THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD April 09, 2023

8:00 am & 9:30 am



WELCOME VISITORS DISCOVER GOD'S ABUNDANT GRACE AND LOVE

We extend a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. We give thanks that you are here with us. Please sign our guest book and come back and worship with us again.

LUTHERAN BOOK OF WORSHIP SETTING ONE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering

Prelude (a time for silent meditation)

Announcements

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Confessions and Forgiveness

(Please stand as you are able. All may make the sign of the cross, (†) the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins:)

In the name of the Father, and of the \dagger Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

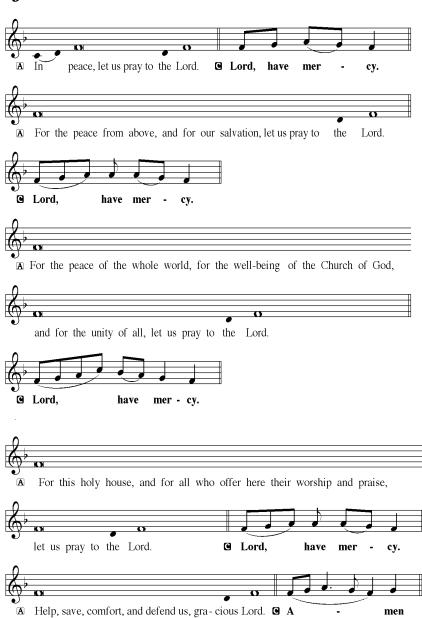


Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708

Greeting

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

Kyrie



Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43 (Read by Worship Leader)

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "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.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now declare,

"God's mercy endures forever."

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,

and has become my salvation.

¹⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,

but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD;

here the righteous may enter."

²¹I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

²³By the LORD has this been done;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

(Please stand as you are able.)



P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28th chapter.



¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁶Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁶So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁶Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹oThen Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

P: The Gospel of the Lord



Sermon

Hymn of the Day

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! greets thee, scat-ters fear and gloom; out thee; aid us in our strife;

An - gels in bright rai - ment let his church with glad - ness make us more than con-qu'rors,



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



where thy bod - y lay. death hath lost its sting! to thy home a - bove.

Thine is the glo-ry, ris-en, con-qu'ring



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

Nicene Creed

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the

virgin Mary and was made man.

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

(Each petition ends with... Risen Lord, in your mercy, the congregation responds: hear our prayer.)

Sharing of the Peace (nods, waves)

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

The Offering (Please leave your offering on our website: <a href="https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco-ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCImH2sG-jdxWYJMFGW-lQfxkD4hBw8WoQ6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad8707zqy-JU_UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKkoPpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y_VCHQ6_VCoE=&ver=3)

Anthem: "Christ Arose" Choir song (9:30 service)

The Offertory



Offertory Prayer

Let us pray... Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

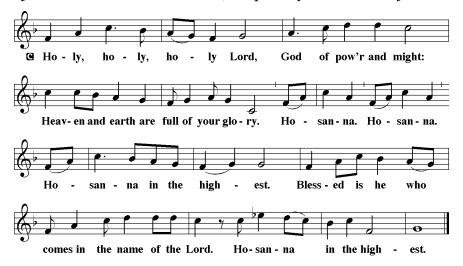
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...stays (*preface continues with words for the season and concludes...*) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betraved. our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places. with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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,

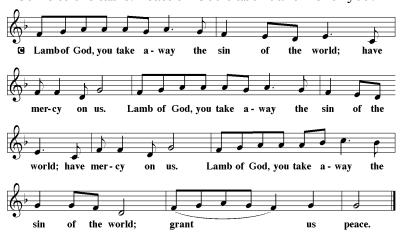
and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever.

Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.



Distribution

The body of Christ, given to you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Post-Communion Blessing (Please stand as you are able.)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle



Prayer after Communion

Let us pray... We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

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 upon you with favor and + give you peace.

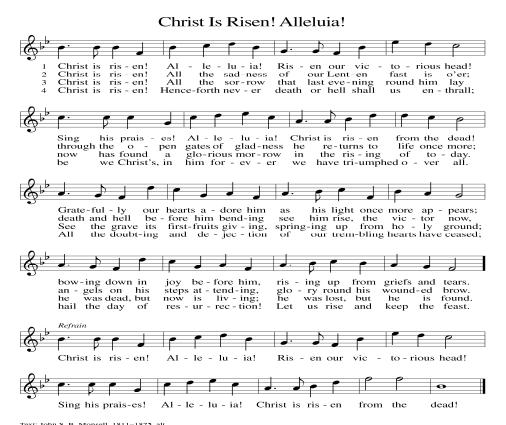
Amen.

Blessing

The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

Amen.

Sending Hymn: "Christ is Risen! Alleluia!" LBW 131



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt. Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

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OUR MISSION - FAITHFUL IN THE WORD

- + To *gather* as God's people and nurture one another
- + To know the Word of God
- + To *grow* in faith, love, and service
- + To go into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ



SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor The Rev. Matthew E. Ollikainen Music Director Michael Dettra Trumpet Adam Hershberger Trumpet John Swana Worship Assistant 8:00 a.m. Rose Herbert Worship Assistant 9:30 a.m. John Flint

PASTOR MATT ON VACATION MONDAY, APRIL 10 RETURNING TUESDAY APRIL 18

Pastor Matt will be out of the office for vacation from Monday, April 10 returning Tuesday, April 18. Pastor Nathan Krause from Redeemer Lutheran Church, Jamison will be providing emergency pastoral coverage for Pastor Matt. His contact number is 267-884-1195.

