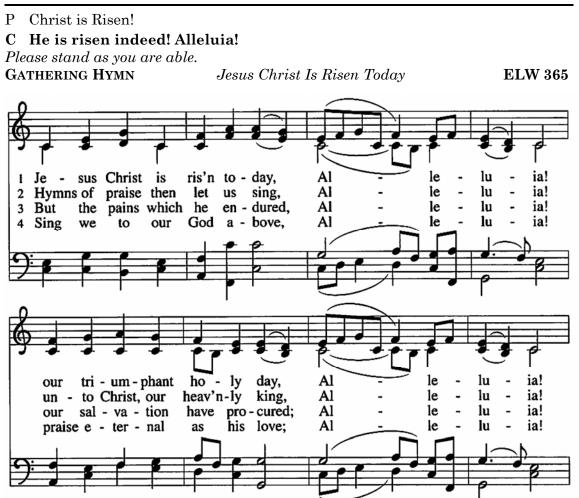


Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 8 March 31, 2024

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!

PRELUDE

GATHERING





GREETING

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



Kyrie

ELW 382 Verses 1 & 4



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: ACTS 10:34-43

³⁴Peter began to speak to the people: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He 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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good; God's mercy en- | dures forever.
²Let Israel | now declare, "God's mercy en- | dures forever."
¹⁴The 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!
¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
¹⁷ I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.
¹⁸ The LORD indeed pun- ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o- ver to death.
¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.
²⁰ "This is the gate of the LORD;
here the righ- teous may enter."
²¹ I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.
²² The stone that the build- ers rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
²³ By the LORD has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.
²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING: 1ST CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

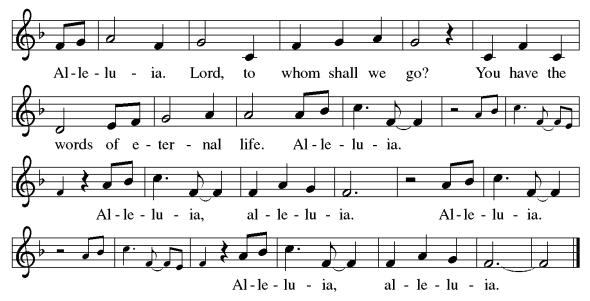
¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For 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, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 16:1-8

¹When 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. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But 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. ⁷But 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." ⁸So 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.

Р	The Gospel of the Lord.
	Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERMON

PASTOR BARBARA JONES

HYMN OF THE DAY

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.



- P God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope we confess our faith through the Nicene Creed.
- C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

A Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

A Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Particularly, let us pray for the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Ukraine, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East, and the Evangelical

Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land as they face times of conflict. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling with health issues, especially Peggy Buchholz, Naomi Walker, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Liz Utech, and Martha Nemeth. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Loving God, we pray for these communities of faith — Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Brewster and Resurrection Lutheran Church in Haysville, Kansas, and Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Kansas City, Missouri — and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Life-giving God, we pray for Larry McGinnis, Naomi Walker, and Mike Andrews as they celebrate their birthdays and for Howard Reece and Rhonda Webb as they remember their baptisms. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

- P Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C Amen.

THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

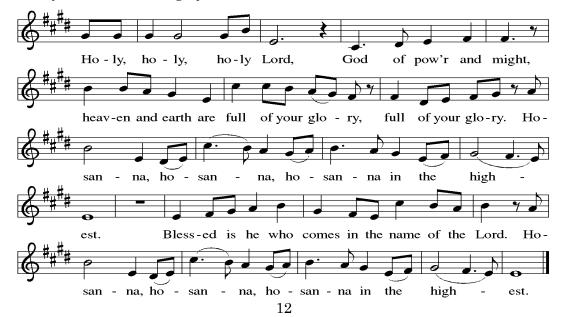
A Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- 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 our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, 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:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P 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.

