

The Resurrection of Our Lord, year B

April 4, 2021 + Mount Olive Lutheran Church



Focus on the Season: The Resurrection of Our Lord, year B

This is the day that God has made – let us rejoice and be glad in it! Today is the Day of Days, when God acted and raised Jesus from the dead. In Christ’s resurrection we see the promise that the shroud of death over the world has been destroyed, that God’s life is stronger than death. Like the women who came to the tomb early Sunday morning, we can be surprised by this, even frightened by it. But, like them, we are invited to find our joy in Christ’s living presence and witness to the world what God is doing.

Keep this document open on the screen, to aid in your worship today. The link is embedded in this pdf, so you don’t have to return to the email. You can also print these pages and use the link in the email.



Centering and Gathering

Light your candle. [Start the video by clicking here](#); it will continue through the Postlude

PRELUDE: Toccata from *Symphony No. 5 for Organ* Charles Marie Widor (1844-1937)
Arranged for trumpet and organ by David Cherwien. Recorded Wednesday, March 24, 2021. Charles Lazarus, trumpet, and Cantor Cherwien, organ.

PROCLAMATION AND HYMN: ELW 365, “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Sung at Mount Olive on the Resurrection of Our Lord, year C, April 21, 2019.

This includes the responsive alleluias that begin our Easter Sunday liturgy, and the asperges (the sprinkling of baptismal water) during them. If you have a bowl of water, you could sprinkle yourself and others and remember your baptism into Christ’s death and resurrection.

EASTER GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

G **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

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

G **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: ELW page 196, “This is the feast...”

Sung at Mount Olive on the Seventh Sunday of Easter, year A, May 28, 2017.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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, and 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

Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9; reader – Cynthia Prosek, lector

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; * God's mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now declare, * "God's mercy endures forever."

⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, * and has become my salvation.

⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: * "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted! * The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

⁷I shall not die, but live, * and declare the works of the LORD.

⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely, * but did not hand me over to death.

⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness; * I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; * here the righteous may enter."

²¹I give thanks to you, for you have answered me * and you have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.

²³By the LORD has this been done; * it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; * let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Sung at Mount Olive on the Resurrection of Our Lord, year A, April 16, 2017.

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43; reader – Vicar Andrea Bonneville, assisting minister

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "A Repeating Alleluia" – *sung before and after the reading* Calvin Hampton

Sung at Mount Olive on the Resurrection of Our Lord, year C, April 21, 2019. Charles Lazarus, trumpet; Cantor David Cherwien, organ.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

SERMON

Verse 9

Pastor Joseph Crippen

Silence for reflection.

HYMN: ELW 364, "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

Sung at Mount Olive on the Resurrection of Our Lord, year B, April 1, 2018.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

*Our Assisting Minister for today, Vicar Andrea Bonneville, has prepared intercessory prayers for us to pray this morning. As our prayers rise up from all over the metro area and beyond, once more we are joined together in Christ. (Our weekly prayer list is on the last page.) Response: **Hear our prayer.***

PEACE *Please greet one another with Christ's peace.*

OFFERING

There are ways to continue to give of your gifts to our shared work at Mount Olive during this time apart. The Olive Branch has suggested ways both electronic and by mail. See:

<https://www.mountolivechurch.org/resources/olive-branch-newsletter/>

Sending

LORD'S PRAYER *Pray the Lord's Prayer together.*

BLESSING *Response: Amen*

SENDING HYMN: ELW 376, "Thine Is the Glory"

Sung at Mount Olive on the Resurrection of Our Lord, year B, April 1, 2018.

DISMISSAL *The assisting minister leads the dismissal.*

☒ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☑ **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

☒ Go in the peace of the risen Christ!

☑ **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE: "Let the Bright Seraphim," from *Samson* G. F. Handel (1685-1759)
Recorded on Wednesday, March 24, 2021; Charles Lazarus, trumpet, Cantor David Cherwien, organ.



