



Salem Lutheran Church

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Welcome to the House of the Lord
Easter: The Resurrection of Our Lord
March 27, 2016 - 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. Luke 24:1



INTRODUCTION

“This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.” God has indeed raised from the dead the one who was put to death “by hanging him on a tree.” Alleluia! God allows Jesus to appear “to us who were chosen by God as witnesses” in holy baptism and invites us to eat and drink at the table of the risen Christ. Alleluia!

GATHERING

All stand and face the rear of the church.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, you are like a refiner’s fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people. Bless this flame and those who keep this Easter celebration so that, burning with desire for life with you, they may be found fit to take part in that festival of Light which has no ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: Jesus Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the ending, Alpha and Omega; all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

C: Amen

P: By his holy and glorious wounds, may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

C: Amen

The Paschal Candle is lighted.

P: May the light of Christ who rises this day in glory scatter the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Let us pray. Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Once we were in darkness, but since we have become the Lord’s people, we are in the light. Help us to live as people who belong to the light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

The Paschal Candle is raised

Repeated 3 times

P: He is risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

***Pealing of Easter Bells**

Special Music

Easter Song

Creature Praise Choir

9 a.m.

***Entrance Hymn**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

ELW #365



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

***Greeting**

P: He is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

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

C: And also with you.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

***Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God,

C: 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.

WORD

Special Music

Mary at the Tomb

Adult Choir

9 a.m.

Gospel Luke 24:1-12

Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of his women followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Sermon



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son,
 Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Refrain Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your son
 And sending your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names,
 Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

Refrain Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your son
 And sending your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory, I will see his face;
 There I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

Refrain Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your son
 And sending your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Apostle's Creed

7 a.m.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



Announcements

Prayers of the Church

On this most holy day, let us pray to God for the church, the earth, and all in need, that the whole world may know the resurrection that God promises to give.

A brief silence.

Response: **Your mercy is great.**

O God, we praise your life. We bless your mercy. We honor your power. Transform all that is dying with the joy of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

MEAL

Offering

Special Music

Creature Praise Choir

9 a.m.

Jesus Loves Me, Oh How He Loves You and Me

Offertory

***Offertory Prayer**

P: 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.**

***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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Musical notation for the first line of the hymn: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn: heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Musical notation for the third line of the hymn: Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

Musical notation for the fourth line of the hymn: in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

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.

Lord's Prayer

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

The table of life is spread before you.
Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

Distribution

Blessing after communion

Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Benediction

The blessing of the Lord God Almighty,
the blessing of ✠ Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Closing Hymn

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! (Verses 1 & 4)

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7 a.m.



1 Christ is ris-en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re- turns to life once more;
now has found a glo - rious mor - row in the ris - ing of to - day.
We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri - umphed o - ver all.



Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
death and hell be - fore him bend - ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,
See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;
All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
an - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.
Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

On Sunday April 3 at 10:00 a.m. Jill Budach and Rhonda Harmon will provide training on the use of the AED (Automated External Defibrillator) that is located in the rear of the sanctuary.

- **What is an AED?**

It is a medical device that analyzes the heart's rhythm.

If necessary, it delivers an electrical shock, known as defibrillation, which helps the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.

Training is available to all and will be held in the narthex following the 9:00 a.m. service.

A benefit will be held Sunday, April 3, from 11:00 – 2:00 p.m. for James Richter at the LMCS Foyer
Proceeds will James with ongoing medical expenses in Rochester.

Lunch, Silent auction, Bake Sale
Thrivent Funds will be available.

If you would like to donate baked good or silent auction items, you may contact Robin Grunhovd
(641.592.4876) if you have any questions. Items may be brought the morning of the benefit.

Those worshipping March 16th & 20: 276

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Please remember in prayer this week

Our newest brother of the body of Christ, Calvin Clarence Nelson and his family

The family and friends of Ernie Langerud and Glennes Nelson

Darlene Madson

Prayer Families:

Brian/Karen Sterrenberg Family, Candy Sterrenberg Family, Jon Sterrenberg, Melissa (Sterrenberg) Holland, Misty (Sterrenberg) Damm, Marilyn Storby, Michael Storby, Theresa Storby, Andrew Story, Steven/Vera Story Family



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This Week at Salem

SUNDAY, MARCH 27

7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service – Sanctuary

7:30 – 9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast – Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. Easter Communion Service - Sanctuary

MONDAY, MARCH 28

OFFICES CLOSED

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open

3:10 p.m. Girl Scouts – Room #4

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

2:00 p.m. Literary Club – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

1:45 p.m. Mills Harbour Communion

2:30 p.m. Lake Mills Care Center Communion

6:00 p.m. Casual Worship - Chapel

7:00 p.m. St. Pat's Youth Group - Room #9

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

9:00 a.m. Communion Worship - Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Sunday School; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

6, 7, 8th Grade Tobacco Awareness Presentation

10:00 a.m. Automated External Defibrillator Training - Narthex

10:40 a.m. Youth Choir - Chapel

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