

The Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024

*Please stand when there's an **

"Glory Hallelujah" Sr. Choir

Greeting

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen, indeed!

Welcome and Announcements

*Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

*Confession of Sin

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness. Most merciful God,

C: 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.

*Absolution

C: Amen

*Hymn **LBW** # 145 "Thine is the Glory"

*Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

P: God of all mercy and grace, Your only Son's death and glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of death and redeemed all creation. Grant that we may no longer look for the living among the dead and instead daily die to sin and rise to newness of life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16 (*antiphon: v.10*)

R: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

C: or let your holy one see corruption.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

*Verse p. 62

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*The Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated.

"The Stone is Rolled Away" Sr. Choir

The children may come forward for a children's message.

Message

Please stand.

*Hymn of the Day **LBW** # 151 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

*Confession of Faith

P: Let us now confess the one true faith of the whole Church, using the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: 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 of 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 Christian 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 the Church

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs...

Lord in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

*Peace

P: Peace be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: You may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Greet others: 'Christ's peace be with you...'

*Offertory **LBW** p.66

C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, all that is in the heavens and on the earth are Yours. We ask that You use these gifts, which we have received from Your hands, to meet our neighbors' needs, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

C: Amen.

*Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

C: 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 and 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.

Please be seated.

P: Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

C: Christ, have mercy on us!

The Distribution of the Sacrament

Hymn **LBW** # 352 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Please stand.

*Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen and keep you in true faith unto eternal life.

*Response **WOV** # 624

C: Now Lord, You let Your servant go in peace, Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of all people; a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen (Luke 2:29-32)

P: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, for feeding us with the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Through this healing gift of life, strengthen us in faith; through this same Christ, Your Son, our Lord, we pray.

C: Amen.

*Hymn **LBW** # 131 "Christ is Risen! Alleluia!"

*Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you

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

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

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF

Sunday, March 31
 7 AM – EASTER SUNRISE CELEBRATION
 with Holy Communion
 8 – 9:30 AM – Breakfast
 10 AM – RESURRECTION CELEBRATION
 continues with Holy Communion

Monday, April 1
 7 PM Bible Study @ Carita's

Tuesday, April 2
 1:30 PM – Prayer
 7 PM Bible Study @ church

Wednesday, April 3
 5-7 PM – Kid's Quest
 6:30 – Confirmation Class

Friday, April 5
 6 AM – Community Men's Bible Study

Sunday, April 7
 8:30 AM – Contemporary Worship
 9:15 AM – Sunshine Singers
 10:45 AM – Traditional Worship with Communion

Keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. Ephesians 6:18

We pray for: United States, the state of Illinois, persecuted Christians in Saudi Arabia; Young people attending Kids' Quest; Merv & Bonnie Ransom; Terry Brandenburg family; Ruth Abresh; Linda Oder; Alfred & Carolyn Hanson; Liz Price; Al Willits; Joe & Jackie Fjell; Mike Patience; Florists & Gardeners

The families we pray for this week: Lora Bryan, Nancy Bryan, Deb Brouillette, Jocey Boruch, Lillian Crane

For whom is the Holy Spirit calling you to pray this week?

April Mission is RTUR/India & West Africa

APRIL Newsletters are in the narthex. Please pick yours up and deliver any you can to our St. Paul family. New Portal of Prayer and New Connection magazines are in the narthex, also.

There are a few items needed for Orphan Grain Train kits. Please see the tote in the narthex and donate what you can.

VBS 2024 is being planned for June 3-7. If you can help in any way, please talk to Miranda.

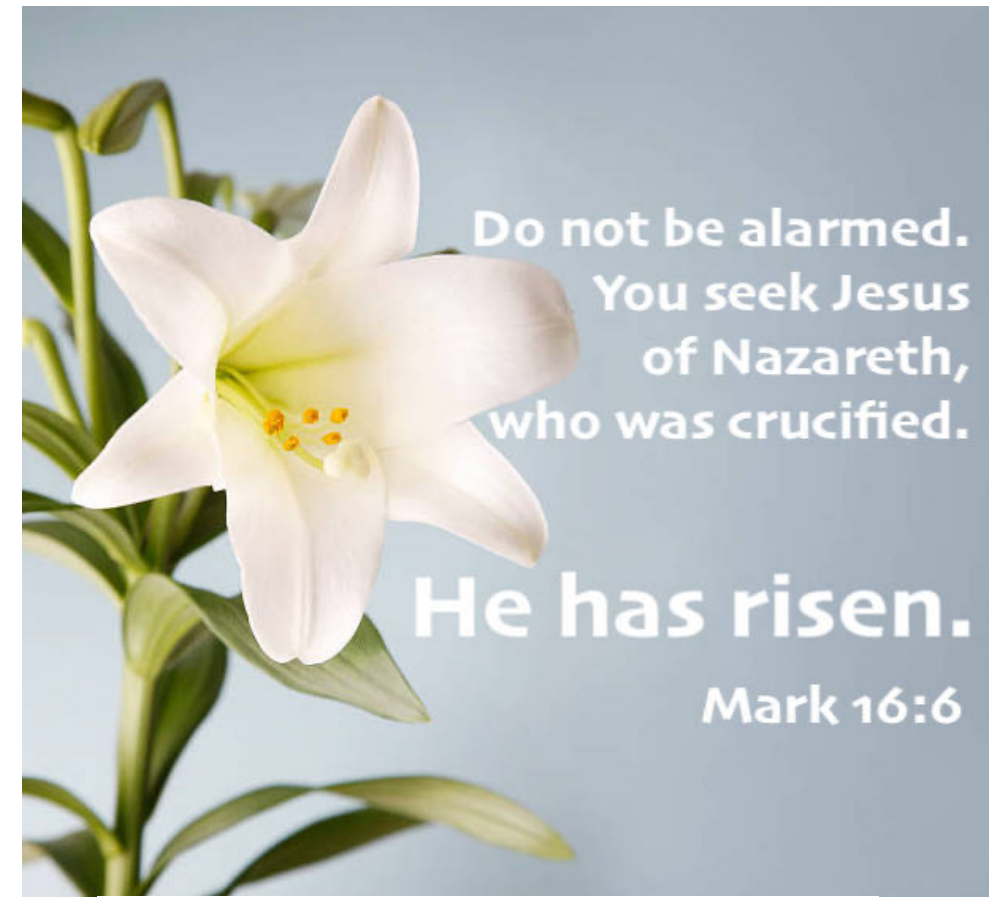
Kid's Quest is currently happening at St. Paul! Please talk to Steph if you can help with this. What a GREAT WAY to announce the Gospel!!

Sermon Notes

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Welcome to St. Paul...

We must not only consider how the resurrection happened, but that you recognize that it happens *for you*, as the Lord says in the words "Go and tell my brothers!" There we hear what He intends with His resurrection.

This is the true teaching of the resurrection: that each person receives the resurrection as his or her own. For there is a great difference between 'Christ is *a* Savior and king,' and 'Christ is *my* Savior and *my* king.'

-Martin Luther, Sermon for Easter Sunday Morning, 1529

As a body of believers in Jesus Christ, our commitment is to be

+ Word Focused	+ Christ Centered
+ Spirit Driven	+ People Oriented