



Martin Luther Ev. Lutheran Church
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EASTER SUNRISE

Opening Hymn 149 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Greeting:

P: Jesus Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Responsive Easter Litany:

P: By the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and by the faithful testimony of the apostles, you have assured us that our faith stands on a sure and solid foundation.

C: God of all grace, we thank you for the gift of eternal life in your Son:

P: Though we do not see Jesus with our physical eyes;

C: Help us see Him with the eyes of faith.

P: Through your Holy Spirit, breath on your church that it may faithfully proclaim the gospel of our risen Savior with courage and diligence in all lands and to all people;

C: You have sent the true Life and Light into the Word. He is Jesus.

P: Grant that we also may be illumined by the heavenly light of your Word, and so keep us in the one and only faith.

C: Jesus lives so we may live and be His people.

P: We lift our eyes and voices heavenward to praise you, dear Lord, as you today put before us the blessed truth that our Redeemer lives to whom we give our devotion, trust and very life;

C: Risen Lord, hear our songs of worship and praise and live in us that we may live for you. Amen.

Prayer. God, you made the dawn of this most holy day to shine with the glory of our Lord’s resurrection. Grant that we who have been raised from the death of sin by your

life-giving Spirit may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sing: Amen

Easter Sunrise Scriptures:

First Lesson: Isaiah 12:1-6 EHV “Songs of Praise”

In that day you will say: I will give thanks to you, LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger has turned away, and you comfort me. ²Surely God is my salvation. I will trust him and will not be afraid, because Yahweh, the LORD, is my strength and song, and he has become my salvation. ³Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴In that day you will say: Give thanks to the LORD! Proclaim his name. Declare among the peoples what he has done. Proclaim that his name is exalted! ⁵Sing to the LORD, for he has done amazing things! Let this be known in all the earth! ⁶Shout aloud and sing for joy, daughter of Zion, for the Holy One of Israel is great among you! he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted

Hymn 162 “He Is Arisen! Glorious Word”

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:51-57 EHV”Jesus Guarantees our Resurrection”

⁵¹Look, I tell you a mystery. We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the blink of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴But once this perishable body has put on imperishability, and this mortal body has put on immortality, then what is written will be fulfilled: “Death is swallowed up in victory.

⁵⁵Death, where is your sting? Grave, where is your victory?” ⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

Hymn 144 “Christ Is Arisen”

Sermon Text: John 20:1-2, 11-18 EHV “From Tears to Easter Joy”

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she left and ran to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb,” she told them, “and we don’t know where they put him!”

³So Peter and the other disciple went out, heading for the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and got to the tomb first. ⁵Bending

over, he saw the linen cloths lying there, yet he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter, who was following him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there. ⁷The cloth that had been on Jesus' head was not lying with the linen cloths, but was folded up in a separate place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who arrived at the tomb first, also entered. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not yet understand the Scripture that he must rise from the dead.) ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood outside facing the tomb, weeping. As she wept, she bent over, looking into the tomb. ¹²She saw two angels in white clothes sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³They asked her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She told them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I don't know where they have laid him."

¹⁴After she said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, though she did not know it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?" Supposing he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you carried him off, tell me where you laid him, and I will get him." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and replied in Aramaic, "*Rabboni!*" (which means, "Teacher").

¹⁷Jesus told her, "Do not continue to cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to my Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father—to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!" She also told them the things he said to her.

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Offering of the Day

Prayers including Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament (pages 33-37) Service of Word & Sacrament Liturgy

Communion Hymn 152 "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

Closing Hymn 166 "The Day of Resurrection"