

presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of our worship.



Death Has Lost Its Sting

The Triduum The Triduum is a single celebration. Once we have begun the Triduum on Maundy Thursday, we do not "leave" it until Easter Sunday. It is one continuous celebration of dying and rising, with Christ.

Easter Festival Worship Death can sting in many ways. First, death can sting by casting a shadow over every moment of life. No matter what earthly joy you are experiencing, death guarantees it won't last. Second, death can sting by separating loves. There are no phone calls or hugs from the dead. Third, death can sting by instilling fear of what follows. Deep down, every human being senses that after death there is some sort of reckoning. . . a judgement. Yes, death can sting in many ways.

Note that word can. Because he lives, death has lost its sting for those who put their faith in the living Lord. Because Christ lives, we have all the proof we need that God accepted Jesus' death as the complete and final payment for all our sin. Those who are in Christ need no judgment. There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ. More, Christ's resurrection is the assurance that our Christian loved ones are not lost. Death remains unnatural. But Christ has defeated death. So, while death may still cause tears, death does not cause dread. Because he lives, death has lost its sting.

Preservice

Church Band

Ode to Joy The Heavens Are Telling Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

OPENING RESPONSES

Choir

He is risen! He is risen! Alleluia, Christ is risen! Let the song ring out through all the earth: "Our Savior's risen this day!" Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing a joyful alleluia. For the chains of death can hold Him no more. Let us praise His name. Let the earth proclaim: "He is risen!"

He is risen! He is risen! Alleluia, Christ is risen! On this happy morn a miracle comes to those who truly believe. Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing a joyful alleluia. For a new and glorious day has begun. Let the bells ring out, let the people shout: "He is risen!"

For Christ the Lord has been victorious, freeing us from death and sin. Now a new life waits before us. All on earth is born again. Come rejoicing, come rejoicing. Raise your voice, Raise your voice in praise.

He is risen! He is risen! Alleluia, Christ is risen. Let the message ring throughout the world: "He lives this Easter day!" Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing a joyful alleluia. Let us celebrate the wonderful news. Let the anthems ring, let the people sing: "He is risen! Alleluia!"

Stand

M: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

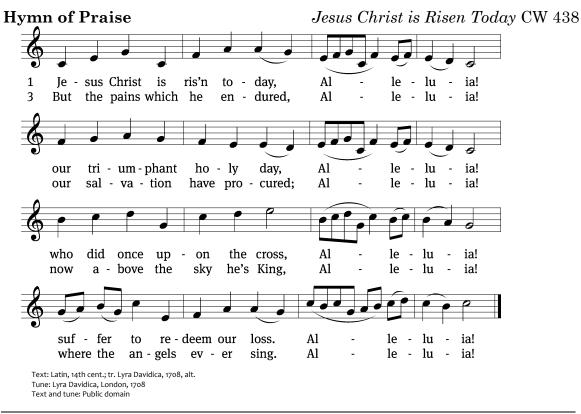
C: (sung) Alleluia! M: Jesus was delivered over to death for our sins

C: (sung) Alleluia! C: And he was raised to life for our justification!

M: This is the day the Lord has made! C: (sung) Alleluia!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it! C: (sung) Alleluia!

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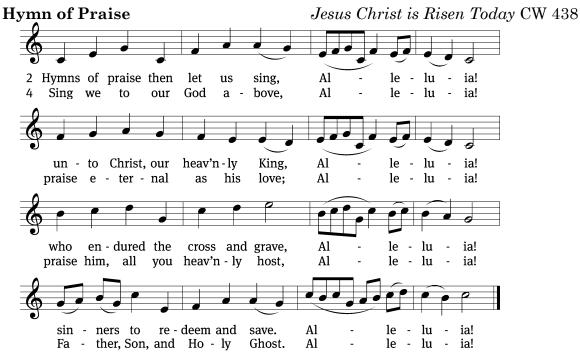


CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Let us confess our sins to God, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds, 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



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Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 25:6-9

Lord has taken away our disgrace, torn up the shroud of death, and promised us an eternal feast of joy. ⁶On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine the best of meats and the finest of wines. ⁷On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces: he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. ⁹In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God: we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him;

let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation." (NIV)



I Will Not Die but Live Psalm 118f CW

Psalm of the Day

Choir/Cantor:

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.



Choir:

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. The Lord's right hand is lifted high; The Lord's right hand has done mighty things! I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Congregation: I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Choir:

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. I will give you thanks for you answered me; You have become my salvation. I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Congregation: I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Choir:

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad. I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Congregation: I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

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Second Lesson

Christ is risen, so death has lost its sting.

⁵¹Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— ⁵²in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. ⁵⁴When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

⁵⁵"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. (NIV)

Verse of the Day

Sung responsively (Lectern side - Pulpit side)

L - This is the day,P - This is the day,L - that the Lord has made,P - that the Lord has made,L - We will rejoiceP - We will rejoiceL - and be glad in itP - and be glad in it.

