

# The Resurrection of Our Lord

## Easter Day

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

9:30 a.m. In-person and Livestream Worship

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**Atonement Lutheran Church**

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1900 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14618

# GATHERING

## EASTER PRELUDE

*\*Please silence all phones and pagers as we begin worship\**

*(The congregation is invited to face the Procession.)*

## \*EASTER PROCLAMATION

Beloved Church,

Behold the victory of our God: Jesus, our Lord, has conquered death.

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

This is the day that the Lord has made;

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

The gates of death have opened wide, that we may believe Jesus is the Christ, and have life forever.

**Alleluia!**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## \*PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

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## \*GREETING

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

*\* Please Stand As You Are Able*

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **WELCOME**

## **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

## **WORD**

### **FIRST READING**                      *Acts 10:34-43*

*A reading from Acts*

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING** *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

*A reading from First Corinthians*

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been 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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* Stanzas 1 & 2

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**\*HOLY GOSPEL**

*Mark 16:1-8*

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>When they looked up,

they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**\*GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* Stanzas 3 & 4

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**SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Thine Is the Glory*

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**\*NICENE CREED**

Let us confess our faith, and the faith of the Church, with the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS**

In the light of Christ's resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who long for new life. Let us bless the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Receive the prayers we offer, O God, and grant us what we truly need, in the name of Jesus, our risen Savior and Lord **Amen.**

**MUSIC FOR MEDITATION**      *O Sing! Rejoice!*      *-G. F. Handel*  
*As the offering plates are passed during the music, may our generosity help to bring the joy of Christ's presence more deeply throughout the world.*

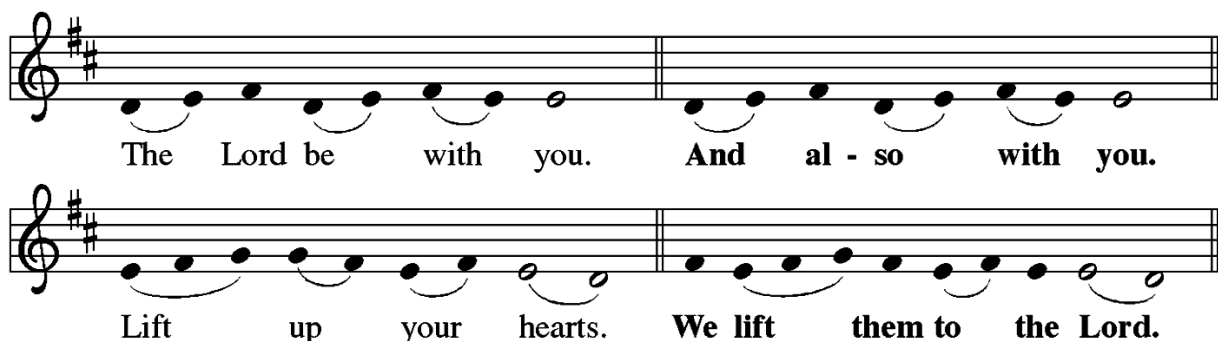
## **\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God of Resurrection, accept the fruit of our labor and the offering of our lives, that we may live in service to Christ, and one day be raised with him in glory. **Amen.**

## **MEAL**

## **\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

.... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## \*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

.... We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

## **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

With all the saints in everlasting light, we pray;

**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.**

## **DISTRIBUTION**

*All are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, Christ's body and blood truly present in the bread and the wine.*

*~Come forward by the center aisle.*

*~Children are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

*~White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are also available.*

*~Dispose of the cup in the basket provided.*

*~Please tell an usher if you need communion elements brought to your pew.*

## **SENDING**

*(The congregation is invited to turn toward the baptismal font.)*

## **\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. Glorious God, in the risen life of your Son you send light to conquer the darkness, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth to be your risen body, that your glory may be shown to all the world. **Amen.**

## **\*BENEDICTION**

Christ has gone to prepare a place for us. May his resurrection bring you everlasting joy that you may abound in hope. Almighty God, Father, † Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## **\*SENDING HYMN**

*Hallelujah Chorus*

*-G. F. Handel*

*(Those in the congregation who would like to sing are invited to join the choir.)*

*Copies of the music are on the table in the Narthex.)*



**\*DISMISSAL**

Tell the good news: Christ is risen from the dead!  
**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

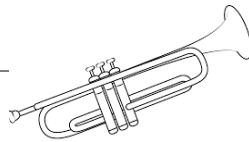
*Eastertide Medley*

The congregation is invited to an Easter Coffee Hour  
in Reissig Hall following worship.

