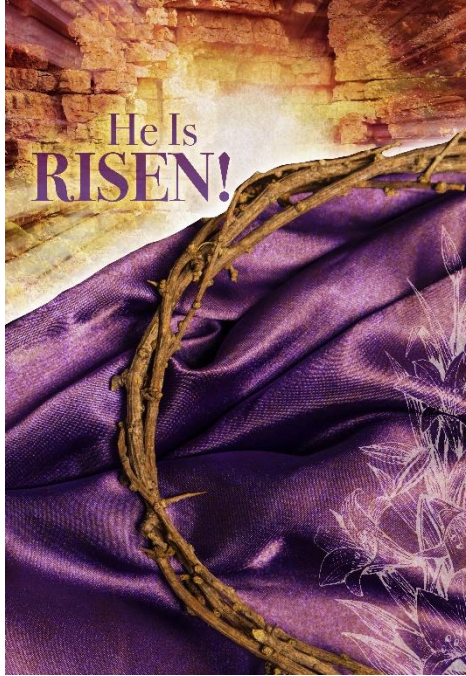


# REDEMPTION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

## Easter Sunday



**WELCOME** To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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**Pre-Service Meditation:**

**1 Corinthians 15:3,4** <sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

**Prayer:** Oh Dearest Savior, You replaced the sorrow and agony of Good Friday with the joy and peace that comes through Your Resurrection. Let these truths of Scripture be the foundation of our faith from this time forth and even forevermore. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.

# Service of the Word

Opening Hymn

**TLH 205 The Day of Resurrection**

Invocation

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Responsive Reading (From 1 Corinthians 15 and Job 19)**

**P:** If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen.

**C:** I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on  
the earth;

**P:** And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your  
sins!

**C:** And after my skin is destroyed, this I know,

**P:** Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

**C:** In my flesh I shall see God,

**P:** If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the  
most pitiable.

**C:** Whom I shall see for myself,

**P:** But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the  
firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

**C:** And my eyes shall behold God, and not another.

**P:** For since by man came death,

**C:** By Man also came the resurrection of the dead.

**P:** For as in Adam all die,

**C:** Even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

**P:** But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits,

**C:** Afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.

**P:** Hallelujah! Christ has risen, as He said!

**C:** He has risen from the dead. Hallelujah!

**P:** Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Christ has destroyed death.

**C:** And has brought life and immortality to light through the  
Gospel. Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

**Scripture Reading:** Matthew 28:1-10

**Hymn:** 191:1-4 **Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia!**

**Scripture Reading:** Isaiah 25:6-9

**Hymn:** WS 728 **Christ is Living**

**Scripture Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:35ff.

**Hymn:** 198:1-4 **He's Risen, He's Risen!**

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 24:13-35

**Hymn:** 200:1-3,5, 7-8 **I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

**Sermon**

**1 Corinthians 15:1-11 EHV**

Brothers, I am going to call your attention to the gospel that I preached to you. You received it, and you took your stand on it. <sup>2</sup>You are also being saved by that gospel that was expressed in the words I preached to you, if you keep your hold on it—unless you believed in vain. <sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, 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>After that he appeared to over five hundred brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, but some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, he appeared also to me, the stillborn child, so to speak. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, and I am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted God's church. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not ineffective. On the contrary, I worked more than all of them (and yet it wasn't my doing, but it was the grace of God, which was with me, that did it). <sup>11</sup>So whether it is I or they, that is what we preach, and that is what you believed.

**Christ's Resurrection is Foundational**

## **Offertory: WS 732 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

Now all the vault of heaven resounds In praise of love that still abounds, “Christ has triumphed, He is living!” Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear, Repeat their song of glory here, “Christ has triumphed, Christ has triumphed!” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings, “Christ has triumphed, He is living!” Now still He comes to give us life, And by His presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Choir**

**Jesus Paid it All**

### **Offering of Thankful Hearts**

#### **Prayers**

P: Crucified and risen Savior, the world offers us false hope and peace that is easily lost. In You alone we have a living hope and peace that can never be taken from us. In You alone we have victory over death and the hope and promise of resurrection. Risen Lord,

**C: In You we have life and light and victory!**

P: Crucified and risen Savior, empower us as Easter people, as Your servants to carry the good news of salvation to people who are without hope. Help us to bring Your comfort and care to those who are filled with despair and fear. Risen Lord,

**C: In You we have life and light and victory!**

P: Crucified and risen Savior, just as You rose bodily from the dead, on the Last Day, at Your command, we too will rise, transformed and glorified, to live in Your presence forever. With all the saints we will praise You, the Lamb who was slain for us, the King of kings and Lord of lords. Risen Lord,

**C: In You we have life and light and victory!**

P: Amen.

#### **Lord’s Prayer:**

## **Benediction:**

P: Christ is risen!

**C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Now may the God of peace Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Hymn**

**TLH 199 Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**Silent Prayer**

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## **Announcements**

### **Upcoming Events:**

- **Voters Meeting:** Our Quarterly meeting will be held Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. All voters please attend if you are able. We will be discussing what to do with the school for next year. This also involves a time change for our services.
- **Service Change:** Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, Redemption's service will be held at 11:30 am with Voters meeting to follow. The 28<sup>th</sup>, it will go back to our usual 9 am slot.
- **Thank You:** A huge thank you to everyone who prepared meal items for our midweek Lenten services.
- **Items for Taking/Donation:** There are a few items on the table in between the two pews in the Narthex. If anyone would like to take that home with them, feel free. Otherwise, it will be donated. There is also a number of coffee pots in the basement that are also free for the taking.

## **Call News:**

- Teacher Josh Ohlmann of Holy Trinity in West Columbia, SC ***has accepted the call*** to Gethsemane in Saginaw, MI
- Pastor Nathaniel Mayhew of Grace Ev. Lutheran in Sleepy Eye, MN ***is considering the call*** from Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN.

## **Upcoming Schedule:**

Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> Communion Sunday Service at 9

Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 11:30 am

Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9