



Resurrection of Our Lord
Easter Day
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St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Reception of New Members

*Brenda Bass • Lewis Brendle • Jan Dolan
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Prelude: “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Robert Powell

The Ten Commandments *Please stand.*

The Lord is God, our God, and has brought us out of bondage to sin and death, commanding us to observe our conduct before him and our neighbor.

¹You shall have no other gods before me.

**²You shall not take the name
of the Lord your God in vain;
for the Lord will not hold guiltless
those who take his name in vain.**

**³Remember the Sabbath day
to keep it holy.**

**⁴Honor your father
and your mother,
that your days may be long
in the land which the Lord
your God is giving you.**

⁵You shall not kill.

⁶You shall not commit adultery.

⁷You shall not steal.

**⁸You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.**

**⁹You shall not covet
your neighbor’s house.**

**¹⁰You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
his workers, his livestock,
or anything that is your neighbor’s.**

Confession and Absolution

Greeting and Kyrie Eleison

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

And also with you.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

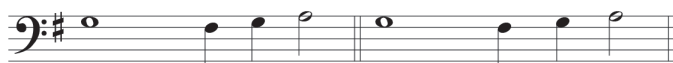


Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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Leader:

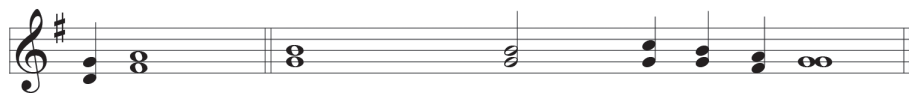


Glory be to God on high!

Congregation:



And on earth peace, good will toward all. We praise you, we bless you,



we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory,



O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world, have mercy
on us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.
For you are holy; you on - ly are the Lord; You only, O Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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Leader: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And with your spirit.

Almighty God, you have overcome death through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, and have opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly beseech you that as you put into our minds good desires, by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please be seated.

A - men.

First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

³⁹And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

Psalm 16

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the LORD, “You are my LORD, my
good above all other.”

²**All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**Their libations of blood I will not offer,
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who hold my lot.

**⁶My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;
indeed, I have a | goodly heritage.**

**⁷I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me, night | after night.**

**⁸I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;
because he is at my right hand I | shall not fall.**

**⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.**

**¹⁰For you will not abandon me | to the grave,
nor let your holy one | see the Pit.**

**¹¹You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand
are pleasures for- | evermore.**

Second Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.

Offering

Anthem: “An Easter Carol”

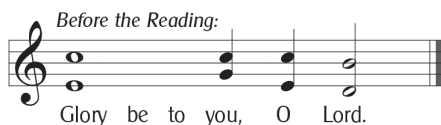
Adult Choir

Gospel Acclamation *Please stand for the Gospel.*

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The Gospel is written in the 28th chapter of Matthew.

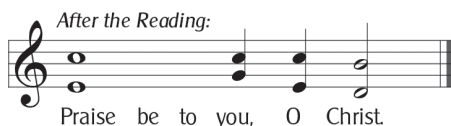


Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.”

⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



The Baptism of Alyssa LeeAnn McCraven

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A hymnal in honor of Alyssa's baptism was placed in the sanctuary this morning.

*Jesus said,
“Let the little children come to me
and do not hinder them,
for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.”*

Matthew 19:14

Sermon: “When the Departed Talk Back”

Hymn: “Now Let the Vault of Heaven Resound”

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Prayers of the Church

Following each prayer:

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

Amen

Exhortation

Preface and Sanctus

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Leader



The Lord be with you.

Congregation



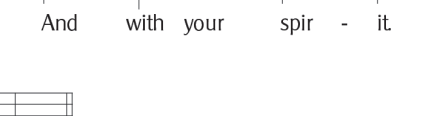
And with your spir - it

Leader



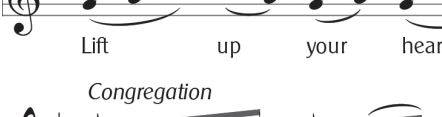
Lift up your hearts.