CHANGES TO APRIL OFFICE HOURS

The normal office schedule of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will change starting April 10 as follows: Monday, April 10, Tuesday and Wednesday 9 to 2. Fran will be out of the office until Monday April 24, Tuesday April 25 and Friday April 28. May's adjusted schedule will be posted in May Newsletter.



NUEVA CREACIÓN MISSION SUPPORT

Support of Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in Philadelphia for this week is presented by the Hoffmann Family.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATES EASTER

In Sunday School on April 16, we will connect our recent Lenten lessons with the joyful account of Jesus' resurrection and we'll celebrate with special Easter treats!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE SUNDAY, APRIL 2

8:00 am 24 9:30 am 40 **TOTAL 64**

Financial Report For N	larch 2023	
	Rec'vd forMarch 2023	Budget for March 2023
General Fund	\$8,490.95	\$17,281.00
Mortgage	\$2,098	\$1,898.00
Bene Synod Only	\$23	\$134
Other Benevolence	\$598	
Total	\$11,209.95	\$19,313.00
	Recv'd YTD 1/1-3/31/23	Budget YTD 1/1-3/31/23
General Fund	\$29,844.91	\$51,843.00
Mortgage	\$6,870.00	\$5,694.00
Bene Synod Only	\$177.00	\$402.00
Other Benevolence	\$1,700.00	
Total	\$38,591.91	\$57,939.00



CHOIR AND PRAISE BAND PRACTICES

Practices of the Choir and Praise Band are on **Wednesday evenings.** There will be practice on **April 5, 12 and 19.** Praise Band practice is at 6:30 and Vocal Choir practice is at 7:15. All are welcome and encouraged to join; no prior experience is necessary. Please see Mike Dettra, Music Director, or Pastor Matt for more details.



THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY RESUMING APRIL 29

Bible Study will resume at 7:00 pm on Thursdays beginning April 29. We will continue to study The Sermon on the Mount. We will continue to meet by Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89632518358?pwd=Smg5dm1Ba0VZamZjNG1YMk02MIVv dz09



SOCIAL MINISTRY

During the month of March our church donated 100 lbs. of food to the Warminster Food Bank. As you know, the price of food has skyrocketed! The need has increased as well. If we could increase our giving, it would be greatly appreciated. If each family would contribute 2 or 3 items each month it would make a difference. Thanks for your continued support. Nancy Sclight/Social Ministry



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 24 – 28

The dates have been set for Vacation Bible School at Advent this summer.

The week of July 24 – 28, Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m.–noon will feature **OPERATION RESTORATION** for students age 4 through completion of grade 6. Learning with friends

makes Bible School fun! As they make connections between Bible stories and actions, they'll discover simple ways to live out faith in daily life, such as feed, heal, forgive, pray and rest. Students will employ art, music, science and storytelling in this creative program, along with outdoor play and a snack each day. Registration forms are available.



Stitch club meets on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Stitch club is open to all who would like to join. If you like to knit, crochet, or do needlepoint, this is for you!

If you would need anything throughout the year from the Stitch Club for babies or the elderly i.e. blankets, scarves, etc, please contact Hanna McCollum at 215-962-9032 or Jeff

Jobes at 215-355-4149.



ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

There are numerous dates available for 2023 to dedicate flowers to beautify the altar each Sunday. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex with your name and dedication. Two bouquets are available each week. The cost is \$25 per bouquet. In addition to making the altar more beautiful, you may take the flowers home after the late service to enjoy during the week. If you have any questions call Cindy Frey 267-205-0713.



NUEVA CREACIÓN MISSION SUPPORT

Please consider supporting our sister congregation, Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, which does vital ministry in North Philadelphia. A sign-up sheet is found on the table in the narthex near the entrance to the sanctuary. The cost to support the Mission week

is \$25.00. There are openings available through the end of the year.



FELLOWSHIP TIME

We need committees or individuals to sign up to provide refreshments after the 9:30 a.m. service. The sign-up sheet through August is on the fellowship table. Advent supplies hot beverages (i.e. coffee & tea) and all paper products.



FILL A TRAY AT MEALTIME

Look for aluminum trays on the tables in our narthex. Take some home to await any meal that has one serving left – or perhaps you've made extra food on purpose. Fill the 3 sections, add the foil cover, plus the label and bag that come with the tray. Voila! A meal for a shut-in

or a person in need.



DRIVE in AND DROP off FOOD COLLECTION

If you have food for the Warminster Food Pantry that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off the food under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the pantry's most needed items is in the narthex or on the website

www.warminsterfoodbank.org. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.



WE'RE KEEPING TABS

Recycling can tabs for charity is a great idea! If you bring **them in**, we'll drop them off.

Look for marked containers in the narthex ,located on the shelf above the coat rack. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD EASTER SUNDAY-APRIL 9



8:00 a.m. Festive Service of Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Festive Service of Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Church Council

MONDAY, APRIL 10

7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

6:30 p.m. Praise Band Practice 7:15 p.m. Vocal Choir Practice

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

10:00 a.m. Stitch Club Meets

APRIL 16 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER SERVICE OF THE WORD

Worship Leader: Gail Oines

8:00 a.m. Service of the Word 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Service of the Word 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

