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Contemporary Worship

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about today's service

In today's gospel, the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter, the first reading is from the Acts of the Apostles. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.

P: Pastor

L: Lector

C: Congregation

✝ Gathering ✝

We gather together to praise God and receive His love.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! *Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear---we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices are available at the Gathering Space desk.*

Announcements and Songs of Praise (8:20 am)

Welcome

(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C. Amen.

P: Trusting in the power of God to make all things new, let us confess our sin to God and our neighbor.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Lord God,

C: in the light of your glory we see the evil we have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we have denied. Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel. Amen.

P: Rise up from the dust! Cast off the shroud of sorrow and put on the joy of the Lord. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

C: Thanks be to God.

Song: "Salvation Belongs To Our God"

Verse 1

Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne. And unto the Lamb Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Be to our God forever and ever.

Be to our God forever and ever.

Be to our God forever and ever. Amen.

Verse 2

And we the redeemed shall be strong in purpose and unity.

Declaring aloud praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Bridge: Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Tag (2X): Amen.

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Greeting

P: Rejoice and be glad. Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith

in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

✝ Word ✝

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of His people.

Children's Time

Pastor Brock

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

After the Holy Spirit came to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], ²²"You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' ²⁹"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel

John 20:19-31

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

Sermon

Acts Church: Raised

Pastor John H. Brock

(Stand)

Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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

Following each petition are the words: "Lord, in your mercy,"

Please respond with: "hear our prayer."

+ Meal +

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

(Sit)

Offering:

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Special Music: "Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed"

Verse 1

How can it be, the One who died has born our sin through sacrifice,
To conquer ev'ry sting of death? Sing, sing hallelujah!

Verse 2

For joy awakes as dawning light, when Christ's disciples lift their eyes,
Alive He stands, their Friend and King! Christ, Christ He is risen.

Chorus

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh, sing hallelujah.

Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed, "Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!"

Verse 3

Where doubt and darkness once had been
they saw Him and their hearts believed,
That blessed are those who have not seen, Yet sing "Hallelujah!"

Verse 4

Once bound by fear now bold in faith,
they preach the truth and pow'r of grace.
In pouring out their lives they gave life, life, life everlasting.

Chorus

Verse 5

The pow'r that raised Him from the grave now works in us to pow'rfully save.
He frees our hearts to live His grace. Go, tell of His goodness!

Chorus (2X)

Bridge

He is risen, He's alive, He's alive, heaven's gates are open wide!
He's alive, He's alive, now in Heaven glorified.
He's alive, He's alive, heaven's gates are open wide!
He's alive, He's alive, now in Heaven glorified.

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(Stand)

Offering Prayer

P: God of abundance, accept our gifts of praise:

C: Our voices raised in song and prayer.

P: Accept our gifts of time and talent:

C: Our lives lived to further your reign of peace and justice.

P: Accept our gifts of treasure:

C: For all that we have, O most gracious God, comes from you. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

P: Holy God, we praise you for rolling away the stone, for emptying the tomb, and for raising your Son, Jesus Christ from the dead. Through his love, we receive healing and the forgiveness of our sins. Through his resurrection, we receive the promise of new life, both now and in the kingdom to come.

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."

Remembering his command, we gather together in fellowship, celebrating all he has done. Strengthen us through this meal, as we await the day Jesus Christ will come again. By the power of the Holy Spirit, make us witnesses of our Lord's resurrection and proclaimers of his name, for the sake of the world you created.

To you, O God, Father, + Son and Holy Spirit, be the glory forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Holy Communion

P: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come and be fed.

C: Alleluia!

(Sit)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. Please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality, we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request-- please ask the pastor at the time of communion.

(Stand)

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. Eternal God, we thank you for nourishing us with this heavenly gift. May our Lord's life, offered in this meal, strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love. In Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table. Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.

Blessing

P: May the God of peace, who raised from the dead our Lord Jesus, provide us with every good thing we need in order to do his will; and the blessing of almighty God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, be with us now and forever.

C: Amen.

Song: "My Savior Lives"

Verse 1

Our God will reign forever,
And all the world will know His name;
Ev'ryone together sing the song of the redeemed.

Chorus

I know that my Redeemer lives and now I stand on what He did;
My Savior, my Savior lives; ev'ryday a brand new chance to say,
"Jesus, You are the only way;" my Savior, my Savior lives.

Verse 2

The King has come from Heaven,
And darkness trembles at His Name;
Victory forever is the song of the Redeemed.

Chorus

Bridge (2x)

My Savior lives, my Savior lives, my Savior lives.

Chorus (2X)

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, as witnesses of the risen Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Arthyr A. Bennett-Nornhold, by Harry O'Donnell; Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Thompson, Jr., and Dr. L. K. Thompson, III, by Mrs. L. K. Thompson, III, and family; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin F. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Hearn, by Kathy, Roy, and Emma Hanson.

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