



alleluia
christ is risen
he is risen indeed
alleluia



HOLY COMMUNION RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

EASTER SUNDAY

April 4, 2010 + 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 is the first growth of heaven's eternal spring

*The church celebrates the presence of the risen Lord as he brings us to life in baptism, gives us his body and blood, speaks his word of promise, and comes to us in the Christian community. With Mary each of us may joyfully proclaim:
"I have seen the Lord."*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Easter Carillon"
"Hymn of Promise"

Robert Powell
arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

At the sound of the carillon, 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!
- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- A** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
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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!

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

ALLELUIA!

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!

GREETING

- P** The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- A** 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 people 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*

"This Is the Feast" © 2003,
 Mark Sedio

ALLELUIA!

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

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, sums up the essential message of Christianity. Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

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!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

Luke writes:

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but 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."

Word of God, Word of life.

- ☞ Thanks be to God.

MUSIC FOR BELLS

"Now the Green Blade Rises"

arr. Kevin McChesney

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Christ raised from the dead, the first fruits

Paul describes the consequences of the resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God's victorious rule over all.

Paul writes:

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²²for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Word of God, Word of life.

AD Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

"Easter Fanfare" (*Christ the Lord Is Risen*)
Christ the Lord is risen, alleluia.

Paul Fetler

GOSPEL

Seeing the risen Christ

John 20:1-18

The carillon rings out the Easter gospel.

The holy gospel according to John.

AD Glory to you, O Lord.

This morning began with confusion: the stone was moved and the tomb was 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.



Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

ALLELUIA!

The gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

"Easter Fanfare"

Mark Sedio

SERMON

"The Easter Napkin"

Pastor Rick Nelson

HYMN OF THE DAY

"We Know that Christ Is Raised"



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 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,
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

NICENE CREED

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

All 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

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,

AD hear our prayer.

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

AD Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

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

AD And also with you.

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

GATHERING OF GIFTS

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, bread, wine, money, and other gifts are brought forward. The assembly stands as the procession reaches the chancel.

Anthem

"Sing Alleluia, Jesus Lives"

Robert Wetzler

Sing alleluia, Jesus lives, awake and see the sun has risen. The earth breaks forth in joy today, released from sleep in death's dark prison. Christ has risen, death defying, sing a song of love and life undying; Alleluia, Christ has risen! Come faithful people gather round, and sing a song of joy and gladness. The night is gone, a new day dawns, there is no need for gloom and sadness. Sing his praises, every nation, raise a song of joy and exultation; Alleluia, now Christ has risen. He comes with power to break death's hold and brings new hope to captive mortals; He lives to free us from our ills, and opens heaven's mighty portals; Jesus lives! O'er death victorious, lead us to our heavenly home most glorious; Alleluia, Christ has risen! The angels gather at his feet, their hymns of joy and triumph raising. Let all the earth rise up and join the song, the glorious Savior praising. Praise the God of all creation, endless be our hymns of adoration; Alleluia, Christ has risen! We thank you, Jesus, that your hand has led us with your love so tender into that glorious promised land where we may gaze upon your splendor! Praise and thanks and adoration be unto the Lord for our salvation; Alleluia, Christ has risen. Sing alleluia, Jesus lives, awake, the sun has risen. Sing alleluia, Christ has risen. Shout for joy! He lives!

God feeds us
with the presence
of Jesus Christ



ALLELUIA!

Offertory Prayer

- A** Let us pray together.
AD 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.
AD And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
AD We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
AD It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- P** 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, 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

- P** ...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



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

- P** ...now and forever.



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



All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

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.

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

Lord's Prayer (1975)

A 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.

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to the Table

P 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

"The Trumpet Shall Sound" from *Messiah*

G. F. Handel

Hymn

"Now the Green Blade Rises"



All: Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain.
 Organ: In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain.
 All: Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain.
 All: When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



Wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain:
 Think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain.
 He that for three days in the grave had lain:
 Your touch can call us back to life a - gain.



Love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
 Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
 Raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen:
 Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:



Love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Prayer after Communion

A God of abundance,
 with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with
 Christ, making us one with all your people.
 Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
 that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
 and continue forever in the risen life
 of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

A Amen.

God blesses and sends us
in mission to the world

ALLELUIA!

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!

DISMISSAL

Please face the cross for the dismissal.

☑ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☑ Christ is risen indeed!



- A** Go in peace. Share the good news.
AD **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**
The carillon sends the assembly into mission.

POSTLUDE

“Toccata from Symphony V”

Charles-Marie Widor

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor Rick Nelson	<i>preaching</i>
Kris Schoephoerster	<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>
Thomas Dreeze	<i>bass soloist</i>
Graham Steede, Todd Wedekind, Erika Hammerschmidt, Steve Hammerschmidt, Josh Kubasta	<i>brass quintet</i>
Jon Lewis, Karl Jacobson Debra Thelen	<i>percussionists</i>
	<i>radio announcer</i>
Pastor Kristen Jacobson	<i>presiding, 8:30</i>
Leon Tibben	<i>reader, 8:30</i>
Brad Boogren, Leon Tibben, Shirley Dahl, Sara and Julia Stensaas	<i>processional corps, 8:30</i>
Pastor D. Foy Christopherson	<i>presiding, 11:00</i>
Mons Teig	<i>reader, 11:00</i>
Rick Johnston, Kris Stedje	<i>processional corps, 11:00</i>
Judith Stone, Mons Teig, Chuck Anderson, Dennis Griffin, Linda Singer, Barb Hoernemann, Sara Stensaas, Phil Ranheim, Leon & Deanne Tibben, Judy Berge, Ron & Kathy Fiscus, Shirley Dahl, Rick Johnston	<i>communion ministers</i>
Roberta Groening, Bill Masche, Leon & Deanne Tibben, Shirley Flachman, Bob & Judy Erdman	<i>hosts and greeters</i>
Bob Boldt	<i>cover art</i>
Dave Nelson, Michael Wickman, Christopher Haug, Kris Stedje	<i>seasonal environment & art</i>



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assisted listening devices, and access seating
are available to aid your participation in worship.
Please inquire with an usher.



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.

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