

Welcome to Saint Michael Lutheran Church & School

“Christ Our Life”

The Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024 + 11:00 am

MORNING SONG

(with Holy Communion)

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(* = please stand)

PRELUDE

* SHARING OF THE EASTER GOOD NEWS (including Psalm 95:1-2)

A: Christ is risen!

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

A: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

C: **Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

A: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;

C: **Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**

* PROCESSIONAL SONG

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (concluding with Psalm 118:15-17)

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Easter people of God, let us come into His holy presence with sincere hearts and confess our sin to Him, and then let us receive His grace with true faith in the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *(We pause for a time of silent reflection and confession).* Almighty God. . .

C: **Our Heavenly Father, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, both by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. For all this we justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. But for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us and is now risen from the dead, 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.**

P: Having heard your sincere confession, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word I announce God's grace to you, and in His place and at His command I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. He who calls you is faithful, and He will surely do it.

C: **Amen.**

A: Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

C: **“The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,**

A: The right hand of the Lord exalts,

C: **The right hand of the Lord does valiantly!”**

A: I shall not die, but I shall live,

C: **And recount the deeds of the Lord.**

A: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

C: **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

* SONG OF PRAISE

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 15:1-11

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

A: Christ has risen from the dead, and God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.

C: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands; He has put all things under His feet.

A: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

C: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*** GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL SONG:** "In Christ Alone" (stanzas 1-2)

*** HOLY GOSPEL:** John 20:1-18

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*** GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL SONG:** "In Christ Alone" (stanzas 3-4)

*** NICENE CREED**

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one LORD Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the LORD and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

BIBLE MESSAGE: "Christ, Our Life = Christ, Our Passover" (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8)

MUSICAL OFFERING

*** PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

(Petitions conclude: "Lord, in Your mercy," to which all respond: "Hear our prayer").

*** WASHING OF HANDS** (Psalm 26:6 - "I wash my hands in innocence, and go about Your altar, O LORD")

During this time, please take note of our communion statement that is displayed on the screens.

*** SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

C: It is good and right for us to do.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, but especially on this day that we celebrate the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. He is the true Passover Lamb who was sacrificed for us and for the sins of all the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has brought us life and immortality. Therefore, with all the eye witnesses of His resurrection from the dead, and with angels, archangels, and all the company of heaven, we rejoice and magnify Your glorious name, forever praising You and singing. . .

* **SONG:** "Be Unto Your Name" (*beginning with "Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"*)

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

C: Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom, and teach us to pray. . .

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, 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.

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes again.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

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

C: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

* THANKSGIVING

A: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,

C: And His love lasts forever!

A: Let us pray. God of Life, for our eternal redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son into death on a cross, and by His glorious resurrection from the dead You have delivered us from the power of death. Grant that we who have tasted of His risen body and blood, and are alive in Christ, might die daily to our sinful nature and evermore live to the glory of His risen life, for we ask it in His victorious name.

C: Amen.

* **BLESSING** (*including Hebrews 13:20-21*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will

C: And may He work in us what is pleasing to Him through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

A: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: Let us go forth in peace,

C: In the name of the Lord.

* RECESSIONAL SONG

POSTLUDE

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SERVING TODAY (3/31)

Preaching (A): Rev. Dr. Paul Naumann

Presiding Minister (P): Rev. Dan Maske

Praise Team Director: Jane Connon

Lay Minister: Mark Kahle, Matt Heintz

Ushers: Jesse Hogue

Greeters: Dar Swift, Meg Bess

Lector: Jesse Hogue

Children's Message: Pastor Naumann

NEXT WEEK (4/7)

Rev. Daniel Maske

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Jane Connon

Rich Conklin, Dave Johnson

Jesse Hogue

Virginia Hetrick, Sue Keltsch

Kathy Taylor

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