Congregation



We lift them to the Lord.

Leader



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. For he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again, has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you, and saying:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

¹**hallowed be thy name,**

²**thy kingdom come,**

³**thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

**⁴Give us this day our daily bread;
⁵and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
⁶and lead us not into temptation,
⁷but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you; do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: Take, and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin
of the world, have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,



Receiving First Communion today

*Sutton Debbie Fisher
Rebecca Ann Lombard
Alyssa LeeAnn McCraven*

Distribution of Communion

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Remain seated after the distribution.

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to everlasting life.

Nunc Dimittus

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Lord, now let your servant de- | part in | peace,
ac- | cording to | your | word.
For my eyes have | seen your sal- | vation,
which you have prepared before the | face of | all | people:
A light to | lighten the | Gentiles
and the | glory of your | people | Israel.
Glory | be to the | Father,
and to the | Son, and to the | Holy | Spirit,
As it | was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and ever shall be, | world without | end. | A- | men

Thanksgiving

Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Benedicamus

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Leader: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Anna Laura Page

We remain seated, worshiping silently during the postlude, standing at the end of the postlude to face the processional cross, now at the rear of the sanctuary.

Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Congregation:

A - men.

Happy and blessed Easter Day to everyone.

There will be **no Vespers** at the parsonage this evening.

We hope you enjoy Easter Sunday with your family.

Photos for the pictorial directory will be taken May 2–6.

Volunteers will be in the narthex after worship to schedule a time-slot for you. You will receive a free photo and will have the opportunity to purchase more if you wish. You will also receive a pictorial directory at no charge.

The Friendship Club will meet at 10:30am on Tuesday, April 18th, at China Grove Main Street Ministry to tour their facility and hydroponic garden. After the tour we will have lunch at the China Grove Family Restaurant. We need to give the restaurant a count. If you will be there, **please note by your name in the pew register “friendship 4/18”**, and the number in your party, today or next Sunday.

Monday, April 10

Easter Monday—Church office closed

- Outreach Committee, 7pm

Tuesday, April 11

- Adult Confirmation class, 6pm
- Bonnie Bost Circle, 7pm
- Executive Committee, 7pm
- Girl Scouts, 7pm

Wednesday, April 12

- Classical Conversations homeschool group, 8:30-3:30
- Choir practice, 6:30
- Youth Confirmation, 7:30

Thursday, April 13

- Bible Study, 10am and 6pm

Saturday, April 15

- David and Angela Breidenbach visiting

Sunday, April 16

- Finance Committee 9am
- David and Angela Breidenbach will preach and speak to us about Spiritual Orphans Network.
- Worship/Music Committee 2pm
- All youth music practice, 2pm (this practice is in preparation of Youth Sunday, May 14th.)
- Men's choir 3pm
- Handbell Choir, 4pm
- Vespers at the Parsonage—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm will also be live-streamed to our Facebook page.

David and Angela Breidenbach will be visiting Salisbury on April 15 and 16. On Sunday, April 16th, they will be our guests, preaching and speaking with us about SON (Spiritual Orphans Network.)

Cruise 'n Barbecue 2023 – Saturday, April 29

Cruise 'n Barbecue volunteer assignments are posted on the bulletin boards in the narthex and education building hallway. Should there be a conflict or problem with your location or shift, please see Tim Deal.

All volunteers are invited to attend our pre-event celebration on Thursday evening, April 27th at 7:00 pm. Refreshments will be served, T-shirts distributed, and plans for Saturday will be reviewed.

