

# THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

MARCH 31, 2024 | 10:45 AM



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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**A**lleluia! Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. This morning begins with confusion: the stone has been moved and the tomb is empty. Disciples arrive, then angels, and finally Jesus himself. Out of the confusion, hope emerges, and a weeping woman becomes the first to confess her faith in the risen Lord. But this is why we gather: to proclaim, witness, praise, and affirm the liberating reality of Christ's death and resurrection. In word and feast, we celebrate God's unending love, and depart to share this good news with all the world. Alleluia!

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

### MARCH 31, 2024

*10:45 AM Praise Worship Service with Holy Communion*

\*You are invited to stand

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## GATHERING

**Gathering Music**

**The Bells of Good Shepherd**

**Welcome**

**\*Easter Proclamation** *(repeat three times)*

- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C** Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**\*Thanksgiving at the Font** *(turn and face the baptismal font)*

- P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
- C** Amen.

- P** Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.

Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.

By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

## \*Gathering Song

## "Jesus Is Alive"

Words and Music by Ron Kenoly; © 1987 Integrity's Hosanna! Music

### Chorus

Hallelujah Jesus is alive  
Death has lost its vict'ry  
And the grave has been denied  
Jesus lives forever  
He's alive He's alive

The curse of sin is broken  
And we have perfect liberty  
The Lamb of God has risen  
He's alive He's alive  
*(repeat chorus and verse)*

### Verse

He's the Alpha and Omega  
The first and last is He

### Ending

Hallelujah Jesus is alive

## \*Greeting

☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. ☑ **And also with you.**

## \*Prayer of the Day

☞ 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. ☑ **Amen.**

## WORD

### First Reading

☞ A reading from Acts

*At conclusion of reading*

☞ The Word of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**Acts 10:34-43**

*Pew Bible, Page 1002*

### Second Reading

☞ A reading from First Corinthians.

*At conclusion of reading*

☞ The Word of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God**

**1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

*Pew Bible, Page 1048*

## \*Gospel

☞ The holy gospel according to John.

*At conclusion of reading*

☞ The gospel of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**John 20:1-18**

*Pew Bible, Page 988*

**\*Song of Day**

**"Risen Today"**

*Words by Charles Wesley and Aaron Shust; Music by Aaron Shust; © 2011 Bridge Building Music, Inc. | CP Shust Tunes*

**Verse 1**

Christ the Lord is risen today  
Hallelujah  
Sons of man and angels say  
Hallelujah  
Raise your joys and triumphs high  
Hallelujah  
Sing ye heavens and earth reply

Hallelujah  
Death in vain forbid Him rise  
Hallelujah  
Christ has opened paradise

**Chorus**

Hallelujah He is risen  
Hallelujah our sins have been forgiven  
Now we have power over the grave  
Christ the Lord is risen today  
We have power over the grave  
Christ the Lord is risen today

**Verse 2**

Love's redeeming work is done  
Hallelujah  
Fought the fight the battle won

**\*Nicene 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**

*The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "God of grace," worshippers respond with the words, "hear our prayer".*

## **\*Peace**

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

*(Please greet one another with a friendly word or non-contact gesture of God's peace.)*

## MEAL

### **Offering**

*The "Who's Who in the Pew" pads are passed as the offering is received.*

### **Offering Anthem**

### **"Because He Lives (Amen)"**

### **Praise Team**

*-by Ed Cash, Gloria Gaither, Jason Ingram, Matt Maher, Daniel Carson, William J. Gaither and Chris Tomlin*

### **\*Offering Prayer**

**A** Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **C** **Amen.**

### **\*Words of Institution**

### **\*Lord's Prayer**

**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**

### **Communion Songs**

#### **"Agnus Dei"**

*Words and Music by Michael W. Smith;© 1990 Sony/ATV Milene Music*

#### **Verse**

Alleluia alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia

#### **Chorus**

Holy holy

Are You Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb

You are holy holy

Are You Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

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You are holy holy  
Are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Worthy is the Lamb  
You are holy holy  
Are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Amen

