

Easter Service  
April 4, 2021

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.  
**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!  
**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, 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. Amen.  
**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

Introit

*Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b*

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
**the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.**  
The LORD is my strength and my song,  
**and he has become my salvation.**  
Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,  
**your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.**  
You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;  
**you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.**  
You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,  
**the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,**  
the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.  
**The LORD will reign forever and ever.**  
**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.**  
I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
**the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.**

Kyrie

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** Lord, have mercy.

- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** Lord, have mercy.  
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** Lord, have mercy.  
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** Lord, have mercy.  
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C** Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** Let us pray.  
Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 25:6–9*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.  
[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.  
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;  
**he has put all things under his feet.**

Epistle Reading

*1 Corinthians 15:1–11*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

SOLO: LSB 457 - Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!

Alleluia and Verse

- C** Alleluia.  
**Lord, to whom shall we go?**  
**You have the words of eternal life.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel Reading

*Mark 16:1–8*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Psalm

## Psalm 16

<sup>1</sup>Preserve me, O God,

**for in you I take refuge.**

<sup>2</sup>I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;

**I have no good apart from you.”**

<sup>3</sup>As for the saints in the land,

**they are the excellent ones,**

**in whom is all my delight.**

<sup>4</sup>The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;

**their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out**

**or take their names on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;

**you hold my lot.**

<sup>6</sup>The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

**indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

**in the night also my heart instructs me.**

<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me;

**because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

**my flesh also dwells secure.**

<sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

**or let your holy one see corruption.**

<sup>11</sup>You make known to me the path of life;

**in your presence there is fullness of joy;**

**at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

Sermon: “Return to the Lord: Return and See”

## Nicene Creed

**G** I believe in one God,

**the Father Almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth**

**and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,**

**the only-begotten Son of God,**

**begotten of His Father before all worlds,**

**God of God, Light of Light,**

**very God of very God,**

**begotten, not made,**

**being of one substance with the Father,**

**by whom all things were made;**

**who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven**

**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary**

**and was made man;**

**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures**

**and ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,**

**whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord and giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and**

**glorified,**

**who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,**

**and I look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

**P**...Lord, in your mercy:

**G** Hear our prayer.

**P**...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**G** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

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

**G** 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.**

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**G** Amen.

## Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2021 Concordia Publishing House.