



About the Cover

David's psalm proclaims that the Lord is at his right hand, and at the Lord's right hand are pleasures forevermore (see Psalm 16:8, 11). David's soul will not be abandoned to Sheol. While David died and remained in the tomb, we know that this psalm is ultimately about Jesus. Jesus is the Holy One who did not see corruption in the tomb. He was raised from the dead, ascended, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father. Jesus will bring David and all who are in Him by faith to the resurrected life. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 65:17–25

- ¹⁷ "Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.
- ¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.
- ¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.
- ²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.
- ²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- ²² They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- ²³ They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them.
- ²⁴ Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,"
- says the LORD.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

¹⁹If in 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 firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule 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.

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:1–12

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸And they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

You will not abandon
my soul to Sheol

Psalm 16:10

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025

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Welcome to Our Visitors

We pray all will be spiritually enriched by your visit to this "House of God." Here Christ breaks the silence that surrounds mortal man in his sin and death. Here in Christ Jesus, we hear the voice of the Eternal One, and hear the voice of the Father, and that He loves us, that He forgives us and that in the resurrection of Christ, He has made us His Children and has given us victory over death itself.

In our Worship, this Easter Morning, we celebrate the Holy Communion. As Lutherans, we believe and teach that in the Sacrament we receive Christ's true body and blood, thus it is our duty to examine ourselves to our worthiness before reception of the Lord's Supper, (see pages 329-330 of the hymnal, Christian Questions and Their Answers). We ask that if you are not a member of our Congregation or a member of a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation, that you speak to Pastor or an Elder before the Service.

THE DIVINE SERVICE with HOLY COMMUNION

Liturgy – Divine Service I Pages 151-166

Ringing of the Bells, Welcome, and Announcements

Processional Hymn LSB#457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (please rise)

Invocation

Confession – Absolution Page 151

The Introit:

P: Alleluia. Christ has risen, as he said. He has risen from the dead. Alleluia.

C: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

P: Let Israel say: "His love endures forever."

C: I was pushed back and about to fall, but the Lord helped me.

P: I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

C: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone:

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

C: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, from the house of the Lord we bless you.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Alleluia. Christ has risen, as he said. He has risen from the dead. Alleluia.

The Kyrie Pages 152-153

The Hymn of Praise This is the Feast Sung by the Sunday School Children

The Salutation and Collect of the Day Page 156

The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 65:17-25 (see back of bulletin)

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual: (spoken by the Pastor)

Special Music by the Sunday School Children

The Epistle Reading: 1Corinthians 15:19-26 (see back of bulletin)

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia Verse Page 156

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

The Hymn of the Day LSB#464 The Strife Is O'er the Battle Done

The Sermon: The Hand of The Lord Who Is Risen! Psalm 16 and Luke 24:1-12

The Nicene Creed Page 158

The Prayer of the Church Response: P: Lord, in Your mercy, C: Hear our Prayer.

The Offering

The Service of Holy Communion Pages 160ff

The Distribution: Continuous Line

If you desire the Common Cup step over to the Elder after you receive the Host.

The Distribution Hymns LSB#461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

He's Risen He's Risen Sung by the Sunday School Children

#482 This Joyful Eastertide

The Post-Communion Canticle Thank the Lord Page 164

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The Benediction Page 166

Recessional Hymn LSB#478 The Day of Resurrection (please remain standing)

Saturday Evening Worship: 5:30 PM.

Holy Communion First and Third Saturdays

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 AM

Holy Communion: Second and Fourth Sundays

Sunday School 8:45 AM Adult Bible Class 9:00 AM