All - This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

L - This is the day, P - This is the day,

All - that the Lord has made.

Repeat

Stand

Gospel

The account of Christ's Easter victory.

¹On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again." ⁸Then they remembered his words.

1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Luke 24:1–12

This Is The Day

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⁹When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹²Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened. (NIV)



Be Seated

I Know that My Redeemer Lives CW 441 Hymn v. 1: all; v. 2: women; v.3 men; v.4:all; v. 5: choir; v. 6 all; v. 7 acapella; v. 8 all (stand) O Ι know that my Re deem er lives! What com-fort 1 -2 He lives tri - um grave: lives phant from the he еhis 3 He lives to bless me with love: he lives to 4 He lives rich he lives to grant me sup ply; to ο this gives! lives. who sweet sen - tence He lives. he nal he lives all glo rious ter lv to save: plead for bove; he lives me а my hun grv guide lives com - fort me with his eve; he to er - liv - ing head! dead; lives, my once was he ev ex - alt in the sky; he lives ed there on high. feed: he lives help time of need. soul to to in hear when faint: he lives to my soul's com - plaint. me

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe away my tears; he lives to calm my troubled heart; he lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
 he lives, and I shall conquer death;
 he lives my mansion to prepare;
 he lives to bring me safely there.

8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same. Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Sermon

Stand

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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Be SeatedPlease sign the friendship register located in your pew.OfferingGuests please don't feel a necessity to give an offering today. "Each of you should give
what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God
loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Musical Offering:

Antiphonal Celebration Church Band

Stand

Prayer of the Church

- M: Heavenly Father, God of grace, you have brought us into a new and living hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.
- C: Christ is risen!
- M: For as in Adam all died, so in Christ all will be made alive.
- C: He is risen indeed!
- M: He was delivered over to death for our sins, and raised to life for our justification.
- C: Alleluia!
- M: We marvel at the love you showed by your willingness to sacrifice your Son to pay for our sins; we bow down in adoration at your mighty power which raised him from the dead.
- C: We praise you for sending the true Life and Light into the world.
- M: Lord Jesus, God of grace, you have filled our hearts with resurrection joy by your victory over sin, death, and the grave.
- C: You have conquered the darkness and given us comfort and hope.
- M: With the church of every age, we offer you unending praise, for you have crushed Satan's head and have removed our guilt.

C: You are risen!

M: Dear Savior, we who are weary and burdened come to you for rest, knowing that because of your perfect redemption there is now no condemnation for us.

C: You are risen indeed!

M: Take away our doubts and fears, and daily renew in us the joy of our salvation.

C: Alleluia!

- M: Holy Spirit, God of grace, you have called us by the gospel and brought us to saving faith in our risen Lord.
- C: We glorify you for opening our eyes to see the light of life.
- M: Keep us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.
- C: He is risen!

M: As we journey through life, make us yearn for the day when you will give eternal life to us and all believers in Christ.

C: He is risen indeed!

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- M: Work through us as we proclaim the saving message of the crucified and risen Jesus near and far, so that many others may hear your call, obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, and join us before the throne of our God and of the Lamb.
- C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia!

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.

THE SACRAMENT

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms and placed all things under his feet for the benefit of the Church. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

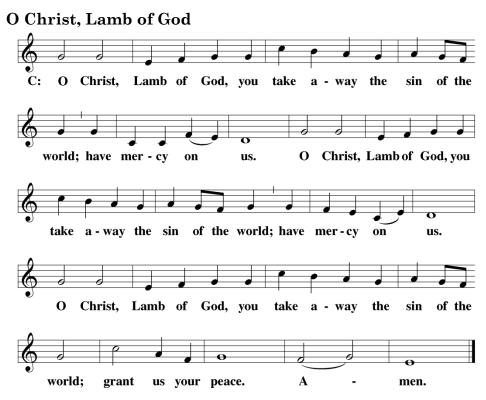


Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

- M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.



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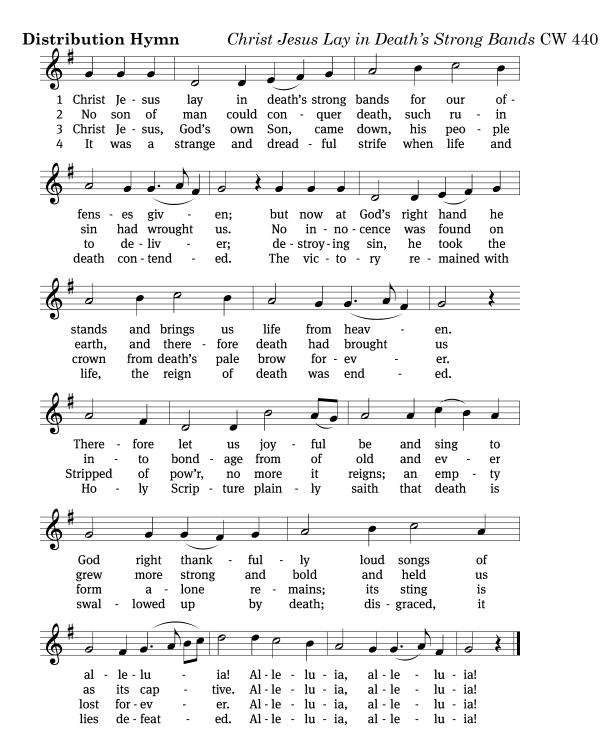
Communion

