



*Loved by God,  
Sent to Serve.*

**Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day  
March 31, 2024**

# Evangelical Lutheran Worship

## Setting 4

### GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**Prelude: *Christ, the Lord Is Risen Today***

**arr. Jan Sanborn**

**Gathering Hymn: *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today***

**ELW 365**



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, 14<sup>th</sup> cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4

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### **Greeting**

**ELW p. 147**

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.**

## **Kyrie (*sung*)**

**ELW p. 147**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house,  
and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Canticle of Praise**

**ELW p. 149**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**This is the feast of victory for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.**

**Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

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. **Amen.**

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

*The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.*

<sup>1</sup>Now 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, <sup>2</sup>through 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.

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

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**ELW p. 151**



### **Gospel: Mark 16:1-8**

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.*

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

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

## Sermon

**The Rev. Karla Wildberger**

## Hymn of the Day: *Thine Is the Glory*

**ELW 376**

1 Thine is the glory,  
risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry  
thou o'er death hast won!  
Angels in bright raiment  
rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes  
where thy body lay.

2 Lo, Jesus meets thee,  
risen from the tomb!  
Lovingly he greets thee,  
scatters fear and gloom;  
let his church with gladness  
hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth;  
death hath lost its sting! **Refrain**

## Refrain

Thine is the glory,  
risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry  
thou o'er death hast won!

3 No more we doubt thee,  
glorious Prince of life;  
life is naught without thee;  
aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conqu'rors,  
through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan  
to thy home above. **Refrain**

## 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,  
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.

## Prayers of Intercession

...God of grace, **receive our prayer.**  
...our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

## Sharing of the Peace

ELW p. 152

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*



**Offering Prayer**

**ELW p. 152**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**Great Thanksgiving (*sung*)**

**ELW p.152**

The Lord be with you.

**And also 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.**

**Preface**

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

**ELW p. 153**

**Thanksgiving at the Table**

...both now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer**

*Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins

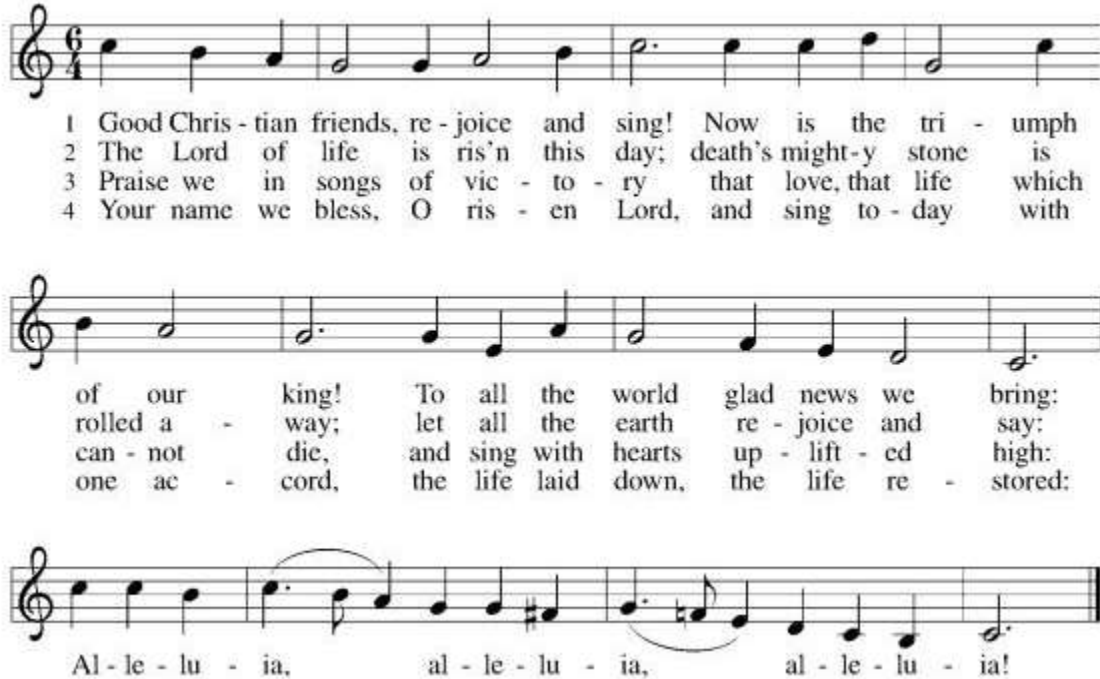
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom the power,

and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

**Invitation to Communion**

Communion Hymn: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!*


1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph  
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which  
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with

of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:

