

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH EASTER 2009







RACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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A The Order of Easter Worship A

Worship Preparation: Psalm 118, TLH p. 148 f.

Children's Recitation:..... Mark 16:1-8: The Resurrection Account

Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first dayof the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples; and Peter; that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Children's Hymn:..... The Day of Resurrection

- The day of resurrection, Earth, tell it out abroad, The Passover of gladness. The Passover of God. From death to life eternal, From this world to the sky, Our Christ hath brought us over With hymns of victory.
- 2. Our hearts be pure from evil That we may see aright The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light And, listening to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain, His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.
- 3. Now let the heavens be joyful, Let earth her song begin, Let all the world keep triumph And all that is therein. Let all things, seen and unseen, Their notes of gladness blend; For Christ the Lord hath risen,-- Our joy, that hath no end.



Hymn: TLH 191: Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!

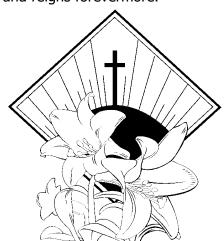
Note: Everyone sings unless noted otherwise.

- 1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, haste your vows to pay; Alleluia! Offer ye your praises meet Alleluia! At the Paschal Victim's feet. Alleluia!
- For the sheep the Lamb hath bled, Sinless in the sinners' stead. "Christ is ris'n" today we cry; Now He lives no more to die.
- 4. [Note: Women only]
 Christians, on this happy day
 Haste with joy your vows to pay.
 "Christ is ris'n," today we cry;
 Now He lives no more to die.
- Hail, eternal Hope on high!
 Hail, Thou King of victory!
 Hail, Thou Prince of Life adored!
 Help and save us, gracious Lord.

Responsory:

- P: The Lord is risen!
- C: He is risen indeed!
- P: "Behold! The Lamb of God ...
- C: Who takes away the sin of the world!
- P: "Behold! The Lamb of God!
- C: Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.
- P: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter;
- C: And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He opened not His mouth."
- P: ... knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold,
- C: But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.
- P: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain ...
- C: To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!"
- P: "Blessing and honor and glory and power Be to Him who sits on the throne,
- C: And to the Lamb, forever and ever!" Hallelujah!

- 3. Christ, the Victim undefiled, God and man hath reconciled. While in strange and awefull strife Met together Death and Life.
- 5. [Note: Men only]
 Christ, who once for sinners bled,
 Now the First-born from the dead,
 Throned in endless might and power,
 Lives and reigns forevermore.



- CDS Hymn:TLH 198: He's Risen, He's Risen, Christ Jesus the Lord
- Note: Congregation sings stanzas 1 and 5
- 1: [All] He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord; He opened Death's prison, the Incarnate Word. Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song, And, earth, sea, and mountain, the paean prolong.
- 2: The Foe was triumphant when on Calvary
 The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
 In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
 For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.
- 3: But short was their triumph, the Savior arose, And Death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes; The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high. He lives, yea, He lives, and will nevermore die.
- 4: Oh, where is thy sting, Death? We fear thee no more Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door. For all our transgressions His blood does atone; Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.
- 5: [All] Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice; Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice. Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain, Who sitteth in glory and ever shall reign.

Confession & Absolution:With TLH 190: Christ the Lord is Risen Again

- P: Let each of us pour out our hearts before God and find comfort in His mercy ...
- C: Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight.
- P: In connection with our Savior Jesus Christ, the Lord has purged you and me with hyssop, and we are clean. He has washed you and me thoroughly from all our sins, and we are whiter than snow. May the joy and gladness of Christ's forgiveness here pronounced comfort and assure your hearts of His abiding love for you.

SING: Now He bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we, too, may enter heaven. Hallelujah!

First Reading:John 20:1-9(With TLH 190: Christ the Lord is Risen Again)

(1) Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. (2) Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." (3) Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb. (4) So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. (5) And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying there; yet he did not go in. (6) Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying there, (7) and the handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself. (8) Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed. (9) For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.

SING: Christ the Lord is risen again!

Christ has broken death's strong chain!

Hark, the angels shout for joy

Singing evermore on high: Hallelujah!

Second Reading:...... John 20:10-18

(10) Then the disciples went away again to their own homes. (11) But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. (12) And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. (13) Then they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." (14) Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus. (15) Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." (16) Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher). (17) Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God."" (18) Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.

SING: He who gave for us His life.

Who for us endured the strife, Is our Paschal Lamb today.

We, too, sing for joy and say: Hallelujah!