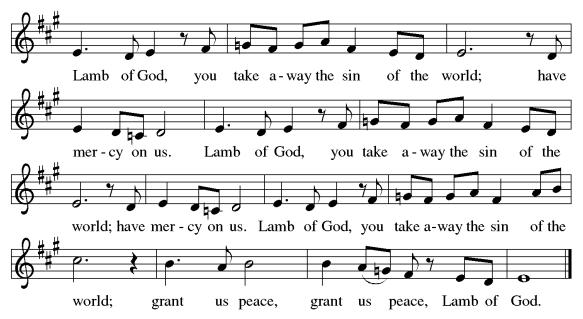
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

P Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table. Alleluia! Come to the feast.



LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

SENDING

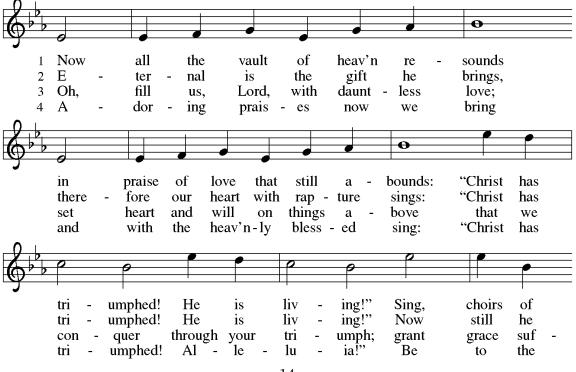
BLESSING

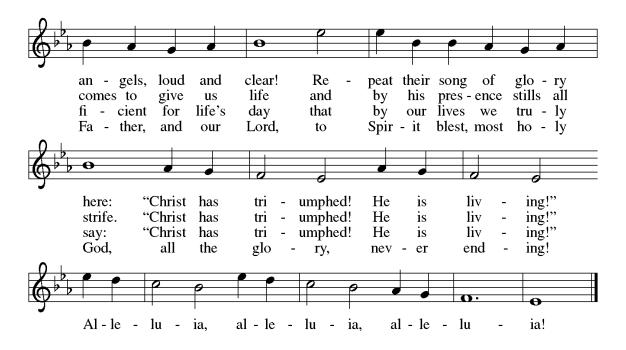
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW 367





DISMISSAL

- A Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- A You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.
- C We will! Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Mar. 31	Easter Sunday	
	Easter Potluck Breakfast	9:00 AM
	Children's Sunday School	9:30 AM
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
Tues., Apr. 2	Quilters 	9:00 AM
Sunday, Apr. 7	Hymn Sing Along	10:15 AM
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	Coffee Hour	
	Congregational Life meeting	Noon

Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Mar. 31	Brayden Winsor	Marcy Carl- son, Curt Lewis	Laurie Jackson	Diane Bottorff	Donna Allen & Team 3	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	
Apr. 7	Parker Jackson	Dean McGinnis, Bob Horton		Shelley Andrews	Diane Bottorff & Team 1	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	

Transition Process

Our next session together will be on April 14, when we will gather to talk about "Church Programming and Theological Perspective. These two sections tend to be inter-related, and so we will do six scaled questions and the conversation surrounding them. Please join us for this discussion during coffee hour on April 14th.



Thanks to all who purchased lilies to beautify our sanctuary on this Easter day. Please take your lily home with you after worship today.

Lilies are given to the glory of God by...

Donna Allen in memory of loved ones. Mike & Shelley Andrews in memory of Elmer & Minnie Murphy. Mike & Shelley Andrews in memory of Byron & Gavonna Murphy. Mike & Shelley Andrews in honor of Nathan & Summer Andrews. Ella & Everly Bosch in honor of Mimi Karen and Papa Jim Bosch. Rick & Janice Greenlee in memory of Charles & Myra Sodergren. Rick & Janice Greenlee in memory of Colleen Greenlee. Laurie Jackson in honor of Jacob & Jackson Nichols. Pr. Barbara Jones & Pr. Jon Brudvig in memory of John & Ruth Jones. Pr. Barbara Jones & Pr. Jon Brudvig in honor of loved ones. Adi & Asher Klamm in memory of Duke Klamm. **Bob & Pam Kobbeman** in memory of Marilyn & Harold Hypse. Curt & Jane Lewis in memory of Charles & Myra Sodergren. Curt & Jane Lewis in memory of Orville & Marty Lewis. Steve Luoma to the glory of God. Carol Marker in memory of El & Alma Heckman and Adolph & Florence Dumler. Duane & Debbie Pomeroy in honor of granddaughter Kathlyn's high school graduation. Dave & Roxann Quarnstrom in memory of Carl & Betty Quarnstrom. Julie Reeves in memory of loved ones. Junior & Liz Utech in memory of Mark Utech. Junior & Liz Utech in memory of Teresa U. Gray. Andy & LaVell Winsor in honor of loved ones.

