

EASTER DAY Celebrate the Resurrection

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN "Green Book" 151 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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

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

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

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

OPENING BLESSING

- Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

- People: Death is swallowed up in victory!
- Pastor: O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?
- People: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

BEING OPEN TO GOD......AND RECEIVING FORGIVENESS

Pastor: "We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus." *Romans* 6:8–11 People: "I caused Your grief and sighing by evils multiplying as countless as the sands." It was our sin that caused Christ to die to ransom us from the death of sin. By the power of Your death and resurrection, Lord Jesus, forgive us and raise us to new life.

Pastor: The risen Jesus is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. Whoever believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Green Book" pg. 81 This is the Feast

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his, This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **People: Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43 Peter tells the Good News of Jesus

So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

EPISTLE Colossians 3:1–4 Set you mind on the things that are above

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

CHOIR ANTHEM Resurrection Victory By Lloyd Larson

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 28:1–10 The first witnesses to the Resurrection

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "GREEN BOOK" 170 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne; Hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but his own. Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee, And hail him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.

Crown him the virgin's Son, The God incarnate born, Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now his brow adorn; Fruit of the mystic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The root whence mercy ever flows, The babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love – Behold his hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified. No angels in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bend their burning eyes At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife For those he came to save. His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died, eternal life to bring, And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, Whose pow'r a scepter sways From pole to pole, that wars may cease Absorbed in prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end, And round his pierced feet Fair flow'rs of paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, The potentate of time, Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

SERMON	"Victory for all"	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
CHOIR ANTHEM	Do You Know He's Risen	By Dianne & Terry Randolph

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GATHERING OF OUR EASTER OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+SACRAMENT+

WORDS OF OUR LORD Matt. 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corin. 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Revelation 22:20

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9–13)

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Red Book" 66 Great Is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, By His power we trust In His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, By His mercy He proves He is love. **Chorus:**

Great is the Lord, And worthy of glory, Great is the Lord, And worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord, Now lift up your voice, Now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, By His power we trust In His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, By His mercy He proves He is love **Chorus** Great are you Lord, And worthy of glory Great are you Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great are you Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice: Great are you Lord! Great are you Lord!

"Green Book" 210 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious king, Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from his pierced side. Alleluia!

Praise we him, whose love divine Gives his sacred blood for wine, Gives his body for the feast Christ the victim, Christ the priest Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured Death's dread angel sheathes the sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread; With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above. Alleluia!

Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And your saints in you shall rise. Alleluia!

Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free Newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, your name we praise. Alleluia!

CLOSING BLESSING

Pastor: The blessing of almighty God: Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit be in you and go with you always. **People:** Amen.

DISMISSAL

- Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
- People: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!