

# **Easter Day Resurrection of Our Lord**

**April 4, 2021**

9:00 am

Communion



*278 Years Of  
"Joyously proclaiming the good news of God's love"*

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SPRING CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Founded in 1743

**THIS WEEK AT ZION**

Sunday 4/4	8.00 am	Bell choir
	9:00 am	Worship
Monday	7:30 pm	AA Meeting
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Tai Kwan Do
	7.30 pm	Executive Committee Meeting
Sunday 4/11	9:00 am	Worship

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**A Congregation of the Southeastern Pa. Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

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This week	
Barbara Miller -Seeley	Assistant Minister
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Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
Michelle Favara	Hymns

**We thank you for your service to the church.**

**We will be celebrating Communion today. Please keep bread and wine ready.**

Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## INTRODUCTION

*Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. With Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, we may feel astonished and confused, unsure of what to make of the empty tomb. 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!*

## PRELUDES

On Tannenberg- "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" by G. F. Handel, Arr. by Lani Smith  
"At the Rising of the Sun" by David Paxton  
"Resurrection Joy" by Gregg Sewell

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## RELEASING THE ALLELUIAS

## GREETING

P: Alleluia ! Christ is risen!

**A: Christ is risen indeed ! Alleluia !**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**A: And also with you.**

Hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"- #365 ELW Vs. 1 & 4



Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love, Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Al - le - lu - ia!

Music: J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica Text: Latin carol, 14th cent. J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica,, alt.; Charles Wesley,

## **Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (Vs 1 & 4)**

- 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!
- 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!

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: God of mercy, 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.

**A: Amen.**

## **EASTER LITANY**

P: Hold your head high, Christ has risen!  
Death has been conquered. Christ has restored us to new life. All that is broken has been made whole.

**A: "Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?"**

P: Hold your head high, Christ has risen!  
From a triumphant Palm Sunday to a dark Friday, passing through sorrow, through death, to life and joy, we arrive at Easter. We know that joy and sorrow, life and death are bound together.

**A: By the power of God, the cross could not defeat Christ.  
The tomb could not hold him.**

P: Hold your head high, Christ has risen!  
Carry forward God's healing. Carry it to a world where truth and justice triumph over evil and oppression. You have been called out of death and into new life!

**A: Rejoice! Life bursts through death.  
Jesus Christ is alive for evermore! Alleluia!**

**Hymn of Praise Alleluia! Jesus is risen!**

**#377 ELW , Vs 1**

### Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight! Refrain Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise. Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!' The score includes a 'Refrain' label above the fifth staff.

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926, Music: David N. Johnson, 1922–1987

Alleluia! Jesus is risen!  
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!  
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

#### Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

*Please be seated*

### First Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

*The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.*

R: A reading from the 1<sup>st</sup> book of Corinthians:

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

R: Word of God. Word of Life.

**A & P: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

*This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)*

R: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.

**A & P:** Let Israel now declare, " God's mercy endures forever."

R: The Lord is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

**A & P:** Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

R: The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

**A & P:** I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

R: The Lord indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

**A & P:** Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

R: "This is the gate of the Lord; here the righteous may enter."

**A & P:** I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

R: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

**A & P:** By the Lord has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

R: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Please stand*

**ACCLAMATION      Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord !**

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth.  
Jesus has died and has risen.

(Refrain)

## Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

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Rehearsal F Dm Gm C

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord;

F Dm Gm C F

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give praise to his name.

Licensing- Text & Music: Donald Fishel b. 1950; arr Betty Pulkingham b. 1928

**Gospel: Mark 16:1-8**

*The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

**A: Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back.

As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**A: Praise to you, O Christ**

*Please be seated*

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE** by Pastor Tina Mackie

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*You can add names to the prayer list by contacting the church office. After three weeks names will be removed from the prayer of intercession unless resubmitted. These people will still be in our private prayers.*

*Please stand*

*A: Let us rejoice and be glad on this festival of Christ's resurrection, offering our prayers to God for all in any need, concluding each petition with the Easter response "Christ is risen indeed."*