## **"In Christ Alone"**

*Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend;© 2001 Thankyou Music*

### **Verse 1**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

### **Verse 2**

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

### **Verse 3**

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

### **Verse 4**

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## “Listen to the words (Peace be with you)”

Words and Music by Joel Payne; © Joel Payne / RESOUNDworship.org

### Verse

Listen to the words  
of the risen Christ:  
peace be with you.  
Come and see his hands  
and the wound in his side:  
peace be with you.  
With the eyes of faith  
are you ready to see?  
Peace be with you.  
Come with all your doubts  
for it's time to believe:  
peace be with you,  
peace be with you.

### Bridge

Let the breath of God now fill me;  
wholeness, fullness, life within me.  
Full forgiveness given freely,  
I receive as Jesus sends me.  
*(Repeat Verse)*

### \*Post Communion Blessing

☞ May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. ☩ Amen.

### \*Prayer After Communion

☩ Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. ☩ Amen.

## SENDING

### \*Blessing

☞ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☩ **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

☞ The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always. ☩ Amen.



## \*Sending Song

## "He Lives!"

Words and Music by Anthony Skinner, Chris McClarney and Jonathan Smith; © Bethel Music Publishing SESAC | Thirsty Boots Music | Capitol CMG Genesis | Tiny Hits | Be Essential Songs | Cashagamble Jet Music

### Verse 1

See the tomb where He laid  
See the stone rolled away  
He is risen He is risen He's alive  
See His hands see His feet  
Touch His scars and believe  
He is risen He is risen He's alive  
Oh He's alive

### Chorus

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever amen  
Jesus lives

### Verse 2

Hear the shackles breaking free  
Hear the song of the redeemed

### \*Dismissal

- 🎵 Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- 🎵 Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

### Sending Music

### Praise Team

He is moving He is moving He's alive  
So take this freedom take this love  
Can you feel it rising up  
He is here He is here He's alive

### Final Chorus

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever amen  
Jesus  
He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever amen  
Jesus lives  
Jesus lives  
He is risen He is risen He's alive

*"Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you."*

*Romans 15:7*

*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.*

If you ordered an Easter Lily and want to take it home, you may do so following the 10:45 a.m. service. Any lilies not picked up will be given away.



## *Easter Lilies*

*Alan and Pastor Karen Boda in memory of Bill and Elizabeth Miller  
and in honor of Dan and Eleanor Boda*

*Patricia Bull in memory of Robert Taylor Bull*

*Sandy Cerstvik in celebration of our Risen Lord and in memory of loved  
ones*

*Ruth Clark in memory of Bobby, Kenny and Mom*

*The Champion Family in celebration of their beautiful children, Lily  
and Paul.*

*The Dias Family in memory of Ed Dias*

*Linda Drage in celebration of Easter and in memory of her parents*

*Pete and Sue Dumpis in memory of Lottie and Richard Worley and  
Baiba and Ilmars Dumpis and in honor of Christ is Risen*

*The Frink Family in honor of Pastor Karen and our church staff*

*Sally and Terry George in memory of their parents*

*Vic and Deborah Johnson in celebration of Easter*

# *Easter Lilies*

*Linda and Mark Martin in memory of Laura and Tony and families  
and Don, Clara, Ruth and Harold*

*Jeff and Heidi Nugent in memory of our loved ones who have gone  
before us and their children, Nate, Norissa and Elyse*

*Lori and Chris Peters and family in celebration of the Resurrection of  
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and in honor of their children's and  
grandchildren's' baptism birthdays.*

*Ted and Carol Rodi in memory of our parents Bill, Ingatill, John and  
Armella*

*Vic & Linda Rowell in memory of Lloyd & Clara Rowell, Joseph &  
Barbara Damico, Tom, Mary, Anita and Ed*

*Craig & Bev Stichtenoth in memory of their parents*

*Reba Sumner to the Glory of God in thanksgiving and in honor of  
Pastor Karen*

*Jennifer Taylor in memory of her parents, brother and sister*

**GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF**

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