Third Reading: John 20:19-20

(19) Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." (20) When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

SING: He who bore all pain and loss Comfortless upon the cross Lives in glory now on high,

Pleads for us and hears our cry: Hallelujah!

Fourth Reading:Revelation 7:9-17

(9) After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, (10) and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs o our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (11) All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, (12) saying: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Beto our God forever and ever. Amen." (13) Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?" (14) And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. (15) Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. (16) They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; (17) for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

SING: He who slumbered in the grave

Is exalted now to save; Now through Christendom it rings That the Lamb is King of kings. Hallelujah!

Thou our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, today Thy people feed; Take our sins and guilt away

That we all may sing for aye: Hallelujah!



Choir:Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds
Confession of Faith:Easter Creed

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Man, Lord of lords and Savior of the fallen world. I believe that He came to earth on a mission of salvation, lived a holy life as my Law-fulfilling Substitute, was crucified at the hands of sinful men, and endured the punishment of hell at the hands of a just God. He died and was buried.

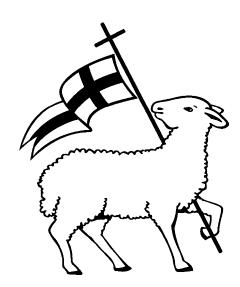
And I believe that on the third day He rose bodily from the dead, exactly as it had been prophesied and as He had promised. Attested to by the inspired Scriptures and by many eyewitnesses, Jesus' resurrection verifies that He is God's Son, that His salvation mission is complete, and that He has triumphed over the last great enemy – death.

And in rising and conquering death, Christ has become the first-fruit of all who sleep in Him. Because He rose, I and all who look to Him in faith shall one day rise. Because He lives, I too shall live. For He has promised me: "I am the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in Me, though He may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die." Amen.

Hymn:TLH 199: Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!

Note: Everyone sings unless noted otherwise.

- 1. 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!
- 2. [Note: Men only; Everyone on Alleluia] Hymns of praise, then, let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3. [Note: Women only; Everyone on Alleluia]
 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
 Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
 Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!
 Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 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! Amen.



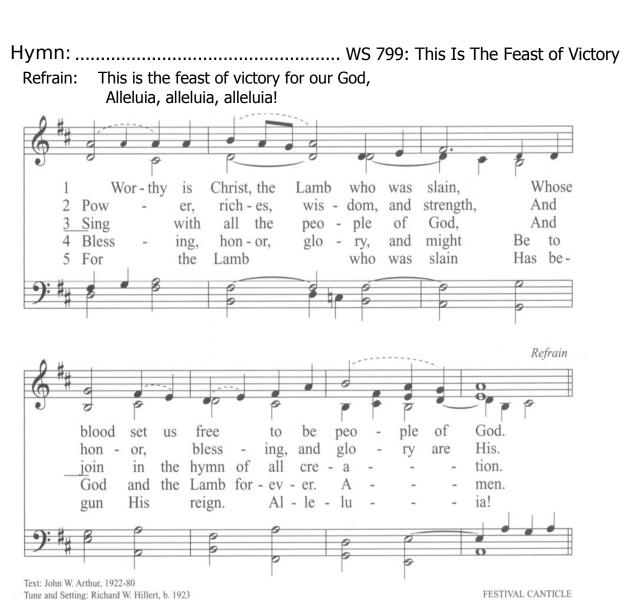
Sermon: Revelation 5:11-14

(11) Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, (12)saying with a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!" (13) And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: "Blessing and honor and glory and power Beto Him who sits on the throne, And to the Lamb, forever and ever!" (14) Then the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever. (NKJVTM)

Christ, Our Victorious Lamb!

Response: TLH 23: Hallelujah! Let Praises Ring

SING: Hallelujah! Let praises ring! Unto the Lamb of God we sing, In whom we are elected. He bought His church with His own blood, He cleansed her in that blessed flood, And as His Bride selected. Holy, holy Is our union And communion. His befriending Gives us joy and peace unending.



