# THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD MARCH 31, 2024

8:00 am & 9:30 am



# 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

In the name of the Father, and of the † 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.

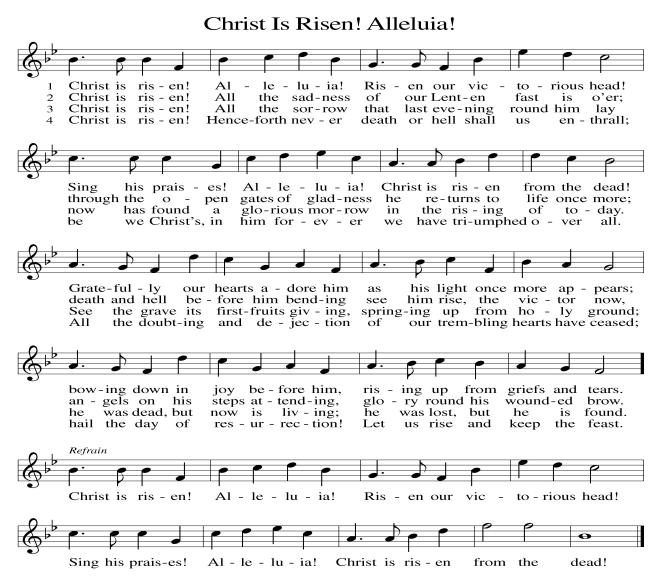
#### Most merciful God,

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: "Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!"



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

# 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)

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how 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. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not 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. <sup>42</sup>He 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. <sup>43</sup>All 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

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel now declare,

"God's mercy endures forever."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

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

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>By the LORD has this been done;

#### it is marvelous in our eyes.

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

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Word of God, Word of Life Thanks be to God.

# Gospel Acclamation

(Please stand as you are able.)



# P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 16th chapter.



¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁶But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁶So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

#### P: The Gospel of the Lord

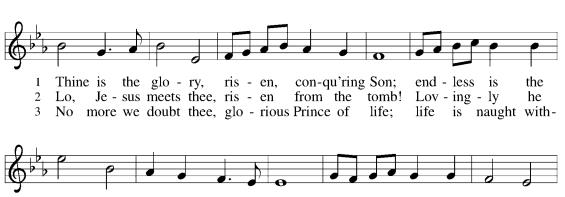


(Please be seated.)

#### Sermon

Hymn of the Day: Thine is the Glory"

# Thine Is the Glory



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,





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.



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... God of Grace, 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: https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgibin/Vanco ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCImH2sGjdxWYJMFGW IQfxkD4hBw8W0Q6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad87o7zqy-JU UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKk0PpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y VCHQ 6 VCoE=&ver=3)

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

#### The Offertory



# Offering Prayer

Let us pray. . . Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving

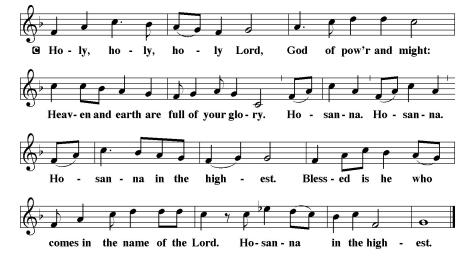
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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 betrayed, 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.** 

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

#### Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

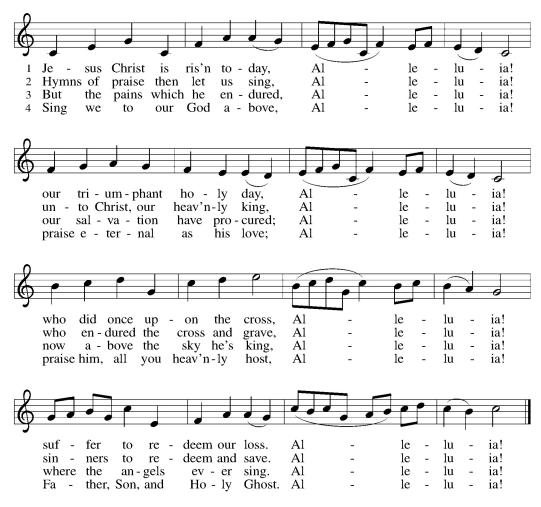
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\pm$  give you peace.

Amen.

# Sending Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" LBW 151

# 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

#### Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

#### Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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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
Music Director
Trumpet
Trumpet
Worship Assistant
The Rev. Matthew E. Ollikainen
Michael Dettra
Adam Hershberger
John Swana
Rose Herbert
Jennifer McQuiggan



#### ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are dedicated by George & Peg Spahn in honor of their grandson Sam's birthday, and to the Glory of God.



#### **NUEVA CREACIÓN MISSION SUPPORT**

Support of Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in Philadelphia for this week is given by Lynn Roccograndi in memory of his father's birthday.

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE SUNDAY, MARCH 24

8:00 am 23 9:30 am 27 Sunday School 5 **TOTAL 55** 

#### **CONTACTING PASTOR MATT**

If you need to speak with Pastor Matt when he is not in the office, particularly in the case of a pastoral emergency, please feel free to call his cell phone at 215-859-3778 or email him at pastor@adventrichboro.org.

If he is not available to take your call, leave a message and he will contact you.

#### PASTOR MATT ON VACATION APRIL 2 TO APRIL 9

Pastor Matt will be out of the office for vacation starting on **Tuesday**, **April 2**, and returning on **Tuesday**, **April 9**. Emergency pastoral contact is Pastor Miles Hopgood. His cell phone number is 859-229-6168.



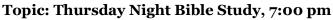
#### MEN'S BREAKFAST SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 8:30 AM

We have not made a decision on the menu for April 13. It is different, as Tax Day is upon us. I will have to think of something soothing. Coffee ready at 7:30, breakfast at 8:30

Dave

# THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY RESUMING APRIL 11

Bible Study will resume at 7:00 pm on Thursdays beginning April 11. We will continue to study "The Book of Acts". We will also continue to meet by Zoom:



Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 830 9865 6920

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Come to Advent Lutheran Church for a delicious Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner. Pastor Matt and his daughter Eva will be preparing his family's homemade sauce recipe.

The Strategic Mission Team will introduce a God Sightings project to the congregation. The event will take place on the evening of Saturday, April 20, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



#### **ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION**

There are numerous dates available for 2024 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 at 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 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 MARCH 31

8:00 a.m. Festive Service of Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Festive Service of Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: The Urbaniak Family

#### MONDAY, APRIL 1

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

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3**

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

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 5

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

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER-APRIL 7 SERVICE OF THE WORD

Worship Leader: George Henry

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