



*“We invite, encourage, educate and empower  
all people to follow God and serve others.”*

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The Resurrection of Our Lord/ Easter Day      April 17, 2022  
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**EASTER GREETING**

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**RINGING OF THE BELL – DARKNESS TO LIGHT**

**HYMN**            *“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”*            #365 VS 1,2

**Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**INVOCATION AND RESPONSIVE READING**

*We gather for worship in the name of the Father and of the Son and  
of the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen.**

*Give thanks to God because God is good!*

**In God we find our strength and our salvation. We will sing glad songs of victory!**

*We will not die. We will live!*

**This is the Easter day that our God has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

**HYMN**            *"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"*            #365 VS 4

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!  
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Holy God of Easter morning, we come to admit our need for you to save us and welcome us into eternity. We want to move from thinking there's life beyond death to knowing there's life beyond death. Hear our prayers of confession:*

**Almighty, merciful, loving God, we stand here on the edge of eternity and admit the sin of our human condition that is most evident in our thoughts, words, and actions; those things we do and fail to do. In the quiet of this Easter morning we confess our sin to you.**

Silence for confession.

*God, we give you thanks and praise for your Easter invitation into eternity. We are filled with thanksgiving for the saving action of your Son, Jesus Christ, whose life, death, and resurrection gives us forgiveness and the promise of life beyond death. **Amen.***

*I have the honor and privilege, by the grace of God, of announcing to you the entire forgiveness of your sins. In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and free—free to share the steadfast love of God with all. Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

**And also with you.**

*Let us pray. God of mercy,*

**we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ. Help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* OSL Choir

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The 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. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But 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.

*The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON**

*“A Conversation About Easter”*

**HYMN**

*Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

#389

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.**

**The cross stands empty to the sky.**

**Let streets and homes with praises ring.**

**Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

**Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now,  
and touching ev'ry place and time.**

**In ev'ry insult, rift, and war,  
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,  
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, where even hope has died.**

**Women and men, in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.**

**Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.**

#### **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.**

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

*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.**

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

*God declares that we are Easter people!*

**We are here because Jesus Christ has died; Jesus Christ has risen; and Jesus Christ will come again.**

*The risen Christ is present in bread and wine.*

**We are the body of Christ who gather here to celebrate his resurrection presence among us.**

**Holy God, we thank you for your perfect plan to save all humankind from death and sin. We praise you for the saving action of Jesus Christ and his gift of forgiveness.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*Come, Holy Spirit and gather us together as your forgiven people who feast together in resurrection celebration of the One who has come among us and the One who will come again. Amen.*

### **THE 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.**

### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

### BENEDICTION

*Go and live in God's promise of Easter. God and love one another in the name of the risen One, Jesus Christ. Go and serve through the power of the Holy Spirit. Christ is risen!*

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**SENDING HYM**    *“Thine Is The Glory”*                    #376 vs 1,2

**Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.**

*Refrain*

**Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!**

**Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb!  
Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom;  
let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting!**    *Refrain*

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news that Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia. Thanks be to God.**

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*Thank you to all who helped to prepare for and assist with our Easter services this year! Thank you to the OSL Women of the ELCA for gifting us with a wonderful breakfast. Thank you for being a part of our Easter worship and celebration today.*

*Our faith story is not done but continues forward. You are invited to join us for worship and any of the ministries of our congregation as we continue to grow in faith and proclaim Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!*



**\*\*Those who are grieving losses of any sort.**

**\*\*Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Murray Rolph; David (Friend of Wyone); Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Sara (Cousin of Toni Ramsey); Matt (Cousin of Jake Borden); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine); Helen Murphy (Sister of Mikkey Twitero)**

**\*\*Those with on-going concerns, including Roger Spitzer (friend of Dar and Gwen Schroeder); Clay Wahlberg; Peg Tesch; Kimberly Heuer; Lynzee Makowski (Niece of Rebecca Kaiser); Esther Downen; Jason Boll (Son of Linda Boll); Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Shelly (Friend of Carla Oerter); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Michael and Jeffrey (Cousins of Donna Zuerlein)**

**\*\*For our military members and their families**

**\*\*For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety**

**\*\* For the people of Ukraine and Russia**

**\*\*For our leaders at every level**

**\*\*For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far**



**TODAY Easter Service 7:00am**

Greeters/Ushers: Bill and Tammy Dennert

Reader: Nancy Schultes

Broadcast/Sound System: Tammy Dennert

Communion Prep/Assist: Bill and Tammy Dennert

Fellowship Servers: Easter Breakfast Served by WELCA 8:15-9:15am

**TODAY Easter Service 9:30am**

Greeters/Ushers: Stan and Joy Neugebauer

Reader: Chelle Schefcik

Broadcast/Sound System: Stan Neugebauer

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*Drinks*

**Cost: Freewill Donation**

*A time to gather with family and friends right here in Hermosa for a great home-cooked meal and fellowship while celebrating the women in our lives.*

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Sponsored by the OSL  
Outreach Committee

*Proceeds to help fund faith  
formation trips this summer for  
our community youth*