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April 9, 2023 Easter Sunday

Introduction to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

You can find the live stream at the following locations:

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Prelude



Welcome – Return of the Alleluias

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen indeed, alleluia

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Stand if you are able)

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!



Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt. Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

GREETING

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

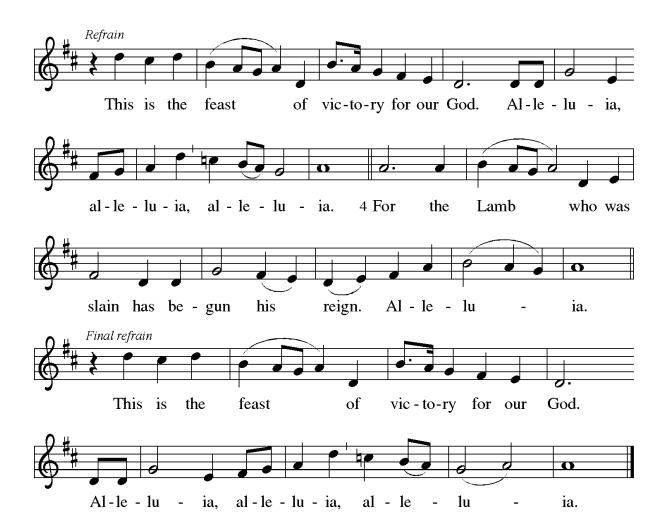
C: And also with you.

Kyrie



This is the Feast





Prayer of the Day

L: 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)

First Reading- 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."

L: A reading from Acts.

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.

C

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)

- L: ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.
- C: ²Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."
- L: ¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.
- C: ¹⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!
- L: ¹⁶The right hand of the LORD^I is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
- C: ¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.
- L: ¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.
- C: ¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.
- L: ²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."
- C: ²¹I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.
- L: ²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- **C:** ²³By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- L: ²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

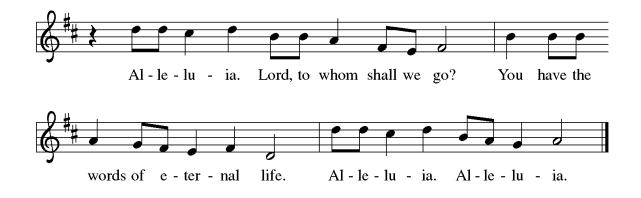
A reading from the Third letter to the Colossians:

¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Gospel Acclamation



The Gospel – Matthew 28:1-10

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon / Sermon



Hymn of the Day



Text: Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

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

P: United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

- P: You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for (Dietrich Bonhoeffer and) all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world (places of concern or conflict may be named) that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized (especially) and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.

P: You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise (especially), free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

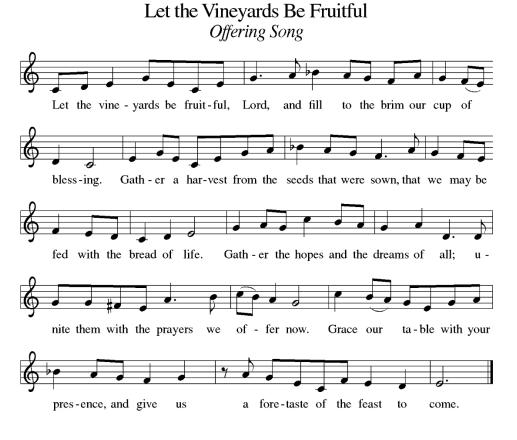
Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: Up from the Grave

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



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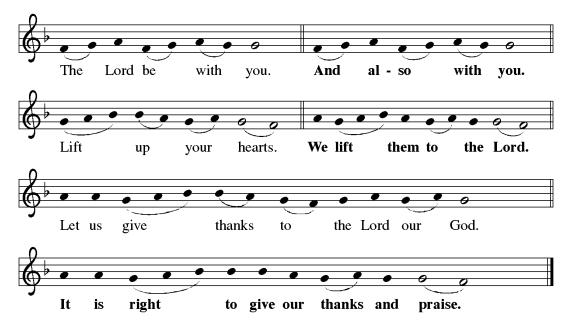
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Offering Prayer