A: We praise you for the gift of the global church and for all the newly baptized around the world. And we pray that you send the Spirit of the resurrection into every assembly of the baptized. Give us joy in one another and hope in the face of sorrow, for Christ is risen:

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

A: We praise you for the wondrous earth that you continuously create and for the myriad plants and animals that show forth your glory. And we pray for everything in nature that is endangered, from the undersea coral to the elephants of Africa. Form us into caretakers who protect your lands and seas, for Christ is risen:

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

A: We praise you for the times of peace and freedom that you have granted to us. And we pray for everyone who suffers from yet more gun violence, from prejudice and injustice, from oppression and poverty. Bring an end to wars and tyrannical rule throughout the world, for Christ is risen:

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

A: We praise you for the food that you provide and for the promise of an everlasting feast for all peoples. And we pray for everyone who is hungry, for residents in refugee camps, for teenage migrants, for the people who live on our streets, that they all may be fed. Show us how to meet the needs of the hungry in our world, for Christ is risen:

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

A: We praise you for a lessening of the pandemic and for the availability of vaccines. And we pray for everyone who is still contracting the coronavirus, for healthcare workers, and for all who have lost family, friends, and livelihood. Restore health throughout the world, for Christ is risen:

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

A: We praise you for each day of health and well-being. And we pray for everyone who suffers from illness of any kind, for those who today will die, and for those we name here before you: . . . Receive our prayers for **Fawn** Keenan and **Ralph** Finkbiner. Heal them with your loving might. Accompany all who face troubles and sorrows, for Christ is risen:

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

A: We praise you for your words to Isaiah, to Paul and Peter, to Mary Magdalene and the women at the tomb, and to each one of us. Receive now, we pray, our silent prayers, for Christ is risen:

*Others for whom you may wish to pray: (names submitted by our members): Moriah Finkbiner, Roxanne Robinson and Christine Roleski.*

**P: Christ is risen indeed.**

P: We praise you for the presence of the risen Christ among us and for the witness of all who have died in the faith, especially Benedict the African. And we pray that at the end of all things you raise us with all the saints to rejoice in your presence forever, for Christ is risen:

**A: Christ is risen indeed.**

P: In thanksgiving for the new life of the resurrection, we raise these prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ. our Savior and Lord.

**A: Amen.**

### **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

**A: And also with you.**

*Let us share the peace with one another*

### **OFFERING INVITATION**

*Please be seated*

### **OFFERING with Special music**

**"Thine is the Glory"** - Bell Choir - Text: Edmond Budry; tr. R. Birch Hoyle Music: George Frideric Handel

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table.

Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.

Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world;  
for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

**P: Amen.**

*Please stand*



### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**



*Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices communion hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper. Parent(s)/Grandparent(s) will place their hands on untutored young people for a blessing given by the Pastor. The response when receiving the bread and wine could be: "Amen" or "I believe." (Grape juice and Gluten Free wafers are available)*

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

**Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might:  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high-est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Text: "Sanctus," tr. English Language Liturgical Consultation  
Music: *Mass of Creation*, Marty Haugen, b. 1959  
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P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

P: With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**A: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ.

**A: Amen.**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**A: 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

P: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

**A: Amen.**

### SHARING IN COMMUNION

P: This is the Body of Christ given for you

**A: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will eat the wafer)

P: This is the Blood of Christ given for you

**A: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will drink the wine)

### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace.

**A: Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**P: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy, the Lord look upon you and give you peace.

**A: Amen**

**THE SENDING HYMN "Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing"**

**#389 ELW- Vs. 1 & 5**

**Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing**

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: 1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die. o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren ,Music: T. Williams

**DISMISSAL**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**A: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

**P: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

"Trumphal March" by William Stickles

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**BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday	Exodus 15:1-18	The Lord has triumphed gloriously
Tuesday	Isaiah 65:17-25	God promises a new heaven and a new earth
Wednesday	Luke 24:1-12	The resurrection according to Luke
Thursday	I Corinthians 15:19-26	Christ raised from the dead
Friday	Acts 10:34-43	God raises Jesus on the third day
Saturday	Psalms 148	Let every created thing praise the Lord