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Service of Holy Communion—*Lutheran Book of Worship*, Setting I

Easter Day —The Resurrection of Our Lord, April 20, 2025

In-Person at 10:15 am & Live at Facebook.com/TrinityLutheranNH

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**EASTER PROCLAMATION**

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed, Alleluia!** (*Three times*)

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4  
 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

### EASTER DIALOGUE

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

**C: He gives us new life and hope through his Resurrection! Alleluia!**

P: Rejoice then, even in your distress.

**C: We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.**

P: God has claimed us as his own.

**C: God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

### APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

**And also with you.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,  
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON: Acts 10:34-43**

*Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.*

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,  
<sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

<sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how 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. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both

in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not 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. <sup>42</sup>He 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. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”  
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;\*  
his mercy en- | dures forever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let Israel | now proclaim,\***  
**"His mercy en- | dures forever."**

<sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength | and my song,\*  
and he has become | my salvation.

<sup>15</sup> **There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory\***  
**in the tents | of the righteous:**

<sup>16</sup> "The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!\*  
The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!"

<sup>17</sup> **I shall not | die, but live,\***  
**and declare the works | of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup> The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,\*  
but he did not hand me o- | ver to death.

<sup>19</sup> **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;\***  
**I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.**

<sup>20</sup> "This is the gate | of the LORD;\*  
he who is right- | eous may enter."

<sup>21</sup> **I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me\***  
**and have become | my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup> The same stone which the build- | ers rejected\*  
has become the chief | cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup> **This is | the LORD's doing,\***  
**and it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup> On this day the | LORD has acted;\*  
we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

**Gloria Patri (chanted after the psalm)**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the /Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forev/ er. Amen.**

## **SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26**

*Paul describes the consequences of Jesus' resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God's victorious rule over all.*

<sup>19</sup> If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup> for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## **GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.*

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this 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 got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY:****The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the  
 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst, but Christ their  
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, he ris - es  
 4 He broke the age - bound chains of hell; the bars from  
 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed you, from death's sting



vic - tor's tri - umph won! Now be the  
 le - gions has dis - persed. Let shouts of  
 glo - rious from the dead. All glo - ry  
 heav'n's high por - tals fell. Let hymns of  
 free your ser - vants too, that we may



song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenium*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909  
 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni P. da Palestrina, 1525–1594, adapt.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****SERMON****NICENE CREED**

**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;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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**

D: In our prayers today and this week, please remember: [prayer list]. We also invite your own petitions either aloud or silently in your hearts.

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty and Ever-Living God, you have created all that is, and through the Resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you promise to make all things new. With gladness we rejoice in your mighty works this Easter: the forgiveness of our sins; your victory over evil and death; the sure and certain hope of the Resurrection of our bodies, and the promise of life everlasting with you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Help us all to be witnesses in word and deed to the great hope we have because of Christ, so that all people may rejoice in your unending mercy. Uphold all who are

uncertain of the Lord's Resurrection and its meaning for their lives, that with Mary Magdalene and Peter, and all the witnesses of the Resurrection, we may all be renewed in faith and gladly share the good news of our risen Lord. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless us with abundant signs of your Son's eternal victory over sin and death. Keep our nation and the nations of the world in your constant care, and give your wisdom to all whom you have called to govern. Watch over the members of our armed forces and those who serve others in our communities. Provide generously for the hungry, poor, and all in need. And hasten your Son's reign of endless peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who experience any kind of loneliness, grief, illness, or fear this Easter Day, that signs of your Resurrection may be multiplied in their lives. Bring your abundant grace to those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those we have named before you, and those who have asked for our prayers. As you raised up your Son this day, so mercifully raise up all who put their trust in him. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for all who have died believing in the promise of Easter, especially our departed loved ones with whom we shared the joys of Easters past. We bless you for their faith and their witness, and we look with joyous anticipation to that great day when we will be reunited with them before your throne, with all the saints, rejoicing in you forever. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

P: Into your hands, O Lord...

## **PEACE**

**OFFERING** *The ushers collect the offering. You can also give electronically through our website, Facebook page, or by [clicking here](#).*

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** "Be Joyful in God" Dale Wood

**OFFERTORY:** "Let the Vineyards"

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

D: Let us pray...

Merciful Father,

**We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY****EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER****LORD'S PRAYER****LAMB OF GOD**

**THE COMMUNION** *To all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord, are baptized, and confess Jesus' real presence in the Holy Communion, we invite you to join us in the Holy Eucharist. At the usher's invitation you may come forward to kneel or stand at the altar rail. Please take an empty individual cup from the tray and bring it with you to the rail. The host wafer will be placed into your open hands to eat. Your cup will be filled from the pouring chalice, take and drink. Individual cups filled with non-alcoholic grape juice are also available, please point to receive one. Sealed pre-consecrated Communion packages are also available. Please remain at the altar rail until all have finished and a blessing is given.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS: LBW No. 210, 222, 136****POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord"****POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

D: Let us pray...

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

**Amen.**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

## Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!



1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad - ness of our Lent - en fast is o'er;  
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row that last eve - ning round him lay  
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall;



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 through the o - pen gates of glad - ness he re - turns to life once more;  
 now has found a glo - rious mor - row in the ris - ing of to - day.  
 be we Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri - umphed o - ver all.



Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;  
 death and hell be - fore him bend - ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 an - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.  
 he was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.  
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

### *Refrain*



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.  
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

## DISMISSAL

D: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE