

Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

This year we hear the resurrection story from the gospel of Mark. We finish our reading at what was probably the original ending of the gospel. Not only is the oldest ending, but it is the ending which most fits with the beginning. The first verse of Mark says, "This is the beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." The ending we read today says, "So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had sized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

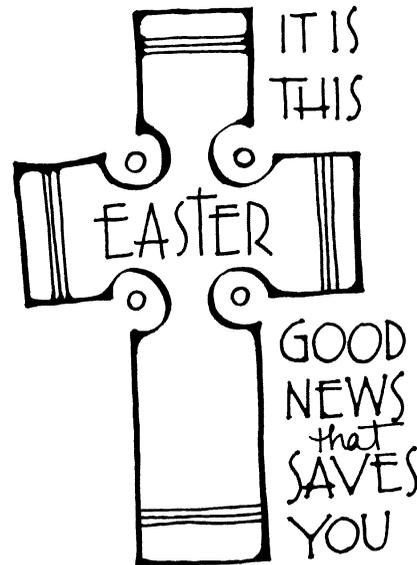
That was the beginning. If we take it as an ending, it doesn't take us very far. If we see it as just the very beginning, then it is a great place for us to start. They ran away and were afraid, but somebody must have told somebody at some point! After all, we know! Thanks be to God!

But, who doesn't know? Who are we scared to tell? Is it because we might sound foolish, or because we don't know what to think of that other person? Do we run away because our lives might change if we truly hear the news of the resurrection in our own lives?

We are the community of the resurrected. Through our baptism we have died with Christ and have been raised with him into new life. Mark wrote the first lines of the story. The rest is being written through us.

May your story be filled with new life, with hope of the final resurrection, and with the love of God which is stronger than death. Amen

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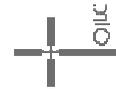
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WORSHIP NOTES

For Guests

Thank you for blessing us with your presence today! It is our prayer that you will encounter God's love in this place! We love to greet our guests and have them sign the guestbook, but we'll never point you out in worship or make you stand up. Please feel free to share as much or as little information as you like. Coffee, doughnuts, and lots of laughter usually happen after worship in the fellowship hall, which is located through the doors next to the coat racks. Please join us for this time also, Check out our web page for more information about who we are, how we live in the power of the trinity, and what we believe. OLLC.org.

Our time together for worship typically lasts at least an hour and fifteen minutes.

Our hearts are just too full of praise to limit ourselves to an hour.

If you have reason to leave a bit before we conclude, we won't judge you.

We are thankful that you joined us for the time that you did, and hope you will return!

About Communion

In the tradition of Jesus eating at the tables of all kinds, with all peoples, we practice Eucharistic hospitality, which means **YOU ARE WELCOME**. In tradition, this is Christ's meal of renewal for those who have been baptized and have received some type of instruction regarding the importance and holiness of being in communion with God. In scripture, Christ invites all to his table. You are welcome at Christ's table, and strongly encouraged to be in conversation with the pastor, and prayer with God, if you have not yet been baptized, or have been baptized but have not received instruction. Communion without baptism is incomplete. Children are welcome when their parents/guardians believe they can understand that this is a special time where they receive God's love. Until this time, children are offered a grape instead.

The simplest way to understand the manner in which we receive communion is to watch the people who go ahead of you. It is easier to see than to read. As the usher guides you, take a glass from the tray, circle up around the altar and kneel or stand as you are able, receive communion, take a moment to pray if you wish, then leave down the side steps behind you and place your cup in the basket at the front row.

If you need grape juice, please indicate this by placing your hand over your glass as the chalice (the fancy cup) approaches.

If the steps are a challenge for you, you may stand at the base of the steps or stay in your place, and the servers are glad to come to you. If you stay in your place, please make sure to catch the attention of the usher.

Prayer Requests and Announcements

Prayer and announcement requests may be made by filling out a green card, found in the pew racks. Please use separate cards for announcements and prayer requests, and limit announcements to events concerning the mission and ministry of the whole congregation and save personal sharing for coffee hour; write legibly. *Please fill out these cards at the beginning of worship. The ushers will pick them up during the hymn of the day.*

Notes and News

FRIENDS AND VISITORS: Join us in the Parish Hall following worship for coffee, donuts, and fellowship.

MEN'S CLUB will meet Thursday, April 9 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Thank you! To everybody who worked so hard in making this a truly wonderful and profoundly meaningful Holy Week and Easter, especially our Mike, Bill, and Maureen! Thank you also to the choir, alter guild, council and worship committee!

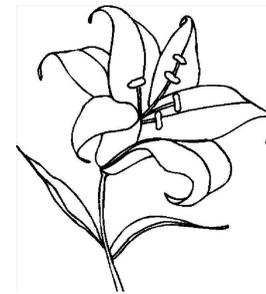
ACTIVITY SHEETS, crayons, and pencils are available for children elementary age and younger from an usher.

PASSING THE PEACE with a gentle handshake would be appreciated by those with arthritis.

LWR HEALTH KIT items may be placed in the green box in the narthex. A full list of items needed is provided at the Information Center. *This month we are collecting light-weight, bath-size towels (between 20"x40" and 27"x52"), dark in color.*

INFORMATION CENTER, located just outside the sanctuary: *Christ In Our Home devotions; The Parish Life* newsletter; event information; other items of interest.

FLOWER CHART has several open spaces for April. Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers for any of the open Sundays.



*Flowers were given to the glory
of our Risen Lord by...*

Dolores Spang in memory of loved ones
Chris & Mark Henkel in memory our their fathers
The Peterson family in memory of Virginia Williams
Cherylann & Ron Kidd in memory of Evelyn Huleskoetter
and to the glory of God by

Holly VanRemman and Lu Ann Bletsch, Ron and Susan Maxfield,
Waney and Karen Karst, Julie & Jim Collings, Don and Carolyn Zachritz,
Bill and Sue Lockard, Charlie and Judy Spencer, Chuck and Carolee Wendee,
Bill and Maurine Fuller, John Tassej, Bill and Lois Joseph, Bob and Audrey Smith,
Dick and Gloria O'Brien, Jenny Myers, the Gillson and McNally family,
Wayne and Carmen Craney, and Loree McMahan.

THIS WEEK AT OUR LORD'S:

Sunday, April 5 - Easter Sunday

9am Easter Breakfast &
Egg Hunt
10:30am Worship

Monday, April 6

Office Closed

10:30am Alanon
10am-1pm Weight Watchers
5pm-8pm Weight Watchers

Tuesday, April 7

8:15am Tuesday Prayer Group
7pm AA (Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 8

9am-4pm Office Hours
12pm Wednesday Circle

Thursday, April 9

4:30pm S.T.O.P.
6:30PM Men's Group

Friday, April 10

9am-4pm Office Hours

Saturday, April 11

9am Food Bank
9am Quilting

Sunday, April 12 - Easter II

9am Christian Education
10:30am Worship

*Thank you to our musicians for
helping us to worship today!*

Ryan Waldrup, Colter Weatherholtz,
Steve Carlton, Kylin Gabel,
and as always, Bill and Maureen!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN SERVICE

This Week

Assisting Minister: Larry Eberhardt
Cantor: Lois Carlton
Greeter: Amanda Green
Usher: Fred Grosz, Bob Smith
Altar Guild: Deborah Gillson,
Linda Scheidt
Money Counters: Fred & Karlene Grosz
April Flower Pickup: Lois Joseph

Next Week

Assisting Minister: Wayne Craney
Cantor: Jim Collings
Greeter: Jacob Edingfield
Usher: Dolores Spang, Diane Milligan
Altar Guild: Deborah Gillson,
Linda Scheidt
Money Counters: Tom Ziebell,
Debbie Gudgel
April Flower Pickup: Lois Joseph

Finances

Last Sunday's Receipts:
\$2849

Weekly Needs:
\$3728

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Let us rise as we are able and face the baptismal font, a place where we are joined into the One who is forgiveness, and we join into the body of Christ.

Today as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, our Lord, we also celebrate and reaffirm our baptisms as a sign of God's continual work in our lives. If you have not been baptized, please join with us in the celebration of God's work and join in as your faith allows. If the Holy Spirit is moving you towards baptism, please speak with the pastor!

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As we begin, all make the sign of the cross, the sign with which we are sealed at baptism.

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is poured into the font as the thanksgiving is said.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters

**and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

**At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed
with the Holy Spirit.**

**By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.**

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit,

and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise

through Jesus Christ our Lord

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

#365

Jesus Christ is Ris'n Today

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.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

to refrain



2 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

to refrain

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Let us rise as we are able.

BLESSING

The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing:
Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

May the glory of Christ shine through you.

May the new life of Christ live in you.

And, may the hope of the resurrection guide you.

Amen

SENDING HYMN

#376

Thine Is the Glory

DISMISSAL

The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission:
Go in peace. Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!



COMMUNION HYMNS

- #391 *This Joyful Eastertide*
#367 *Now the Vault of Heaven Resounds*
#660 *Lift High the Cross*

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Let us remain seated for the blessing and post-communion song.
May the body and blood of our Living Lord, Jesus Christ, bring new life in you!

Amen



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful-



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -



pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

The assisting minister leads the congregation in prayer:

Let us pray,
God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

to refrain

The Prayer of the Day and readings are found on the bulletin insert.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

*After the prayer the assembly responds: **Amen***

Let us be seated.

Word

FIRST READING

ACTS 10:34-43

A reading from Acts.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

The psalm for the day is sung.

SECOND READING

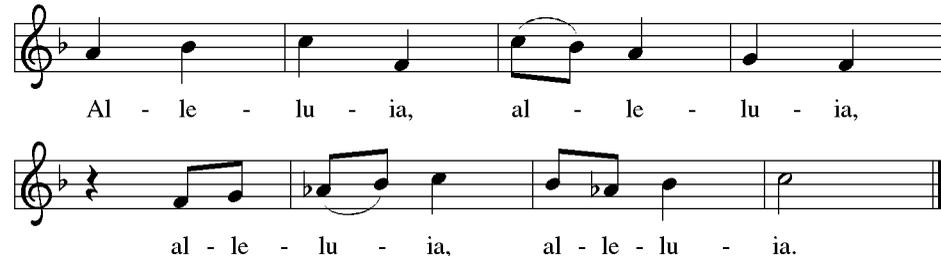
1 CORINTHIANS 15:19-26

A reading from Second Corinthians.

God's Word, coming to us.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL LUKE 24:1-12

The Holy Gospel, according to Luke.

Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading of the Gospel:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Let us be seated.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Let us rise to proclaim the Word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY

#392

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HE IS
RISEN.
HE IS
RISEN
INDEED
ALLELUIA

Let us join in the prayer our Lord 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**

COMMUNION

The presiding minister invites the people to renew their connection to the body of Christ at the table our Lord sets for us.

Jesus was raised that we have life.

Come be made new at Christ's table.

Let us be seated for all is prepared.

