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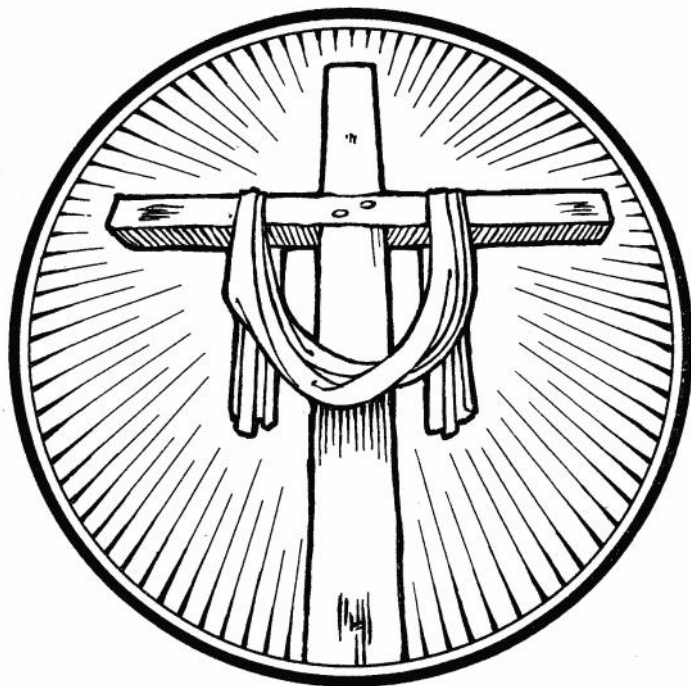
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The Resurrection of Our Lord



*Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life
and immortality to light through the gospel.*

2 Timothy 1:10b

✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Welcome to worship as we rejoice in the empty tomb of Easter. We rejoice in the words of St. Paul, "*Death has been swallowed up in victory*" (1 Corinthians 15:57). Death and the grave have been defeated forever by the Easter resurrection of our Lord Jesus. We especially rejoice and give thanks that the resurrection of Christ means that we and all believers will rise to eternal life in Christ. As He lives, we live today and for all eternity in Him. Alleluia! Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

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

And with your spirit.

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us go forth in peace,

In the name of the Lord.

Processional Hymn # 457

The ornaments and the paraments, previously stripped from the altar for the solemn service of Good Friday, are returned to the altar as an expression of our joy on this festival of our Lord's resurrection.

Kyrie

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Lord Jesus Christ, Your servant Joshua led the children of Israel through the waters of the Jordan River into a land flowing with milk and honey. As our Joshua, lead us, we pray, through the waters of our Baptism into the promised land of our eternal home, where You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you

stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not 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. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: St. Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Him.

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large.

And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And He said to them, “*Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was*

crucified. He has risen; He is not here. See the place where they laid Him.

But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee. There you will see Him, just as He told you.”

And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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Hymn of the Day # 461

Sermon: Rejoice in the Empty Tomb of Jesus

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**WE GO FROM THIS PLACE OF WORSHIP
WHERE WE ARE ABOUT
EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS**

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament, we also give public witness that we are in complete agreement with the denomination's doctrinal teachings at whose altar we commune. Therefore, we ask that only communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod commune with us. All guests are asked to talk to Rev. Heller before coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament.



In our thoughts and prayers:

† Shirley Follis (mother of Kim Senske),
Hannah Schantz, Delphine Traxel,
Mary Weidner (sister of Carolyn Riegel), &
George Zeiszler (brother of Laura Jorgenson).



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 42 Offerings: \$1,931.00

“Now on the first day of the week ...”

John 20:1

All is made new by the resurrection of Jesus! Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament’s Sabbath (Saturday) to the Lord’s Day of the New Testament (Sunday). For the Lord has made all things new: In rising from the dead as the new Adam, He has begun a new week for a new creation. We are also made new in Him — a new heart, a new life, new desires, a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our risen Lord’s grace. Especially after the sort of year we’ve had since last Easter, it sure is good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh!

Announcements



Easter Lilies: Thank you to all who brought Easter lilies. Please feel free to take your plant home, if you wish. We would also like to take Connie Gegelman for providing the palm branches for Palm Sunday.

Lutheran Youth Fellowship: Our information and organization meeting is re-scheduled for next Sunday, April 7th. Everyone in grades 6 – 12 is invited to join us at 12:00 (noon) for a pizza lunch and meeting. If you have questions, please talk to Anne Rosenow.

Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads: Brochures for summer camps and activities are on the table in the social hall.

We will be having a Card Baby Shower for Ethan Helmer Heller, son of Christian and Laura Heller.



Ethan was born on February 27, 2024. Let's shower Ethan with love from our church family. Nona will collect the cards and send them to the Heller family after April 15th. Christian asks that you please include your return address so they can send a thank you and he looks forward to hearing from you!

Greeters are needed for the month of April. A sign-up sheet is hanging on the bulletin board in the social hall.

The April calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet and April—June "*Portals of Prayer*" booklets are on the table in the social hall.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:00 am 10:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin Divine Service
Tuesday	1:30 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Catechism
Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Worship @ Glen Ullin Sunday School Divine Service *Mites collected Bible Class LYF Meeting

Church Office Hours
Monday – Friday
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
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*Please use a pew card to record your worship and/or
Communion attendance this morning.*

He is risen

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