Rally for Raffles! The raffles are off to a great start for our Cruise 'n Barbecue on April 29th. We have 15 confirmed baskets and know others are thinking about one. A few of our “oldie goldies” are back. We have the Cheerwine bench, a tall patio heater, \$100 gift card to Wal-Mart, \$100 gift card to Food Lion, a Scentsy basket, a turned wood bowl, and a basket full of restaurant gift cards! New this year is a 22-inch Blackstone table top griddle, a wooden park bench, a 70 qt. Igloo cooler, a UNC basket, a 4th of July basket, an ice cream freezer basket, a handmade quilt, and a family fun gift card basket. We are on our way to our goal of 25 – 26 baskets but are not there yet. **Baskets need to be at the church by Thursday, April 27th.**

Check with Susan Bernhardt or Terri Powlas if you want to do a basket or donate some items for one. Your interest in this project is the best!

Terri: tbpowlas@gmail.com, 704-637-6849

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Recent prayer needs:

- Glen Amos – Recovering from surgery
- Linda Beaver – In-home care
- Wilbur Canup – Recovering from surgery
- Helen Gordon – Recovering from surgery
- Linda Lyerly – Recovering from surgery
- Nancy Menius – Recovering from surgery
- Franda Raymer – Recovering from surgery
- George Reese – Health concerns; upcoming surgery
- Linda Shirley – Health concerns
- Barbara Upright – Recovering from surgery

Please see the monthly Epistle for a complete list of prayer needs for members, homebound, family, and friends.

Stewardship

General Fund Offering (4/2)	\$12,413
Other Offering (4/2).....	\$4,214
Children’s Mission Offering 2nd quarter to date	\$99
Sunday School Attendance (4/2).....	80
Worship Attendance (4/2).....	205
General Fund YTD Receipts as of (4/2)..	\$115,635
General Fund YTD Budget as of (4/2)	\$130,986

**HONOR YOUR FATHER
AND YOUR MOTHER,
THAT YOUR DAYS MAY BE LONG
IN THE LAND WHICH
THE LORD YOUR GOD
IS GIVING YOU.**

— Exodus 20:12 —

The Scapegoat

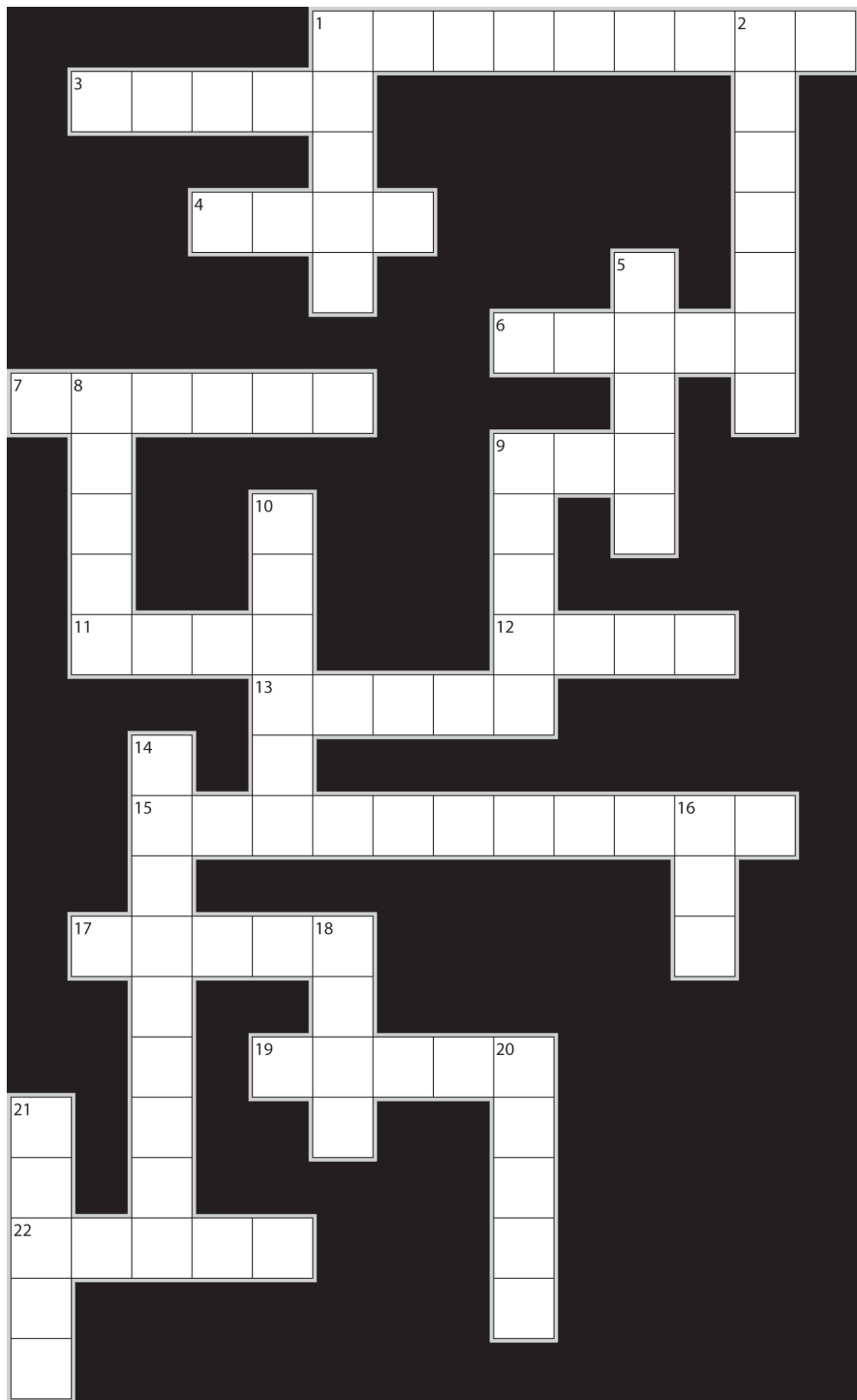
Find the 26 **bold** words from Leviticus 16:20–22.

