



# OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Easter Sunday – April 17, 2022, 8:00 am



*Easter*

### **A NOTE ABOUT OUR SERVICE**

“Christ is risen!” Those are three words of truth that bring us true peace and lasting joy. The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is our guarantee that our sins are forgiven and that we have the victory over death. Thank you for joining us, and may the Lord richly bless your worship!

### **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

Lord Jesus, when you rose victorious from death, you gave us a day of great rejoicing. This is the day you made! Let our praises of joy and delight ring out to celebrate the good news of your resurrection, for you live and reign as our Savior. Amen.

### **GUEST ASSISTANCE**

If you have any questions, please speak to one of the ushers assisting with this service.

Our Savior’s members give freewill and regular offerings to honor God and support our ministry. Guests are welcome to give but should not feel obligated to do so.

### **SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

- Minister – Pastor Walter Davidson
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Mark Krohn & Kurt Schubring  
*(Next Sunday – Tim & Ellen Heil)*

## OPENING HYMN OF JOY

### Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

CW 438 sts. 1–3

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n 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!

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## EASTER ACCLAMATION

M: Christ is risen!

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

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Jesus was pierced for our transgressions. He was crushed for our iniquities.

C: **The punishment that brought us peace was upon him and by his wounds we are healed.**

M: He was delivered over to death for our sins,

C: **And was raised to life for our justification.**

M: The Lord is risen: Let us worship him!

## HYMN OF PRAISE

CW 438 st. 4

- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!  
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in newness of life and ever rejoice in the certain hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*Be seated*

## EASTER HYMN

### He's Risen, He's Risen

CW 445

- 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 praises 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, yes, he lives, and will nevermore die.
- 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you 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:  
with Father and Spirit he ever shall reign.

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## FIRST EASTER READING

*Exodus 15:1–11*

*The LORD is my strength and song*

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD. They said: I will sing to the LORD, for he is highly exalted. The horse and its rider he has thrown into the sea. <sup>2</sup>The LORD is my strength and song. <sup>3</sup>The LORD is a warrior. The LORD is his name. <sup>4</sup>He has cast Pharaoh's chariots and his army into the sea. His elite officers are drowned in the Red Sea. <sup>5</sup>The deep waters covered them. They sank down to the depths like a stone. <sup>6</sup>LORD, your right hand is glorious in power. LORD, your right hand has shattered the enemy. <sup>7</sup>In your great majesty you overthrew those who opposed you. You sent out your burning anger. It consumed them like stubble. <sup>8</sup>At the blast from your nostrils the waters piled up. The flowing waters stood up like a dam. The deep waters became solid in the heart of the sea. <sup>9</sup>The enemy said, "I will pursue. I will overtake. I will divide the plunder. I will do whatever I want with them. I will draw my sword, and my hand will destroy them." <sup>10</sup>But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters. <sup>11</sup>LORD, who is like you among the gods? Who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in praise, working wonders?

# Psalm 118A This is the Day the LORD Has Made

## Refrain



This is the day the LORD has made, let us re-joice and be glad!



This is the day the LORD has made, let us re-joice and be glad!

## Tone



The LORD is my strength and / my defense;  
he has become my sal- / vation.  
The LORD's right hand is / lifted high;  
the LORD's right hand has done / mighty things!  
I will not / die but live,  
and will proclaim what the / LORD has done. *Refrain*

I will give you thanks, for you / answered me;  
you have become my sal- / vation.  
The stone the builders re- / jected  
has become the / cornerstone;  
the LORD has / done this,  
and it is marvelous / in our eyes.  
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## SECOND EASTER READING

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

*Christ was raised on the third day*

Brothers, I am going to call your attention to the gospel that I preached to you. You received it, and you took your stand on it. <sup>2</sup>You are also being saved by that gospel that was expressed in the words I preached to you, if you keep your hold on it—unless you believed in vain. <sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, 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>After that he appeared to over five hundred brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, but some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, he appeared also to me, the stillborn child, so to speak. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, and I am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted God's church. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not ineffective. On the contrary, I worked more than all of them (and yet it wasn't my doing, but it was the grace of God, which was with me, that did it). <sup>11</sup>So whether it is I or they, that is what we preach, and that is what you believed.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

1 Corinthians 15:22

Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia.  
For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. Alleluia.

*Stand*

## EASTER GOSPEL

Luke 24:1–12

*"He is not here, but has been raised!"*

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women went to the tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb. <sup>3</sup>When they went in, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men stood by them in dazzling clothing. <sup>5</sup>The women were terrified and bowed down with their faces to the ground.