The Easter banners are the creation of Trinity Sunday School children of long ago. The First Graders cut the long leaves and arranged them on the first banner in the early 21st Century. Each child's hand was traced, then reproduced in white felt with their name written in the palm, wired and curled into the flower.



The children glued the beads on the stamens, arranged the pipe cleaners in the flower and placed them on the banner. When the "Alleluia" banner filled with lilies, the second banner followed with more First Graders' hands. Today, grown-ups can identify "their" flowers on the banners made long ago.



RECYCLE FOR THE

Equipment & Gear We Need

Baseball/Softball Wrestling Football Disc Golf Water Sports Golf Fitness Equipment/ Weights Track and Field Basketball Volleyball Tennis/Pickleball ...and much more Your quality used sports gear can make a BIG difference for Doorstep.

From April 1st to April 15th bring in your quality used sports gear and equipment you no longer need to Play It Again Sports Topeka. Tell the team your items are for the Doorstep Gear Drive. Play It Again Sports will apply your items to the Doorstep account. Doorstep will receive funds at the end of the drive.

Thank you for making a BIG difference in our community.

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Companion Synod Team

Our Companion Synods give us the opportunity to engage with Companion Christians who live out their faith in different parts of the world. As we come together with our CoSyn Lutheran Christians in Papua New Guinea, Russia and other parts of the world, we both bless them and receive their blessings. We both teach and learn. We both encourage and are encouraged. Every congregation in the Central States Synod is encouraged to celebrate the Worldwide church of which we are a part and to find ways to walk more closely together with our partners in Papua New

Guinea, Russia, and around the globe.

For a more detailed explanation of the Companion Synod Ministry, read:

<u>Companion Synod Ministry,</u> <u>CSS-ELCA</u>.

A Season of Global Awareness.

The 2023 Central States Synod Assembly adopted <u>Resolution SA 23.02, "A</u> <u>Season of Global Awareness"</u> which resolved that **Sunday**, **April 7th**, 2024 is designated as the Sunday to celebrate our companion church relationship with the Kote District of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Papua New Guinea (ELCPNG).

Please include President Erena Waraga, the people of the Kote District, ELCPNG as well as the people of Papua New Guinea in your personal and congregational prayers, especially on Papua New Guinea Sunday, April 7th, 2024.



Hymn Sing Along = Food for Our Soul Food Donation for Doorstep = Food for Our Neighbors



Along with our Hymn Sing Along, the first Sunday of each month is now also a day to bring food to church, which will then be taken to Doorstep to help keep their shelves stocked with food for our neighbors.

FOOD

Please add a few items to your grocery list and make a note on your calendars for April 7 to remember to bring food to church.



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Together in Community Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Caring for Our Neighbors

Jesus commands us that when we care for the least of these; that we are in the presence of Christ (*Matthew 25:44-45*). As a congregation, we deeply care about serving those in need in our community. We hope to be a place of refuge and support for our neighborhood and to be a place to uplift those people that struggle around us. We also support ministries both local, national, and global as a church in the ELCA. As a congregation, we focus our efforts to partner with community organizations like Doorstep, while expanding opportunities to help our neighborhood through activities like our food ministry and community garden. We continue to be open to the ways that God calls us to be a presence in our community and to create a world where all are cared for in our society (*Philippians 2:4*).

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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