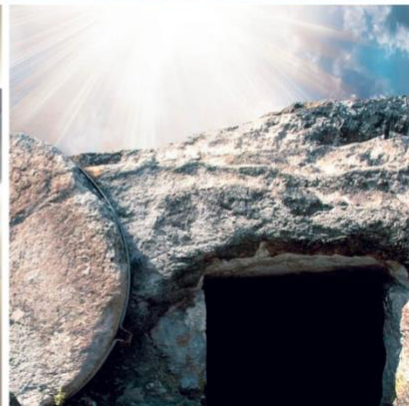
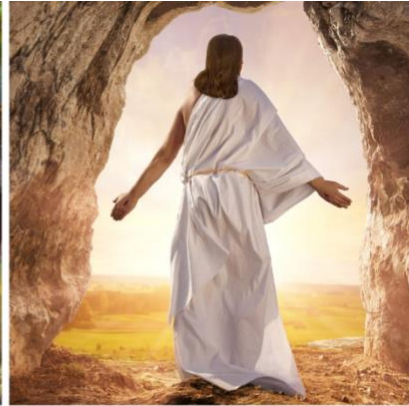


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Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, March 31, 2024

EASTER MORNING ACCLAMATION

P: Alleluia! The tomb is empty! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

WELCOME *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN: Christ the Lord is Risen Today.....RECLAIM No. 151

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: The psalmist declares that the God who created us – who loves and redeems us – searches and knows us completely. So we come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace. Even sin and death are not obstacles between us and God. So let us confess our faults that they may be washed away by the mercy of our risen Lord.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Gracious God,

C: We confess that we have sinned against you and one another. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses and taking our sins to the cross. Hear the good news of the Gospel: in accordance to the command of our Lord Jesus, and by his authority alone, I forgive you the entirety of all your sins.

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

CHOIR ANTHEM: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (*arr: Becki Slagle Mayo*)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

Isaiah proclaimed the word of the Lord which promised a lavish banquet of fine foods and wine for God's people. Death would be no more, tears and suffering would be no more. "Let us be glad in his salvation," declared the prophet.

“On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And

he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

St. Paul preached the good news that Christ died for the sins of all who believe. After Jesus was raised from the dead he appeared to his disciples and to many others, including Paul himself. It is by grace alone, Paul iterated, that he was called to be an apostle, even though he once persecuted the church.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING: Mark 16:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 16th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Just As He Told You

HYMN: I Know That My Redeemer Lives (vss. 1,2,7,8).....RECLAIM No. 274

THE BAPTISM OF BRAXTON LEVI DIEL (*see liturgy on page 6*)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each petition ends with the words Lord, in your mercy. Respond by saying Hear our prayer.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father, for in the night of his betrayal...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord Jesus, as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim your death until you come again. Remember us, therefore, 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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Resurrection Lutheran's communion practices can be found on the "Come To The Table" instructional in your pew. If you are a visitor or guest, please consider referencing this card.

BENEDICTION

HYMN: Thine Is the Glory.....RECLAIM No. 161

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, loving and serving in the name of our crucified and risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

Keyboardist: Nikki Basel

Reader: Donna Krahrmer

Ushers: Brad Matthes and Doug Mayer

Greeters: Ross and Ruth Heilman

Communion Set-Up: Ron and Susan Brooks

Communion Assistants: Karen McGregor and Donna Krahrmer



THE SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR BRAXTON LEVI DIEL



INTRODUCTION AND QUESTIONS

LUTHER'S FLOOD PRAYER

CONFESSION OF FAITH

P: I ask you all now to reject sin and profess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we believe and baptize. Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises, if so, please respond, "we renounce them."

C: We renounce them

P: Together, let us confess our faith in the name of the Triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - who claims Braxton as His own, using the words of the Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE BAPTISM AND PRAYER

CONGREGATION'S RECEPTION

P: Braxton, receive this burning light as a reminder that today you have received Christ, who is the Light of the world. In Holy Baptism, God has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us all to the treasures of heaven. On behalf of this faith community, Resurrection Lutheran Church, we receive you in the name of Jesus as our brother in Christ, that together we might joyfully hear his Word, receive his gifts, and proclaim his praises until the day he comes again.

The congregation is invited to welcome Braxton with an acclamation of applause

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship! Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused member congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. To learn more about our association of Churches, please visit www.lcmc.net. You are encouraged to sign the **friendship pad** at the end of your pew.

This Spring, the women of our congregation will be studying *“The Proverbs 31 Woman”* from SOLA. This study gives a look into the lives of biblical women, specific to the theme of Proverbs 31 and how it was exemplified in their life. Contact Karen McGregor by Wednesday, April 10th if you would like to participate, as she will make a group order for the materials from SOLA. The approximate cost will be \$10 for the book. Women’s Bible Study begins on Wednesday, April 24th at 1:00pm.

New Book Discussion: Throughout the Old Testament, God continually promised to send His Son to save a lost humanity. Connecting Old Testament prophecies together, you can truly see how Christ is prevalent throughout the entirety of Scripture. Join Pastor Aaron beginning Wednesday, April 17th at 6:30pm for a study on *The Messiah: Revealing Jesus in the Old Testament* from Concordia Publishing House. You can purchase the book on CPH’s website, or from Amazon.

Resurrection Lutheran will be preparing and serving an evening meal at the **Connections Ministry homeless shelter** on Tuesday, April 16th. 4 people will be needed to arrive here at Church at 4pm to help prepare the meal. A different team of 5 individuals will arrive at Church at 5:15 to help load up the meal, carpool together to the shelter, and serve. A sign-up sheet is out on the Welcome Center desk.

This week at RLC: with the exception of Monday prayer group tomorrow morning, there will be no scheduled activities at Resurrection Lutheran this week. Pastor Aaron will be gone Thursday through Sunday visiting family in South Dakota. Pastor Randy Freund, Service Coordinator for the Augustana District, will be here at Resurrection Lutheran to preach and lead worship next Sunday, April 7th.

Birthdays this week: Amanda Eccles (4th)

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IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The beauty of our Sanctuary this morning is made possible, in part, by the donations of these generous individuals who gave monetary gifts for our Easter lily plants in memory or honor of those near and dear to their hearts:

In thankfulness that our Lord and Savior is always with us, by Audrey Simmons

In memory of Charlotte Meschke, Mahlon & Mary Dahle, Emery & Lois Meschke, and Herbert & Bernie Quamme, by Helen Meschke

In honor of prisoners of war and soldiers missing in action, by Don Peterson

In memory of our beloved daughter Diane, by Daryl and Rita Schoemaker

In honor of our children and grandchildren, by Cliff and Deb Thompson

In memory of Gerald Graham and Alan Klingbeil, by Joan Graham

In memory of Sue's brother, Brian Knutson, by Doug and Sue Mayer

In memory of our parents: Alice & William Schroeder and Verna & Reuben Youngerberg, by Mike and Vicki Youngerberg

In memory of Nels and Kathleen Pierson, by Erika Pierson

In memory of our parents, by Pat and Karen McGregor

In memory of our parents, by Ross and Ruth Heilman

In honor of our families, by Dave and Helen Schauer

In memory of Thomas Severson, by Carol Severson

In honor of our family, by Jerry and Joyce Roust

In memory of Robert Heinze, by Nancy Heinze

