

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Easter Sunday



WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning
the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!

Everybody Is Somebody Here

PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Alleluia. Christ is Risen!

A: **Christ is Risen indeed.**

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A: **Christ is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

GATHERING HYMN

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

ELW #365

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”

ELW #857

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you C: **And also with you**
Risen Lord, **you have been true to your word, and you**
have shown that death could not defeat life. Be with us
as this Easter mystery unfolds not just in one moment
but over a lifetime. As we trust in the promise of the
resurrection help us to see you in places we may never
imagine. Trusting in your promise to not be afraid and
to live with great joy. In the name of the risen Christ,
Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



GOSPEL READING:

Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. 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.

L: The Gospel of our Lord C: **Thanks Be to God**

MESSAGE

Pastor Brent Erler

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today: Alleluia!" ELW #369

APOSTLES CREED

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.**

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THE MEAL

God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOISY OFFERING

Lutheran Disaster Response

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden,
through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage,
not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us
and your love supporting us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENDING HYMN

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!"

ELW #377

SENDING

POSTLUDE

Serving Today

Pastor

Brent Erler

Assisting Minister

Dana Sahlin

Musicians

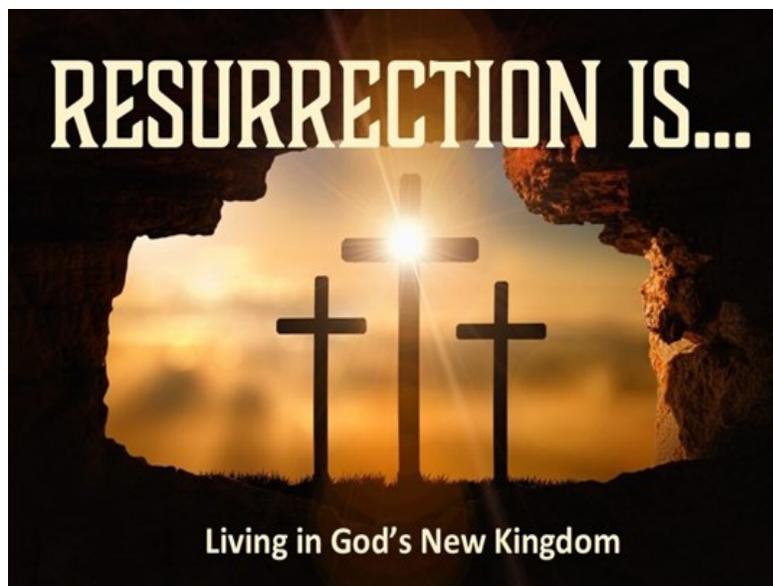
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*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.



The theme for the Easter season is “Resurrection is...”

Easter isn't just a onetime event, but it's about becoming something new and claiming our identity in the risen Lord, while preparing for our ministries in the body of Christ.

Living in the Resurrection we become renewed people, discover our true gifts, connect with our God-given passion, live in community, and make an impact in the world.

Deep down this is exactly who we are called to be both as children of God and a community of faith.

Joining a timeless community of Easter people we will walk through the Gospel and Psalms to live into the Resurrection mystery.

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