The men said to them, “Why are you looking for the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here, but has been raised! Remember how he told you while he was still in Galilee <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again?” <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words.

<sup>9</sup>When they returned from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>Yet these words seemed to them like nonsense, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over to look in, he saw only the strips of linen cloth. He went home, amazed at what had happened.

M: This is the gospel of the Lord!

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

## **441 I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

CW 441

All      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!

All      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.

All      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.



Women 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.

All 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.

Men 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.

*Stand*

All 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.

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

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**SERMON**

*Luke 24:1-8*

***“If the Tomb Walls Could Talk!”***

## **THE CONFESSION OF OUR EASTER FAITH**

**We believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, who sent his Son to be our Savior, to conquer death by his Easter resurrection.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, our Lord. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, and became fully human. As true God and true man, he suffered under Pontius Pilate; he was crucified and died on Good Friday. He was buried in the grave. He rose victorious over death on Easter morning. By his life, death, and resurrection, he has set us free from the curse of sin, the pain of death, and the power of the devil. He has ascended into heaven, where he rules over all things. And he will come again on the Last Day to judge the living and the dead.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who has brought us to faith in the crucified and risen Christ. Through Word and Sacrament, the Holy Spirit continues to work in our hearts, leading us to remain steadfast and unmovable, always abounding in the work of our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **OFFERING & FRIENDSHIP REGISTER**

*Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register in each of the pews and greet your neighbors during the offering.*

## HYMN

### Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

CW 466

- 1 Christ has arisen, alleluia.  
Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.  
For our Redeemer burst from the tomb,  
even from death, dispelling its gloom. (Refrain)
  
- Ref **Let us sing praise to him with endless joy;  
death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.  
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!  
Jesus is living, alleluia!**
  
- 2 For three long days the grave did its worst  
until its strength by God was dispersed.  
He who gives life did death undergo,  
and in its conquest his might did show. (Refrain)
  
- 3 The angel said to them, "Do not fear!  
You look for Jesus who is not here.  
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare,  
only the grave cloths are lying there." (Refrain)
  
- 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave;  
he has arisen this world to save.  
Jesus' redeeming labors are done,  
even the battle with sin is won." (Refrain)
  
- 5 Christ has arisen; he sets us free;  
alleluia, to him praises be.  
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;  
he reigns triumphant, heavenly King. (Refrain)

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*Please stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

**C: Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

M: In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.

**C: Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.**

M: Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory:

**C: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.**

M: Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.

**C: Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.**

M: Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

M: Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts, we come before you and say:

**C: Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## 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

M: Brothers and sisters, go in the peace that only Easter brings. Live  
in harmony with one another. Serve the risen Lord with gladness.  
The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

*Be seated*

## Closing Hymn

### This Joyful Eastertide

CW 449

1 This joyful Eastertide  
away with sin and sorrow!  
My love, the Crucified,  
has sprung to life this morrow.  
Had Christ, who once was slain,  
not burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain:  
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;  
but now has Christ arisen!

2 Death's flood has lost its chill  
since Jesus crossed the river.  
Lover of souls, from ill  
my passing soul deliver.  
Had Christ, who once was slain,  
not burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain:  
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;  
but now has Christ arisen!

3 My flesh in hope shall rest  
and for a season slumber  
till trump from east to west  
shall wake the dead in number.  
Had Christ, who once was slain,  
not burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain:  
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;  
but now has Christ arisen!

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### **Easter Breakfast**

All are invited to join us in the church basement fellowship room for a light breakfast and fellowship. *We thank Thrivent for providing financial assistance.*

## This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ

<b>Today</b>	8:00 AM 9:00 AM	Easter Sunday Worship <i>Easter Breakfast &amp; Fellowship</i>
<b>Monday</b>		<i>No School</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	4-6 PM	Literacy Night at OS School
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 PM	Small Group Bible Study
<b>Thursday</b>	1:00 PM 6:00 PM	Ladies' Aid School Choice Information Meeting
<b>Saturday</b>		OS Day at Dime & Dollar
<b>Sunday 4/24</b>	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship with Communion

**Literacy Night** at Our Savior's School on Tuesday, April 19 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Parents and their children ages 3-7 are invited to enjoy various literacy activities together. Join us for the fun!

**School Choice Information Meeting** Our school is considering joining the School Choice program. A Choice expert will be here on Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 pm to present information and answer questions. All are welcome.

### **Forward in Christ & Portals of Prayer**

The latest issues are available today.

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