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

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872-1955, alt. Music: Melchior Vulpius, 1570-1615

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## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

**SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Announcements

## Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**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.**



## **Sending Song (8:00): *Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!***

**ELW 382**

1 Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia!  
Christ is risen from the dead!  
Gratefully our hearts adore him  
as his light once more appears;  
bowing down in joy before him,  
rising up from griefs and tears.

### **Refrain**

Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia!  
Christ is risen from the dead!

2 Christ is risen! All the sadness  
of our Lenten fast is o'er;  
through the open gates of gladness  
he returns to life once more;  
death and hell before him bending  
see him rise, the victor now,  
angels on his steps attending,  
glory round his wounded brow.

### **Refrain**

3 Christ is risen! All the sorrow  
that last evening round him lay  
now has found a glorious morrow  
in the rising of today.  
See the grave its firstfruits giving,  
springing up from holy ground;  
Christ was dead, but now is living;  
he was lost, but he is found. **Refrain**

4 Christ is risen! Henceforth never  
death or hell shall us enthrall.  
We are Christ's, in him forever  
we have triumphed over all.  
All the doubting and dejection  
of our trembling hearts have ceased;  
hail the day of resurrection!  
Let us rise and keep the feast.

### **Refrain**

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## **Sending Song (10:30): Hallelujah Chorus**

**Choir Anthem**

### **Dismissal**

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

## **Postlude: *I Know that My Redeemer Liveth***

**arr. Jan Sanborn**

## **Announcements**

### **Easter Lilies provided by the following:**

Sam & Sue Deaver in memory of Joseph & Mildred Fessler, Aline & Leland Deaver  
Steve & Sandy Heer in honor of our Lord of Life family  
Kevin & Kris Erickson Eipperle in honor of our children  
Betty Westemeier in memory of Daniel Westemeier  
Debbie & Galen Thomas in memory of Aunt Orpha Neseth, Jerry Neseth  
John & Ellen Shook in memory of the Sandberg & Shook families  
Val & Morgan Kennedy/Bri & Alan Ensign in memory of Janet Grimm & Jack Kennedy  
Jan & Dale Helwig Schrobilgen in memory of our parents and families  
Steve & Megan Ingalsbe in memory of family & friends in heaven  
Steve & Megan Ingalsbe in honor of our family  
Kurt & Susan Hansen in memory of our parents  
Phil & Peggy Granovsky in honor of Christ's Resurrection  
Jim & Bernie Gilbertson in memory of our parents  
Craig & Joan Cram in memory of Maynard & Joyce Calgaard  
Barb & Larry Croghan in memory of our parents  
Sandy Arp in memory of DuWayne Arp  
Dave & Megan Dahlke Cordes family in honor of our families  
Nate & Diane Frambach in honor of our parents  
Steve Geisert in memory of Janel Geisert  
Joan & Dan Decker in memory of our parents

### **Highway Cleanup**

Coming – Saturday April 6. See display in fellowship area! Previous volunteers will receive an e-mail; new volunteers are welcome.

### **Calling Bakers**

We're looking for any good bakers who may be interested in making and donating a pie for a silent auction to support the youth attending the gathering this summer. If interested, please talk to Pastor Karla for more information. Thank you!

## **This Week at Lord of Life**

Sunday, March 31	8:00 AM	Worship in-person
	10:30 AM	Worship in-person or online
Monday, April 1	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	
Wednesday, April 3	5:45 PM	Worship & Music Meeting
	6:30 PM	NOW band practice
Thursday, April 4	1:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry

## **This Week's Worship Servants**

<b>Readers:</b>	8:00 Steve Heer	10:30 Barry Pickart
<b>Ushers:</b>	8:00 Don & Kayleen Backhaus	10:30 Phil Granovsky
<b>Tech/PPT:</b>	8:00	10:30

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