In Our Prayers

- Please pray throughout the week for the following persons: Julia Adams; Elizabeth Beissel, Charlotte Erlandson; Nancy Flatgard; Leila Froehlich; Leanna Kloempken; Mary Lee; Carla Manuel; Lisa Nordeen; Jerry Ostlund; Evelyn Royce; Pariann Schenk; James Wilkes; Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Jodi Royce, daughter of Julia Adams and daughter-in-law of Evelyn Royce; Kjell Thompson, relative of Nancy Anderson; Tommie and Susie Hunter, Danna Nelson, Jacques, friends of Jim Bargmann; Tom McCarr, friend of Keith Bartz; Sara Brunette, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; Arthur Kaemmer, friend of David Bryce; Randy Caverly and Nancy Stelling, nephew and friend of Marcia & Dan Burow; Lela Frazier, sister of Irene Campbell; Klarrisa Ramirez, friend of Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; Greg Eklund, son of Harry & Jeanette Eklund; Susan Bary, friend of Judy Graves; Dolores & David G. Gutierrez, Sr., Chris and David Gutierrez, Jr., parents and brothers of Consuelo Gutierrez-Crosby; Carol Halter (missionary in Hong Kong), friend of Eunice Hafemeister; Lynn Kernkamp, friend of Peggy Hoeft; Tami Huisinga, relative of Wes Huisinga; Craig Cunningham, brother-in-law of Brian Jacobs; Bob Adamson, relative of Jerry Jones & Robbie Ross; Nicole Sanders, Ann Clark, friend of Mary Rose Kaliher; Danielle Pitzen, friend of Ellen Kormanik; Barbara Dahl, sister of Carla Manuel; Dani Olson, Harper Linquist, Steve Camper, relatives and friend of Julie Manuel; Ellen Katsoulis, friend of Carol Martinson; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Martha Johnson, sister of Rhoda Nelson and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Janet Freeburg, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Michael Waechter, friend of Rod & Connie Olson; Kathleen Austad, sister of Jerry Ostlund; Jay Heffern, friend of Gary Pagel; Eileen LaFontaine and Vince & Janine DeLusia, friends of Cynthia Prosek; Kathryn Glick, aunt/godmother of Kathy Thurston; Sue Smith and Steve Swanson, friend of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Rudd Rayfield, Jolie Meshbeshier Hassler, Katelyn Bowden, Cindy Williams, father and friends of Robin Rayfield; Leila Jeffers, mother of Lynn and Lisa Ruff; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; Carrie, friend of Paul & Melissa Stone; Peg Boyle, mother of Amy Thompson; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Andrew Wiechman, son of Grace Wiechman; BJ Wilkes, Joshua Wilkes, LaTrell Wilke, Julius Underwood, and Lonnell Wilkes, son, nephews, grandson and brother of James Wilkes; Sandra Dycus, Becky Groska,

Diane Ristrom, Cathy Reid, Karen Swanson, Patrick Clark, Annie Hose-Ryan, Marcia Van Gorden, Thom Morrissey, friends and brother-in-law of Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Anne-Marie Lundberg, cousin of Eric Zander, Tommie & Susie Hunter; Barbara C. Johnson, friends of Mount Olive.

- **For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:** *Joyce Brown, Jamielle McKusick, Leila Froehlich, Sandra Pranschke, Andrew Brown, and David Anderson.*
- **Prayers for all in the health care system here and around the world** who put their lives at risk to care for those infected with COVID 19 and caring for all others who are ill as well.
- **Our continual prayers are offered for peace:** *We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders and peoples, especially for those who work overseas toward peace: Solveig & Philip, daughter and son-in-law of Karen Johnson; and Tyson Crosby, relative of the Crosby family.*
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**

April 4: *St. Benedict the African, confessor, died 1589* – Born a slave on the island of Sicily, Benedict lived as a hermit until the pope ordered all hermits to attach themselves to a monastery, at which time Benedict joined the Franciscans. Though illiterate, he was highly respected as a confessor and later superior of his community.

April 6: *Albrecht Dürer, died 1528; Matthias Grünewald, died 1529; Lucas Cranach, died 1553; artists* – These great artists revealed through their work the mystery of salvation and the wonder of creation. Dürer's work reflected the apocalyptic spirit of his time. Though he remained a Roman Catholic, he was sympathetic to Martin Luther's reforming work. Grünewald's paintings are known for their dramatic forms, vivid colors, and depiction of light. Cranach's work includes many fine religious examples and several portraits of Martin Luther. Cranach was also widely known for his woodcuts.

April 9: *Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian, martyr, died 1945* – Bonhoeffer was a German theologian who wrote profoundly, yet in an accessible manner. In the Second World War, he became a leader of the Confessing Church in Germany that resisted the Nazi movement. Linked to a plot to kill Hitler, he was hanged shortly before the end of the war.

April 10: *Mikael Agricola, Bishop of Turku, died 1557* – Consecrated bishop of Turku, Finland, without the approval of the pope, Agricola began a reform along Lutheran lines. In only three years, he translated the New Testament and worship texts into Finnish, in the process establishing the rules of Finnish writing that are still used today.