

*Easter Day —
The Resurrection of Our Lord*



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Welcome to All in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

Gathering

Allellulia! Christ is Risen! The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Confession & Forgiveness

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Lord Jesus, you defeated the powers of evil and death. Lord, have mercy.

C: We confess letting fear of sin and death rob us of joy. Lord, have mercy.

P: Lord Jesus, you rose from the dead to give us hope and life. Christ, have mercy.

C: We confess our failure to proclaim this good news to others. Christ, have mercy.

P: Lord Jesus, you breathe your Holy Spirit onto us, giving us your peace. Lord, have mercy.

C: Forgive us our sins and bring us to new life. Lord, have mercy.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **C: Amen**

Opening

Hymn

#151

Green

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!

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

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**Hymn
Of
Praise**
#385
ELW

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

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Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

P: 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.**

The Liturgy of the Word

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

God engages us in holy conversation—speaking and listening.

Let us open our ears and hearts to hear God's voice in the words spoken to us.

Let us celebrate new life by putting God's Word into action.

First Reading — Acts 10:34-43

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."

P: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for ¹he is good; his mercy en-¹dures forever.

²**Let Israel ¹now proclaim, "His mercy en-¹dures forever."**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength ¹and my song,
and he has become ¹my salvation.

¹⁵**There is a sound of exulta-¹tion
and victory in the tents ¹of the righteous:**

¹⁶"The right hand of the ¹LORD has triumphed!
The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the ¹LORD has triumphed!"

¹⁷**I shall not ¹die, but live, and declare the works ¹of the LORD.**

¹⁸The LORD has pun-¹ished me sorely,
but he did not hand me o-¹ver to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the ¹gates of righteousness;
I will enter them; I will offer thanks ¹to the LORD.**

²⁰"This is the gate ¹of the LORD; he who is right-¹eous may enter."

²¹ **I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.**

²² The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ **This is the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴ On this day the LORD has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading — Colossians 3:1-4

A reading from Colossians

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

P: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation — "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done" #135 Green
Cantor will sing the Alleluia.

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

Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed.*
Therefore, let us keep the feast. *Alleluia.* (1 Cor. 5:7, 8)

Gospel — Matthew 28:1-10

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹ After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And 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. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then 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." ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly 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: The gospel of the Lord. **C: praise to you, O Christ.**

The Message

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

**Hymn
Of the
Day**
#143
Green

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re-sounds in praise of love that
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, there - fore our heart with
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt-less love; set heart and will on
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring and with the heav'n-ly



still a - bounds: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
rap - ture sings: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
things a - bove that we con - quer through your tri - umph;
bless - ed sing: “Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!”



Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song
Now still he comes to give us life and by his pres -
grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day that by our lives
Be to the Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest,



of glo - ry here: “Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!”
ence stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
we tru - ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
most ho - ly God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

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Nicene Creed

Together with the whole church let us confess our faith.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator 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**

Prayers of Intercession

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

A brief silence.

P: Almighty God, enliven your church to witness to your salvation. Accept our 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 our words and actions. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Bring forth abundant life as 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: Show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world, that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Encourage us by Jesus' example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. Heal and support all who are sick, dying, or hospitalized, and for all health care workers who care for them. We pray especially for those we name before you now.....Risen Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Put gladness in our hearts as we rejoice in Jesus' resurrection. Inspire musicians and dancers to help us respond with joyous songs of victory. Bless all who foster our assembly's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: As you have raised Jesus from the dead, show us your resurrection promise. With your saints who sing your praise, free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news, so that all might come to know you on the day of Christ's coming in glory. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Rejoicing in the victory of the resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal Father; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **C: Amen.**

Peace

Because of Jesus' death and resurrection. God does not hold our sins against us. This is true peace, Like Jesus with his disciples, the pastor shares the word of reconciliation from God to us.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

We share Christ's forgiving and reconciling love with one another, binding ourselves to one another as community. As we are at peace with God, so we are also at peace with one another.

Thanksgiving We respond to God's abundant grace and mercy

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Thanksgiving for the Word

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! **C: He is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

P: Let us pray.

We praise you, Holy God, who is, who was, and who is to come, for speaking us into existence, for speaking to us your loving will through the Holy Scriptures, and for speaking yourself into humanity in Jesus, your living Word. Grant us to receive your Word eagerly— hearing, reading, and learning it as our life story— so that we may grasp the hope of everlasting life given to us through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen. We praise you for your Word.

P: We radiate with your love, Merciful Father, as you have demonstrated it in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Shine the light of your love into all the world.

C: Amen. We praise you for your radiance and love.

P: You pour out the Holy Spirit on your church so that we may live as Jesus lives. Grant us the boldness to share the Good News of Jesus’ forgiveness and grace to all who will listen.

C: Amen. We praise you for mercy and life.

P: Raise us from the dead through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

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

Sending

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

Benediction

P: Almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter and protect you against all sin. **C: Amen**

P: Through the resurrection of his Son, God has granted us healing. May he fulfill his promises and bless you with eternal life. **C: Amen**

P: You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of his resurrection. May you come with joy to the feast which lasts forever. **C: Amen**

P: The blessing of the living God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage. **C: Amen.**

Sending**Song**

#131

Green

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!

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Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the good news. C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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In memory of David Brent Schlegel

In honor of David Stoverschlegel

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As disciples and stewards of Jesus Christ, we, the members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church are committed to the preaching and teaching of the Word of God to all people. We will reach out to one another and to others, giving and receiving, in worship, fellowship, and witness to Jesus Christ!

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