



HOLY COMMUNION

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

EASTER SUNDAY

April 12, 2009 + 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Central - in the heart of the city, welcomes all people to celebrate, discover and share the love of Christ

Christ our paschal light rises in the darkness

On this day the Lord has acted! On the first day of the week God began creation, transforming darkness into light. On this, the "eighth day" of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. We celebrate this new creation in the waters of baptism and in the feast of victory. With great joy we celebrate this day of days, even as we begin the great fifty days of Easter. Filled with hope, we go forth to share the news that Christ is risen!



GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit gathers
us in unity
on the first day
of the week, the day of
Christ's resurrection*

PRELUDE

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

arr. Robert Hobby

The assembly stands to face the worship leaders at the back of the church.

EASTER PROCLAMATION

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
A He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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ALLELUIA!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

stanzas 2 & 3 in harmony



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, 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!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; 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!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, 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!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

"This Is the Feast"

This is the feast of
vic-to-ry for our God, Al-le-lu - ia.
Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es,
wis-dom, strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo - ry are his.
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, Al-le-lu -
ia. *Choir: Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er.
All: This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, Al-le-lu -
ia. For the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al-le -
lu-ia, al - le - lu - ia! This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our
God, Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia!

"This Is the Feast" © 2003,
Mark Sedio

*God speaks to us in
scripture reading,
preaching,
and song*

*Peter crosses the immense
religious and social boundary
that separates Jews from
Gentiles in order to proclaim
the good news of Jesus' life,
death, and resurrection, so that
God's forgiveness in Jesus'
name would reach out to the
Gentiles just as it had to Jews.*

*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 Lord in the
preaching of this faith.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P ...who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

AD Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited to come forward; parents are welcome to come with their children.

FIRST READING *God raised Jesus on the third day* Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The word of the Lord.

AD Thanks be to God.

MUSIC FOR BELLS

"The Strife Is O'er"

arr. Arnold Sherman

SECOND READING *Witnesses to the risen Christ* 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Paul writes:

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, ²through 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.

³For 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, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord.

AD Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

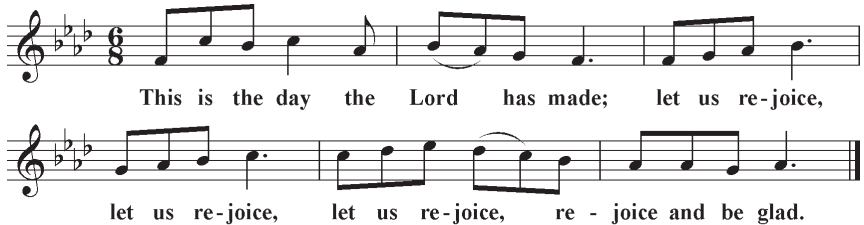
"This Is the Day" (*Psalm 118*)

Lynn Trapp

Choir This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice, rejoice and be glad.

Choir Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love endures forever.
Let the house of Israel say: "His love endures forever."

All Refrain



Psalm 118
Setting by Lynn Trapp
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Choir The hand of the Lord has struck with power;
his right hand is exalted. I shall not die, but live anew,
declaring the works of the Lord

All Refrain

Choir The stone which the builders rejected has become the
cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done,
it is wonderful in our eyes.

All Refrain

GOSPEL *The resurrection is announced*
The carillon rings out the Easter gospel.

Mark 16:1-8

The holy gospel according to Mark.

All **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 him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But 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. ⁷But 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."

⁸So 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.

The gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

GOSPEL PROCESSION
"Easter Fanfare"

Mark Sedio

SERMON
"A Fearful Joy"

Pastor Rick Nelson

ALLELUIA!

HYMN OF THE DAY

"We Know that Christ Is Raised"



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows
Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood.
and our des - pair he turned to blaz - ing joy:
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:
Hal - le - lu - jah!

ENGELBERG
Text: John B. Geyer
Music: Charles Stanford
Setting: Stephen Paulus

NICENE CREED

A With the whole church, let us confess our Easter faith.

AD 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.

God feeds us
with the presence
of Jesus Christ



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- A** Rejoicing in the wonder of new life in Jesus Christ,
let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

after each petition:

Lord in your mercy,

- All** hear our prayer.

- P** Receive these our prayers, gracious God, for the sake of the crucified
and risen one, Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

- All** Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

- P** The peace of our risen Lord be with you always.

- All** And also with you.

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another.

GATHERING OF GIFTS

While the offering is received lay ministers prepare the table.

The assembly stands as the procession reaches the chancel.

Anthem

"Easter Hymn of Gladness" Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Daniel Kallman

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise.

Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.

He who on the cross as Savior, for the world's salvation bled,

Jesus Christ the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to life is born.

Glorious life, and life immortal on this holy Easter morn.

Christ has triumphed, and we conquer by his mighty enterprise,

we with him to life immortal by his resurrection rise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;

Alleluia to the Savior, who has won the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity,

Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.

text: Christopher Wordsworth

Offertory Prayer

- A** Let us pray together.

- All** Risen Christ, receive these gifts,
with our hopes, dreams, and prayers.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread,

that our eyes may be opened to see your presence among us,

and our lives filled with the new life of your resurrection. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P** The Lord be with you.

- All** And also with you.

- P** Lift up your hearts.

- All** We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

- All** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... join their unending hymn:

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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

Eucharistic Prayer

☐ ...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

☐ ...now and forever.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

Lord's Prayer (1975)

☐ Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.



All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Grape juice and gluten-free bread are available upon request.

Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion at this service is served standing by intinction. Please follow the direction of the ushers to a communion station. Receive the bread and dip it in the chalice of wine.

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to the Table

☐ The Lord swallows up death forever and makes a feast of rich food and wine. Eat, drink, the gift is for you.

Communion

Music during Communion

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

arr. Douglas Wagner

"Sonata"

Antonio Bertali

Blessing and Prayer after Communion

☐ Amen.

silence for reflection

God blesses and sends us
in mission to the world



SENDING

BLESSING

☩ May the risen Christ bring you all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope.

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

☩ Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“Thine Is the Glory”

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain
where thy bod - y lay,
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939
Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

ALLELUIA!

DISMISSAL

Please face the cross for the dismissal.

- A** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
M **Christ is risen indeed!**
- A** Go in peace. Share the good news.
M **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

The carillon sends the assembly into mission.

POSTLUDE

"Toccatà from Symphony V"

Charles-Marie Widor

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SERVING TODAY



Pastor Rick Nelson	<i>preaching</i>
Kris Stedje	<i>assisting minister</i>
Mark Sedio	<i>cantor/organist</i>
Jane Lien	<i>associate cantor</i>
Central Choir	<i>choir</i>
Campanas Central	<i>bell choir</i>
Richard Adams, Todd Wedekind, Erika Hammerschmidt,	
Steve Hammerschmidt, Josh Kubasta	<i>brass quintet</i>
Sara Heimsoth	<i>timpanist</i>
Kathryn Holum,	
Marlee & Julia Baron, Christy James, Shirley Dahl, Jody Halverson,	
Rick Johnston, Mark Baumgartner, Kirsten Laderach, Althea Tysk	<i>processional corps</i>
Debra Thelen	<i>radio announcer</i>
Pastor Kristen Jacobson	<i>presiding, 8:30</i>
George Holtan	<i>reader, 8:30</i>
Pastor D. Foy Christopherson	<i>presiding, 11:00</i>
Mons Teig	<i>reader, 11:00</i>
Phil Ranheim, Rebecca Sundquist, Barb Hoernemann,	
Kathy & Ron Fiscus,	
Kris Schoephoerster, Mark Halaas, Dennis Griffin, Mons Teig,	
Mark Peterson	<i>communion ministers</i>
George & Mary Holtan, Fred & Anne Stechmann,	
Mary Gunderson, Gary Johnson, Lance Olson	<i>hosts and greeters</i>
Bob Boldt	<i>cover art</i>
Christopher Haug, Dave Nelson, Michael Wickman, David West	<i>seasonal environment & art</i>

WELCOME! HAPPY EASTER!



Everyone is welcome. As a community of the people of God, the members of Central Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ “there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male or female” (Galatians 3:28). Christ has made us one.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. We invite guests to complete the “Welcome to Central” card found in the pew racks and leave it with an usher or place it in the offering plate. If you would like more information about Central, please contact us at 612-870-4416, or email info@centralmpls.org.

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available at Sanctuary entrances. If you would prefer to use Central’s nursery (available for children ages four and younger), you will find it up the steps from the information desk at the South Entrance (across from the fellowship hall). An usher or greeter will be glad to assist you.

Welcome to the Lord’s Table. All are welcome at the Lord’s Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to persons in designated access seating areas. If you are not in a designated access seating area and desire to commune where you are seated, please notify an usher who will direct communion ministers to come and serve you. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. Gluten-free breads and alcohol-free wine are available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

We envision becoming a thriving, vibrant model of urban Lutheran ministry for the 21st century. This lofty vision requires us to ask each day if our goals for worship, learning, and service are clearly reaching a diverse neighborhood and city in language and action that reflect the world as well as our heritage.