Please remember to register for communion using the sheets in the back of the church, elder's room or the sacristy room and in the basement. 2 individual cups of white grape juice are available in each tray for those who prefer/need to have a nonalcohol alternative to wine. Gluten free wafers are also available. Hold your hand palm down to let the server know you would like the gluten free wafer.

You can use the questions on page 295 in they hymnal or the review of Lord's Supper on page 293 of the hymnal to prepare for communion.

Distribution

Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith (1 Corinthians 10:17) and warns there are dangers in taking the Lord's Supper in an improper way (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), we practice close communion. WELS, ELS, and members of other churches around the world who are in fellowship with WELS are welcome to commune with us. If you would like to learn more about becoming a member and communing with us in the future, please speak to pastor or an usher.

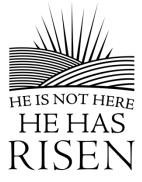


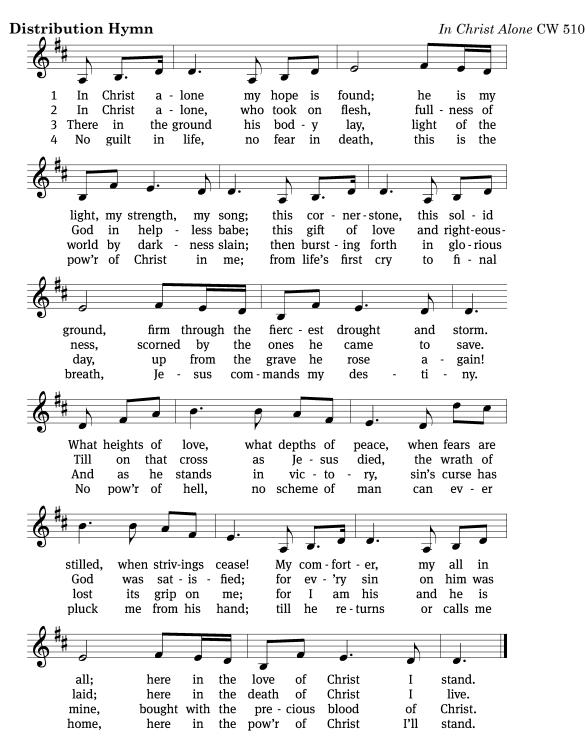
5 Here the true Paschal Lamb we see, whom God so freely gave us; he died on the accursèd tree so strong his love—to save us.
See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it; death passes o'er, and Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia, alleluia!

6 So let us keep the festival to which the Lord invites us;
Christ is himself the joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us. Now his grace to us imparts eternal sunshine to our hearts; the night of sin is ended. Alleluia, alleluia!

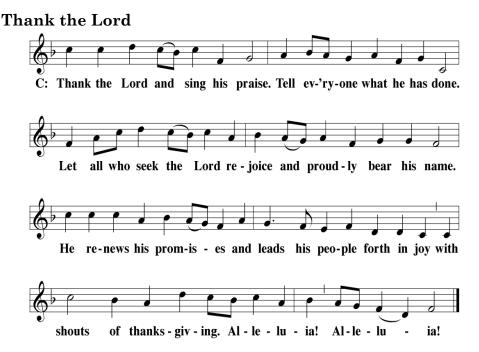
7 Then let us feast this Easter Day on Christ, the bread of heaven; the Word of grace has purged away the old and evil leaven.
Christ alone our souls will feed; he is our meat and drink indeed; faith lives upon no other! Alleluia, alleluia!

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Stand



M: Hear the prayers of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son, may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Benediction

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



Be Seated

Choir

Hallelujah Chorus, From "The Messiah"

Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of the world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ. And he shall reign forever and ever. Forever and ever, Hallelujah! King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, And he shall reign forever and ever. King of Kings, forever and ever. And Lords of Lords, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!!

Postlude:

Trumpet Voluntary Church Band

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Thank you for joining us in worship today! Refreshments are available in the basement after the service.

Announcement Sheets are available in the back of church.

The Easter Lilies in the front of church today were given by the people listed on the back page. Thank you to everyone for providing lilies for us to enjoy today. The contrast between the starkness of Good Friday worship and the sights and smells of Easter worship reminds us that everything has changed. Christ is risen! We have been declared not guilty!

Lilies may be taken home after Festival Worship. Thanks again!

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In Christ Alone

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Eater Lilies Given In Honor

For: From: In honor of all those who serve in the ministry of the Lord Phyllis

Phyllis Wegner

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Eater Lilies Given In Memory

From:

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