Offering, Easter Prayer, Lord's Prayer:

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Easter Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Irregular with Refrain

C: [ɛ] Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hymn:TLH 341: Crown Him with Many Crowns

- 1. Crown Him with many crowns,
 The Lamb upon His throne;
 Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
 All music but its own.
 Awake, my soul, and sing
 Of Him who died for thee,
 And hail Him as thy matchless King
 Through all eternity.
- 4. Crown Him the Lord of Life
 Who triumphed o'er the grave
 And rose victorious in the strife
 For those He came to save.
 His glories now we sing
 Who died and rose on high,
 Who died eternal life to bring
 And lives that death may die.
- 3. Crown Him the Lord of Love,
 Behold His hands and side,
 Rich wounds, yet visible above,
 In beauty glorified.
 No angel in the sky
 Can fully bear that sight,
 But downward bends His wond'ring eye
 At mysteries so bright.
- 5. Crown Him the Lord of Heaven,
 Enthroned in world's above,
 Crown Him the King to whom is given
 The wondrous name of Love.
 Crown Him with many crowns
 As thrones before Him fall;
 Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns
 For He is King of all.

A The Announcements A

- ◆ Easter Thanks: Thanks to all those who contributed to the gathering of Easter lilies at the front of the church. Another thanks to all who helped make the breakfast a special occasion.
- ◆ Easter Greeting: As we journeyed through the season of Lent, we were blessed with the opportunity to stand at the foot of the cross and observe the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Now that we enter the season of Easter, we are eternally grateful for the message of the empty tomb. May these glad tidings of our resurrected Savior enlighten your hearts! May you have a blessed Easter season! Pastor, Janelle, Christina, Abbie, Emily, David, Julianna, & Daniel.
- ♦ Among Us: Jody Oelfke had successful kneecap replacement surgery last week.
- ♦ Midweek Bible Class: To be resumed on Wed., April 22.
- ♦ 2009 Yearbook: Copies are available, one per family, by the guest book. If you'd like to have an electronic copy, please let Pastor know.
- ♦ Softball: There is a signup sheet located by the guestbook. Please signup even if you may have a remote possibility of playing. For any information please speak with Jeff Radichel or Dan Degnan.
- ♦ Traveling VBS: The traveling Vacation Bible School of the CLC is looking for volunteers to participate in this summer's program. There are several different places that they plan on going, including Houston, TX, and Mountain View, CA. The program

- sends a flyer team and a teaching team. Donations to the program are also accepted. For more information, go to www.clctvbs.org.
- ♦ ILHS Visitors Day: Visitors Day for Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI, is slated for May 1. This lasts the entire day as there are activities scheduled to familiarize students with the campus, classes, and activities. The end of the day will be capped off with the 7:30 pm performance of the ILC musical, "Into the Woods." Current 7th and 8th grade students are invited to attend. Please speak with Pastor Hein if interested.
- ♦ Summer Camp at ILC: This year's camp is at the ILC campus. Camp dates are July 19-25 for campers going into grades 5th-9th. The cost for camp will be \$100. We are also running our Pre-camper program again, for children ages 5-9 and will be half-aday in the mornings. The camp website is youthcamp.clclutheran.net.
- ♦ Girls Basketball Camp at ILC: A camp is being held this summer, July 17-19, at ILC for girls entering grades 5-12 next year. The cost is \$30 and includes a t-shirt, basketball, food, and lodging. To register, find the link on the ilc.edu website.
- ♦ Youth Conference: The conference is June 22-27 at West Harrison, IN. Information is available at .
- ◆ Call News: Living Word of Liberty, MO, has called Pastor Michael Gurath, currently serving a limited time call in Phoenix, to serve as pastor. ? Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer at Hecla, SD, has received and accepted the vacancy call to Redeemer Lutheran, Bowdle and Zion Lutheran, Ipswich, SD. The call is effective April 13.
- ♦ Sunday School Memory Work: #23, Baptism 1 & 2

Last Week's Stats: Ap	or. 5, 20	009 Sun.: 1	130 S.S.: 18	B.Cl.: 42	2 Fri.: 94
Sun. Offering:		Grace:	3,314.25	CLC:	1,202.00
Fri. Offering:		Grace:	1,079.50	CLC:	380.00
Weekly Need:		Grace:	3,300.00	CLC:	1,000.00
-Under / +Over:		Grace:	-798.65	CLC:	-438.00
Year-to-Date Offering::		Grace:	38,543.41	CLC:	12,876.40
Year-to-Date Need:		Grace:	42,900.00	CLC:	13,000.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)		Grace:	-4,356.59	CLC:	-123.60
Other Offerings:		Living Faith:	30.00	Tuition:	111.00
GLC Other:	25.00	MDF:	137.00	Kinship:	79.00
ILC Student Aid:	25.00	ILC Bldg.	164.00	IIF: 39.00	CEF: 54.00



Message of the Resurrection

ö Christ is the Son of God
 ö God's Word is truth
 ö God accepted the Sacrifice of His Son
 for the reconciliation of the world
 ö All believers in Christ shall rise to eternal life

Council Meeting Notes - April 5, 2009

The March Council meeting minutes were accepted as presented. The March treasurer's report was accepted as presented. The last 3 reports in the set will be used for the voters meeting.

