Resurrection of Our Lord



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"As a welcoming Body of Christ, we celebrate
and share God's saving grace for all."

Prelude

Welcome – Announcements

Call to Worship

L: On this Easter morning we lift our hearts with praise,

C: we open our lives with joy!

L: Jesus is Light of the world!

C: Alleluia!

L: Jesus has brought death to life.

C: We come into your presence with singing,

L: We come into your presence with songs of joy!

C: Alleluia!

L: Alleluia!

C: **Praise the Lord!**

Thanksgiving for Baptism

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

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden. In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life. We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

Prayer of the Day

P: God of mercy,

C: we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering Hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" Number 365

- 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!
- 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!

Bible Reading Jeremiah 31:1-6

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. ² Thus says the LORD: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, ³ the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. ⁴ Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. ⁵ Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. ⁶ For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of E'phraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God."

- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

- L: Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.
- C: Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."
- L: The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.
- C: Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!
- L: The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
- C: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.
- L: The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.
- C: Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.
- L: "This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."
- C: I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.
- L: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

- C: By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- L: This is the day that the LORD has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Bible Reading

So if 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: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:1-10

After 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: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Children's Message

Message Pr. Susan Dollinger

Special Music "This Joyful Eastertide"

George R. Woodward, arr. Heayley Willan

Prayers of Intercession

P: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

P: God of resurrection, from the very beginning you give the church the gift of women as your witnesses: as preachers, teachers, and leaders. Open our ears to their proclamation this day and always. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: All your creation praises you—the earth hums, the seas pulse, the stars shine, and the galaxies whirl in glorious harmonies to honor you. Let us hear and blend our voices in the song. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: The countries of the world experience disunity and conflict; we set our minds on fear and greed rather than on your rule of justice and steadfast love. Build up all countries on your cornerstone of peace. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We still weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn. Cradle the fearful, the suffering, and the dying, assuring them of your loving presence, especially those we remember in our out loud or in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bless the creative and helpful service of worship leaders this day: musicians, ushers, greeters, worship assistants, preachers, readers, and all others who provide welcome and hospitality in our midst. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Risen Lord, you went ahead of us into the grave and defeated the powers of evil. We remember those who have died.

Inspire us to live our lives in this resurrection hope and draw us to you in our final days. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of the risen Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Offering Prayer

P: Merciful God,

C: our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives.

Feed us again at this table for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. Amen.

Words of Institution

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.

Invitation to Communion

Prayer after Communion

P: Life-giving God,

C: you have fed us with your word, and our hearts burn within us. Through this meal you have opened us to your presence.

Now send us forth to share the gifts of Easter with all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

P: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father,

→ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. *Amen.*

Sending Hymn "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" Number 618

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.
- Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs and praises, songs and praises, I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore.

Dismissal

P: Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Christ is with you. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

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alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4

"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

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