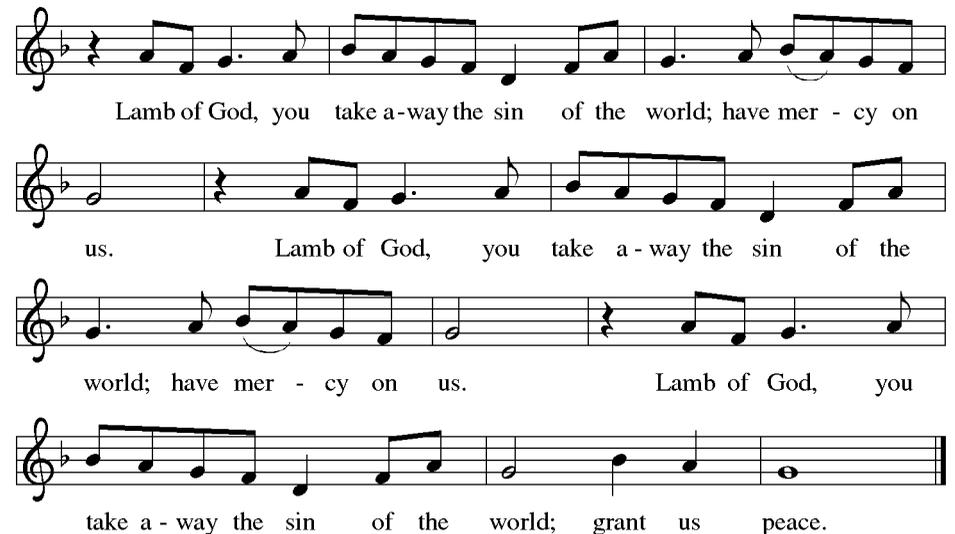
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person responds: **Amen***

LAMB OF GOD



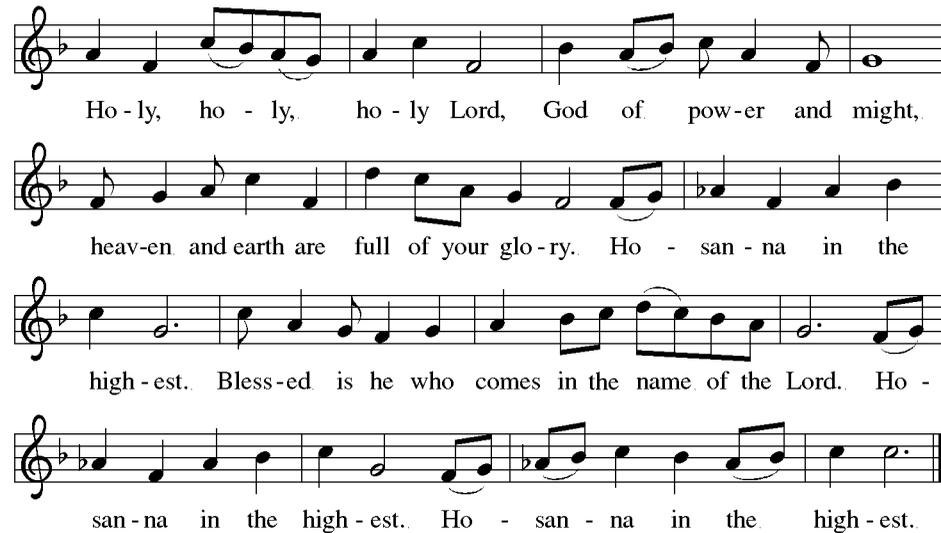
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . .

Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:

. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Christ is risen! Holy God, Mighty Lord, Gracious Father, ...

...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore O God, with this bread and cup...

... we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit...

... and receive our inheritance with your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and place...

... now and forever.

Amen

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who 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

An assisting minister invites the assembly into prayer:
With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*Prayers reflect the wideness of God's mercy for the whole world -
for the church universal, its ministry, and the mission of the gospel;
for the well-being of creation;
for peace and justice in the world, the nations, and those in authority,
the community;
for the poor, oppressed, sick, bereaved, lonely;
for all who suffer in body, mind, spirit;
for the congregation, and for special concerns.*

*Prayers of thanksgiving for the faithful departed may include those who recently
have died and those commemorated on the church's calendar.*

Each portion of the prayer ends:
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers with these words:
Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen

PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of
the risen Christ:*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We share a sign of God's peace with one another using the words:
"Peace be with you."

The assembly is seated.



Meal

OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in
need. During this time, the table is set and the choir offers a gift of music.
After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and
other gifts are brought forward as the assembly offers their hearts in song.*

OFFERTORY SONG

#858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads the assembly in 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 respond to those in need; through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord.

Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.