

### LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Growing Family of Faith August 30, 2020 13th Sunday after Pentecost



# **EASTER IN AUGUST**

# **INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP** (please rise as you are able)

- P. We are called together to worship today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *C. AMEN!*
- P. We gather in the name of the risen Lord. C. Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- P. We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one. C. Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- P. We gather to share our faith and to worship God. C. Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- P. We gather to proclaim the good news of Easter! Christ is risen!

ALL. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

GATHERING SONG "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

P. Most merciful God,

C. We confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection but are caught up in the worries of the world. We live in ways that put ourselves and our own desires first. Forgive us for our selfish ways and call us back to the path of Christ. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Romans 8:38)

P. Hear the words of Paul..."For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." We are forgiven!

ALL: Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen

(Please be seated)

WORSHIP SONG "Lift High the Cross"

## **SCRIPTURE LESSONS** First Lesson

R. The first lesson is from the book of 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26:

<sup>19</sup> If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R. This is the word of the Lord *C. Thanks be to God*.

## **RESPONSIVE EASTER LITANY**

R. Hold your head high, Christ has risen!

C. Rejoice and shout; Christ has come calling us home.

R. Home to the heart of God; home to God's living presence.

C. Hold your head high; Christ has risen!

R. Death has been conquered.

C. Hold your head high; Christ has risen!

R. God's eternal world has begun!

C. Love reigns over all!

ALL. Christ has risen indeed!

R. Here ends the Easter Litany. Please join in singing our next worship song.

**WORSHIP SONG** "I Know My Redeemer Lives"

**GOSPEL LESSON** (Please rise as you are able)

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter, verses 9-13:

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

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,
Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the Kingdom and the Power, and the Glory,
Forever and ever. Amen

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord. *C. Praise to you, O Christ.* 

**SERMON SONG** "Hallelujah, Easter Version"

**MESSAGE** Pastor Michael Birnbaum

## **OFFERING PRAYER/PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P. The Lord be with you. *C. And also with you*.

P. Let us pray..... C. Generous and surprising God, when we thought that death had claimed your only Son, you amazed us with the resurrection. Surprise us again with your ability to turn these humble offerings into gifts that will transform the world through our

witness to your love. We lay our very lives at your feet, O God, knowing that you will use us to proclaim and represent the gospel. Amen.

Following general prayers, you are encouraged to share other prayer concerns out loud. Please close your prayer concern with "Lord in your mercy".

### **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

## **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 our thanks and praise.
- P. It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending proclamation: *C. (singing) Holy, holy, holy,*

My heart, my heart adores You!
My heart is glad to say, the words:
You are holy, Lord!

**Communion Prayer, Consecration of Elements, Lord's Prayer** (please join hands)

(Please be seated during distribution of communion)

We welcome everyone to the Lord's Table who shares the Biblical belief that He is present (1 Cor. 10:16) and our sins are being forgiven as He promises (Matt.26:28). This sacrament is a truly wonderful opportunity to share this miracle and our oneness as the Body of Christ together! (1Cor. 10:17-18) Communion is served by intinction; receive the bread then dip it into the wine (white) or juice (red).

**POST COMMUNION BLESSING/BENEDICTION** (please rise as you are able)

**SENDING SONG** "Shout to the Lord"

P. Go in peace. Serve the Living Lord. *C. Thanks be to God!* 

P. Christ is risen! C. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!



Join us for cake following worship and welcome our newest members!



- Sept 2-Men's Bible Study and Fellowship 8 AM
- Sept. 6-Fellowship Potluck & Cookout at Pat Toth's home. See or call Pat for details (928-565-1024)
- September 25-30-Men's Retreat-See Flyer for full information!
  Only 2 spots left!
- Sept. 26-The Return: National and Global Day of Prayer and Repentance— on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. & around the nation and around the world. More info coming!

### **Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

Christ the Lord is risen today Alleluia Sons of men and angels say Alleluia Raise your joys and triumphs high Alleluia Sing ye heaven's and earth reply Alleluia

Lives again our glorious King Alleluia Where O death is now thy sting alleluia Dying once He all doth save alleluia Where thy victory O grave alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done Alleluia Fought the fight the battle won Alleluia Death in vain forbids Him rise Alleluia Christ has opened Paradise Alleluia

Soar we now where Christ has led Alleluia Foll'wing our exalted Head Alleluia Made like Him like Him we rise Alleluia Ours the cross the grave the skies Alleluia

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#### Lift High the Cross

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name Come Christians follow this triumphant sign The hosts of God in unity combine.

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name Each newborn servant of the Crucified Bears on the brow the seal of Him who died.

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name
O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw the world to Thee.

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name

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#### I Know That My Redeemer Lives

I know that my Redeemer lives What comfort this sweet sentence gives He lives He lives who once was dead He lives my everlasting head

He lives triumphant from the grave He lives eternally to save He lives exalted throne above He lives to rule His church in love

He lives all glory to His name He lives my Savior still the same What joy this blest assurance gives I know that my Redeemer lives

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### Hallelujah, Easter version

A crown of thorns placed on his head He knew that He would soon be dead, He said "Did you forget me, Father did you?" They nailed him to a wooden cross Soon all the world would feel the loss, Of Christ the King before us Hallelujah. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

He hung his head and prepared to die
Then lifted His face up to the sky,
Said "I am coming home now, Father to you."
A reed which held His final sip
Was gently lifted to His lips,
He drank His last and gave His soul to Glory.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

The soldier who had used his sword
To pierce the body of our Lord,
Said truly this was Jesus Christ our Savior
He looked with fear upon his sword,
Then turned to face his Christ and Lord
Fell to his knees crying Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Took from His head the thorny crown And wrapped Him in a linen gown, Then laid Him down to rest inside the tomb The holes in His hands, His feet, His side, Now in our hearts we know He died To save us from ourselves, Oh Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Three days went by, again they came
To move the stone to bless the slain,
With oil and spice anointing Hallelujah
But as they went to move the stone
They saw that they were not alone
For Jesus Christ has Risen, Hallelujah!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Music: Leonard Cohen Lyrics: Kelley Mooney

#### Shout to the Lord

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty, Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You
Chorus

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