appreciated. Thank you for your support.

SHE HAS A NAME: “SheHasAName” is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping girls in Kenya get out of poverty-based prostitution. For several years this organization has led trips to Kenya in order to support and serve, bringing Christ’s presence to the people who need it. Because of COVID-19, there has not been a trip since 2019, but this year from June 15 – 18 a group will be going!. As a college student with my heart in ministry, this is an opportunity to good to let pass. If you are willing to donate financially to help this trip happen, I would be beyond grateful! Of course, I am willing to work for support as well, so if you have a job for me be sure to let me know! The total trip cost will be between \$2,500 and \$3,000 and it is advised to have ticket cost covered by the end of April (\$1,200-\$1,500). Be on the look out for fundraisers and please contact me if you would like to help support me or any other students! You can contact me by phone, 970-985-5660 or Email: cjpowell48@gmail.com., if you would like to learn more about the organization or the trip. Thank you

OUR NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Appointments have been made. The photographers will be here April 25 and 26. To complete your experience, we need greeters to welcome you prior to your pictures being take. Maybe you aren’t having your picture taken but want a picture in the directory, please contact Beth Weber in the church office, to volunteer to greet or to have your picture taken by a member of the office staff.

MESSIAH’S RADIO MINISTRY - Sunday mornings at 8:30am – 9:00am on radio station 1100AM/KNZZ. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at 9:00am. If you would like to be a sponsor for our radio ministry, contact the church off, **970-245-2838**.

PRAYER REQUESTS – *“But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at weber4342@acsol.net.