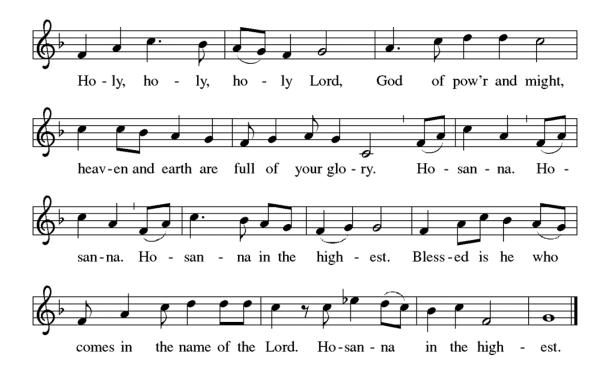
- P: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving



Preface (spoken by Pastor)



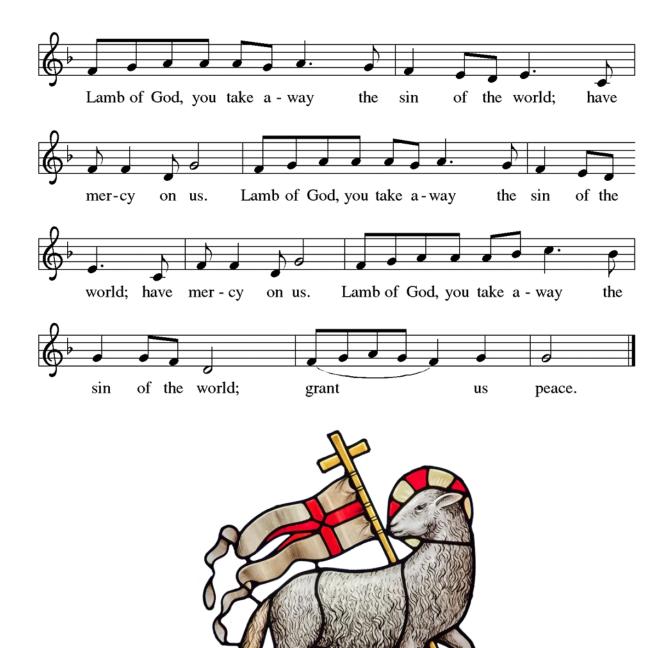
Eucharistic Prayer (said by Pastor

Lord's Prayer

- P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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: Taste and see that the Lord is good



Come to the Table



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Table Blessing (spoken by pastor – Congregation remain seated)

Prayer after Communion

P: 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.

C: Amen.

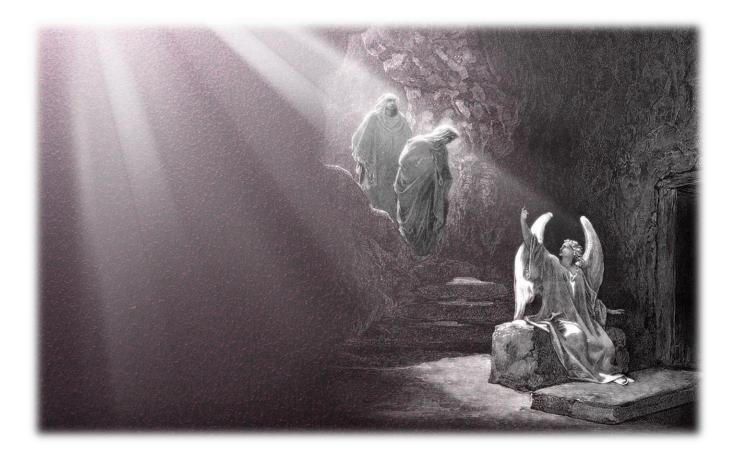
Announcements

BLESSING

P: The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL



SENDING SONG

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



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

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS BAPTISMS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARY

	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	BAPTISMS
9			Diane De Walt
10			Becca Anderson
12		Barbara & Mike Altemus(37 th)	
13	Phyllis Lanshe, Ben Naska, Sr.		
14	Joshua Roney		

