



St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Building on the Rock of Jesus and His Word

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Christ bless us all as we gather with our fellow guests in His house!

Ringing of the Bells

SCRIPTURE

I Have Seen the Lord! | **John 20:1-18**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she left and ran to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb," she told them, "and we don't know where they put him!"

So Peter and the other disciple went out, heading for the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and got to the tomb first. Bending over, he saw the linen cloths lying there, yet he did not go in.

Then Simon Peter, who was following him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there. The cloth that had been on Jesus' head was not lying with the linen cloths, but was folded up in a separate place by itself. Then the other disciple, who arrived at the tomb first, also entered. He saw and believed. (They still did not yet understand the Scripture that he must rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to their homes.

But Mary stood outside facing the tomb, weeping. As she wept, she bent over, looking into the tomb. She saw two angels in white clothes sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and one at the feet. They asked her,

"Woman, why are you weeping?" She told them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I don't know where they have laid him." After she said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, though she did not know it was Jesus.

Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?" Supposing he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you carried him off, tell me where you laid him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and replied in Aramaic, "*Rabboni!*" (which means, "Teacher"). Jesus told her, "Do not continue to cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to my Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father—to my God and your God.'"

Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!" She also told them the things he said to her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, O Christ!

HYMN

Rejoice, Angelic Choirs, Rejoice | **957**

EASTER VERSES

The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

This is the day the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!

Your dead will live; their bodies will rise.

You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy. Alleluia!

Your dew is like the dew of the morning;

The earth will give birth to her dead. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you made the dawn of this most holy day shine with the glory of our Lord's resurrection. Grant that we who have been raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit may worship you in sincerity and truth;

**through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever. Amen.**

ADULT CHOIR IN 8:30 & 10:00

Awake! Arise! Go Forth!
By Don Besig

Awake, awake and hear the joyful news. For lo, the tomb is empty, the Savior has arisen! Awake, awake, and hear the wondrous truth. He lives again in glory; the promise is fulfilled. Sing alleluia, alleluia! Let your voices ring.
Sing alleluia, alleluia! Come now and sing.

Arise, arise and greet the happy morn. The darkness now is over, a brand new day is dawning. Arise, arise and see the earth reborn. God's majesty surrounds us with beauty and with love. Sing alleluia, alleluia! Let your voices ring.
Sing alleluia, alleluia! Come now and sing.

Three days of sorrow and deep despair; all of the world in darkness lay. Now comes the sun and the fresh morning air bringing the dawn of a new and glorious day!

Go forth, go forth and tell the joyful news. Proclaim to every nation: the Son of God is risen! Go forth, go forth and tell the wondrous truth. For Christ has been victorious; He reigns forevermore! Sing alleluia, alleluia! Let your voices ring.
Sing alleluia, alleluia! Come now and sing.

Sing alleluia, alleluia! Come now with joy and sing!

SCRIPTURE

Firstfruits of Those Fallen Asleep | **1 Corinthians 15:12-23**

If it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is

useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men.

**But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead,
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits;
then, when he comes, those who belong to him.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE

I Know that My Redeemer Lives | **Job 19:23-27**

[Job said:] Oh, that my words were recorded, that they were written on a scroll, that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead, or engraved in rock forever!

**I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.**

And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

HYMN

I Know that My Redeemer Lives | **441 stanzas 1, 2, 8**

SCRIPTURE*Baptized into His Death | Romans 6:3-11*

Don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection.

For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.

Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

HYMN*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds | 471 stanzas 1-2***SCRIPTURE***He Is Not Here | Luke 24:1-8*

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women went to the tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb. When they went in, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men stood by them in dazzling clothing. The women were terrified and bowed down with their faces to the ground. The men said to them, "Why are you looking for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has been raised! Remember how he told you while he was still in Galilee that the Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again?" Then they remembered his words.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ADULT CHOIR IN 8:30 & 10:00*The Tomb is Empty | 453*

Soloist/Choir will sing stanzas 1-3 & the congregation joins in 4-5

SERMON*Our Redeemer Lives!***OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH***Excerpt from the Athanasian Creed*

It is necessary for eternal salvation that one faithfully believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh. Now this is the true Christian faith:

We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity; and though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons but one:

one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God;

one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person; for just as the rational soul and flesh is one human being, so God and man is one Christ.