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T N E S E R P V O H E S V X O
K N M Y N H L R W E E M I I E
D T L K O L A A R A T L K N L
W O E B T A E N N D I B A C S
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Z E K A C J D S R I M R I D O
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T R A N S G R E S S I O N S P
Q R O E S O L I T A R Y W M U
Y A W A B H C H V D J K X S T

And when he has finished to **atone** for the **holy place**, and the **tent of meeting**, and the **altar**, he shall **present** the **live goat**. And **Aaron** shall lay **both** his **hands** on the **head** of the live goat and **confess** over it all the **iniquities** of the people of **Israel** and all their **transgressions**—even **all** their **sins**. And he shall **put** them on the head of the goat and shall **send** it **away** into the wilderness by the hand of a man who is in readiness. And the goat shall **bear** all their iniquities on itself into a **solitary land**. Then he shall **release** the goat into the wilderness.

Unscramble the verse:

Orf I liwl eppara ni het docul erov eht yermc tsae.



Easter Year A

*Find the answers in today's four Scripture lessons.
It may help with the Psalm if you use the English Standard Version
instead of the old Psalter in the bulletin.*

ACROSS

1. Jesus' greeting to the runners
3. Jesus healed all who were oppressed by this spirit.
4. Set him always before you.
6. Through Jesus Christ, this gospel is preached.
7. God delights in them.
9. There is fullness of this in God's presence.
11. What of yours is hidden in God?
12. Apart from God, we do not have this.
13. Seek things from there.
15. It is beautiful and ours.
17. Jesus was raised on this day.
19. He opened his mouth and preached.
22. At which hand of God is Christ seated?

DOWN

1. You will appear with Christ there.
2. Where did Jesus tell them to go?
5. Two of them went to the tomb on Sunday.
8. He rolled back the stone.
9. Jesus is this authority over the living and the dead.
10. Jesus commanded the apostles to do this.
14. The angel had an appearance like this.
16. The Lord is our chosen portion and...
18. Your life is hidden with Christ because you have...
20. Jesus was not in the tomb because he had...
21. Don't have a mindset from there.



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Next Sunday's Lessons: Acts 5:29-42; Psalm 148; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

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