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES				
Date	<u>Time</u>	Activity		
Monday, April 10	11:00 AM	Anne Valent Memorial service		
Tuesday, April 11, 2023	5:30 PM	Church Council (note schedule change)		
Wednesday, April 12, 2023	10:00 -1:00	Office hours		
	1:00 PM	Book of Acts bible study @ Hlavaty's		
Thursday, April 13, 2023	12:00-3:00	NO Pastor's office hours or Chat-n-Chew. , in		
		case of emergency, call the church office.		
	7:00 PM	Palisades Area Lutheran Ministries (PALM)		
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES				
Sunday April 16, 2023	10:30 AM	Second Sunday of Easter		
Tuesday, April 18, 2023	7:30 PM	Finance Committee meeting		
Wednesday, April 19, 2023	10:00 AM-	NO Pastor's office hours, in case of emergency,		
	1:00 PM	call the church office		
Thursday, April 20, 2023	12:00PM-	NO Pastor's office hours or Chat-n-Chew. , in		
	3:00PM	case of emergency, call the church office		
Friday, April 21, 2023	10:00AM	WELCA - "It is More Blessed to Give than		
		Receive"		
Sunday April 23, 2023	10:30 AM	Third Sunday of Easter		
		Care-a-Lot Sunday & Open house		
Wednesday, April 26, 2023	10:00 AM-	Pastor's office hours		
	1:00 PM	Book of Acts bible study @ Hlavaty's		
	1:00 PM			
Thursday, April 27, 2023	12:00PM-	Pastor's office hours & 12:30 Chat-n-Chew		
	3:00PM			
Sunday April 30, 2023	10:30 AM	Fourth Sunday of Easter		

Saturday, May 20, 2023 Lutheran Night at the Phillies	4:05 PM	Go to <u>www.phillies.com/lutheran</u> to buy tickets. The Cluster is chrtering a school bus, \$25 per person, call the church office or email <u>phillies@durhamlutheran.org</u> to reserve.
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April Outreach



Our Outreach envelopes for April have been designated for the *Care-a-lot Preschool Scholarship Fund*. We are also collecting soup for local food banks. You can sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex to donate an Outreach Basket. You can either buy the supplies or Helen Dungan can shop for you.

Please lift up in prayer the following:



For Healing of those in our Congregation:

Barbara Altemus; Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Helen Dungan; Frank Erceg; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Josh, Bethany, Ella, Barbara, & Julia Michl; Barbara Naska; Bonnie Pyne dePortillo; Donnie Pyne; Ed Xander; and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family:

Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Michael Barats; Anthony Beck; Aiden Benoure; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Emma Brown; Melissa Carafa; Deb Carmichael; Stephanie Courtney; Miriam Deal; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Nancy Edelen; Diane Ellington; Chris Fear; Cindy Gilligan; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Anna Gachev-Friedel; Debbie Gardner; Joann Gary; Candie Gimbar; Penni Griffith; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Tom MacFarland; Chelsea Marley; Jim McAnally; Sean McNulty; Sue Odor; Lucia Otero; Debra Patten; Jennifer Phelps; Tom Ross; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; Lani Schlegel; Debbie Schultz; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Shawn Stadt; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; and Henry Wong.

For those who are Homebound:

Cleo & Ken Eck; Norma Fox; Betty Kreitz; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller; Silas Rodenbach; and Hal Taylor.

For families and friends grieving the loss of:

Stan Aagaard; Wanda Altemose; Ollie Butler; Anna Gachev-Friedel; LaDonna Gibbs; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Cecelia Kukuchka; Robert Newcomb; Lisa Pezzino; Donald Seipt; Anne Valent; Erma Velehradsky; Linda Wilson

If you want to add someone to the prayer list or correct or update it, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: <u>yakkityyak7@gmail.com</u>.

Easter Flower Donations

Member	In Memory Of	In Honor Of
Ed Xander	Nancy Jean Xander	
Becky Praster	Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Praster	
	Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Harman	
Kathy and Joe	Our Parents, Don and Gerry	
Hlavaty	Seipt	
	Joe and Wanda Hlavaty	
Lois Altemose	Loved Ones	
Pat Zion	Benjamin and Clara Patten	
The Phillipps	Andrea Dolak, Stephie	
Family	Palmieri, Matthew Marchese,	
	Victoria Smith	
The Mueller	Opa Mueller and Grandpa	Grandma Mueller and
Family	Snyder	Grandma Snyder
Barb and Ben	Loved ones	Our Children and
Naska		Grandchildren
Lynn and Tim	Parents, Bob and Evelyn	Clayton and Darby
Leichliter	Newcomb	Leichliter
	Brothers, Bobby and Glenn	
	Newcomb	
	Our Grandparents	



Helping in Worship

Preacher	Rev. James Heckman
Organist/Choir Director	Carolyn Williams
Acolyte	Addyson Mammana
Altar	Barb Naska and Linda Sauter
Lector	Be von Watzdorf
Greeter(s)	Leo Grzelkowsi & Bea Von Watzdorf
Communion Usher	Ken Anderson
Council Counting Team	Becky Praster and Bea Von Watzdorf
Administration & Technology	Ken Anderson
Custodian	Dianna Streletz