He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, and from there will come to judge the living and the dead. Amen.

THE OFFERING*Our very best to the Lord is gathered.***HYMN***Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense | 446*

REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

After each name is read, the congregation says:
“Christ is risen. Alleluia!”

LORD’S PRAYER

EASTER PRAYER

O God, who made this most holy day to shine with the glory of the resurrection of our Lord, preserve in all your people the Spirit of adoption which you have given that they may serve you in faith and joy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

He is risen! Alleluia! Amen!

HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today | 438



The Easter lilies decorating the sanctuary are given to the glory of our risen Savior by:

- *The Hanson & Toerpe Families in memory of Hollie Hanson*
- *The Fell Family in memory of Douglas Fell*
- *Barbara Krug in memory of Frank & Lois Krug*
- *The Family of John & Mary Trewin in memory of John & Mary Trewin*
- *The Family of Bea & Bob Gorske in memory of Bea & Bob Gorske*
- *Paula Walser; Brett, Shelby, Bea & Easton Walser; and David & Colleen Walser in memory of Richard Walser*
- *Rose Orvis in memory of Lorin Orvis*
- *Ann Trewin in memory of Gib Trewin*
- *Phil & Carolyn Kramer in memory of their daughter, Michele and mother, Gertrude Krueger*
- *Linda Will in memory of her grandparents, William & Bertha Wallendar and Gregor & Josephine Meyer*
- *Dave Oelke in memory of his mother and father*
- *Pete & Trish Reitz in memory of Trish Prickette and Sandy Reitz*
- *Gary & Addie Jackson in memory of their daughter, Carey Jean*
- *Jan Westphal & Family in memory of David Westphal*
- *Lori Hardie & Family in memory of Kurt Hardie*
- *Glenn & Jenna Beske in memory of David Beske*
- *Mark & Heather Lueck in memory of their grandson, Maverick Russart*
- *Glenn & Jenna Beske in memory of David & Bonny Zarbock*
- *Deb Deere in memory of her son, Jarid Meddaugh*
- *Don & Vonni Dunn in memory of Bill & Mary Lou Vilski*
- *Bill & Chris Huizenga in memory of Robert F. & Violet Ellis*
- *Lu Lohse in memory of Lawrence & Georgia Lohse & Larry Lohse*
- *Suzanne Kollmann in memory of her parents Robert & Clara Schwertfeger and her sister & brother-in-law Kathy & Dave Henke*
- *Tom & Linda Lueck in memory of Owen & Marie Lueck and Mary (Kerbel) Newell*

- *Terry & Glenda Wickert in memory of Jack & Bernice Parman, Marilyn Wells, & Florence Kluball*
- *Mark & Betty Orvis in memory of Joseph & Lucille Grailer*
- *Dick Putz family in memory of Lloyd & Virginia Putz, Cliff & Joyce Becker, and Floyd Schwecke*
- *Tom & Jean Hanewall in memory of their parents and 2 brothers, Dick & Mark*
- *Scott & Kerri Morenzi in memory of Patricia Thornburg*
- *Scott & Kerri Morenzi in memory of Earl & Janice Morenzi*
- *The Messner & Behnke Family in memory of Angie Behnke*
- *Chad & Jeremy Kollmann in memory of Jessica Kollmann*
- *Giese Family in memory of Curt Giese*
- *Bev Bechler in memory of Butch Bechler*



Organist: Pam Zuberbier

Adult Choir Director: David Koepsell

Soloist: Joy Schwark

“I Know that My Redeemer Liveth” by George Frideric Handel

The special Easter Festival bulletins are given by Steve & Anna Schmoldt, with praise to our risen Savior.