Pastor's Report

- Church discipline issues are being addressed.
- The annual report is available.
- May 24 is confirmation Abigail Hein and Eric Eichstadt. Examination will be during the 9:00 am service since the summer schedule begins that weekend.
- Mike Ude will resign as Sunday School superintendent at the end of this year.
- Ann Radichel plans to teach until the end of the 2009-2010 school year. Her duties will be reduced next year to be more inline with her part-time call.

Board of Elders Report

- Moved to accept the transfer of Jeff and Eleise Aymond from Berea in Inver Grove Hts., MN
- The Rust family will be using the fellowship hall on May 24
- Constitution changes will be presented to the voters.
- Preparation and presentation of church services for projection and recording takes effort. It is thought that this takes scheduling similar to scheduling the organists under the Elders.
- It was defeated to allow Chris Nelson to give a presentation regarding funeral preparation.

Board of Education Report

A substitute teacher will assist with administering the lowa Basic tests.

Board of Trustees Report

- The annual audit of the treasurer's books is completed. There are no issues.
- Estimates have been obtained to scrub, wax, and seal the fellowship floor: 1) Service Master -Regular \$975. Sale \$690; 2) A small company - \$950; 3) Deitz Janitorial - \$700.
- Still pursuing a solution for the copier.
- Some lights in the church have been repaired and some lilacs have been cleaned up.

Other Business

- Ole will review web site changes at one of our next meetings.
- A level 3 sex offender is moving into the area. Some security measures are:
 - Provide adult supervision outside at all times.
 - Post the notice in the school.
 - Notify all parents.
 - Attend the meeting April 6 at Unity Hospital.

 - Provide more keys for the school doors. Change the doorbell to ring in the school.
 - Notify all church members.
 - Make sure the doors close securely behind you.
- Follow-up note: At the public meeting it was announced that the offender was no longer moving into the neighborhood but was listed as homeless in Minneapolis. The authorities are involved and are ensuring they will monitor if he comes into the neighborhood.
- The Bd. of Ed. is to determine where the Sun. School money is to be recorded in the future.
- The Metro Outreach proposal is: 1) 9:00 AM services; 2) A funeral home in Eden Prairie (free of charge); 3) Pool of 10 pastors used for preaching schedule; 4) Start May 31, 2009
- It is appreciated that Council members visit with members prior to the church service, but it would also be appreciated if they would leave the entry when the lights switch off 5 minutes prior to the service.
- The projection committee is to review their status with the Elders.

A Today At Grace A

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder Al Rosendahl

Ushers Benno Sydow, Brian Eichstadt, Gary Gunther, Rich Rhinesmith, Jeff Stifter, Larry Nelson

Counting Team: 5 Mike Dick; Brad Kitzman; Ed Lentz; Roger Ochsner

Hospitality Team: 2 Bye (Easter Breakfast)

Church Cleaners R. & H. Nelson School Cleaners Hein

A Next Week At Grace A

Ushers Benno Sydow, Brian Eichstadt, Gary Gunther, Rich Rhinesmith, Jeff Stifter, Larry Nelson

Counting Team: 1 Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel; Pat Paplow

Hospitality Team: 3 Larry Nelson; Barb Sydow; Mikey Oman; Miranda Duehlmeier; Dan & Cindy Degnan

Church Cleaners Volunteers?

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Sunday

A Our Schedule A

7:30 am - Easter Breakfast Today:

9:00 am - Easter Festival Service

Tue., Apr. 14: School Resumes for ILC and Grace

Wed., Apr. 15: 4:00 pm – Catechism for Public School Students

Sun., Apr. 19: 8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am - Sunday School and Bible Class 10:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 2)

11:15 am -Hospitality; 12:30 pm - Voters' Meeting

9:00 am - Work Day Sat., Apr. 25:

Immanuel Lutheran H.S. Visitors' Day Fri., May 1:

7:30 pm - ILC Musical "Into the Woods"

Welcome: We welcome our visitors on this most joyous of Christian holidays. Please sign our guest register located by the entrance of the church. You are certainly welcome to talk with our Pastor to learn more about Grace Lutheran and what we believe Scripture teaches. We cordially invite you to come again, and please let us know how we may provide spiritual ministry to you!