**THANK YOU**

We offer our appreciation to our guest musicians  
Rachael Sanguinetti-Hayes, Kristen Shiner-McGuire, Bill Hudson, singers;  
and Paul Gaspar, trumpet, for their presence with us this morning.

*The Carol and John Condemi Gift of Music fund has generously provided  
for their participation in this worship service.*



**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Assisting Minister ..... | Joanne Scanlon              |
| Crucifer .....           | Ellie Smith                 |
| Acolyte .....            | Graham Lazenby, Addie Smith |
| Book Bearer .....        | Laura Bell                  |
| Children's Moment .....  | Addie Smith                 |
| Communion Servers .....  | John & Lin Macholz          |
| Livestream Recorder..... | Karen Goodyear              |
| Usher .....              | Tom Thompson                |
| Altar Care .....         | Judy Lazenby, Jean Seager   |
| Offering Counters .....  | John Kruidenier, Jim Krapf  |

**The Easter plants in celebration of the  
Resurrection of Our Lord are given by:**

- ◇ In memory of Gary Lazenby from your many Atonement friends
- ◇ Dorothy Haelen, Susan & Family, and Tom & Family in memory of Tom Haelen
- ◇ Mike, Laurie, Nicole, Danielle, and Sophia Bufalo in honor of Norm & Judy Karsten
- ◇ Judy Lazenby in memory of Gary, and in honor of Jack, Aidan, Melinda, Olivia, Hudson, and Graham
- ◇ In honor of Pastor Gail from your many Atonement friends
- ◇ Jean Seager in memory of the Zimmer and Seager Families
- ◇ Florence Wright in memory of Norman Wright and in honor of our children
- ◇ Pastor Gail and Pastor Craig Swanson in honor of their congregations
- ◇ In honor and thanks to David McCarthy for his Ministry of Music
- ◇ Karan & Tom Thompson in memory of Barbara & Dick Fekete
- ◇ Barb Sanko in memory of Family Members and in honor of my Mother, children, and grandchildren
- ◇ In memory of Barbara Macholz Grimaldi (Barbie) from your loving Atonement family
- ◇ Bob & Kathy Heinig in honor of our children and grandchildren, and in memory of our son Bob from Mom and Dad

*Thank you to all who purchased the Easter flowers  
which decorate our Sanctuary this morning.  
Plants may be taken home following the service today.*

# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

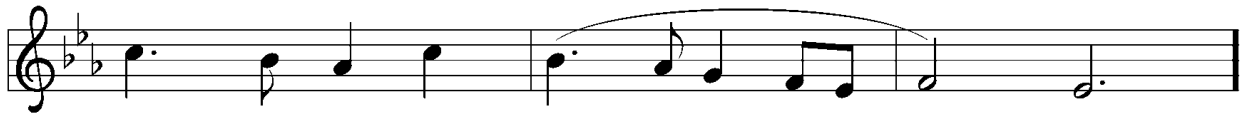
# This Joyful Eastertide



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son  
3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the



sor - - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has  
slum - - ber till trump from east to west shall  
riv - - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my



sprung to life this mor - - row.  
wake the dead in num - - ber.  
pass - ing soul de - liv - - er.

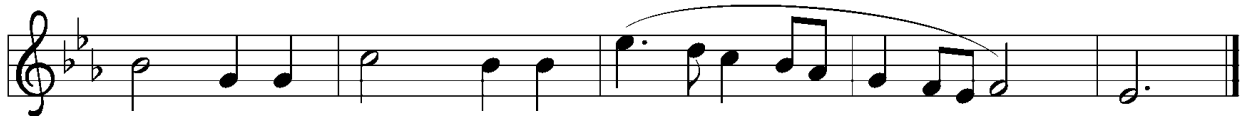
## *Refrain*



Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our

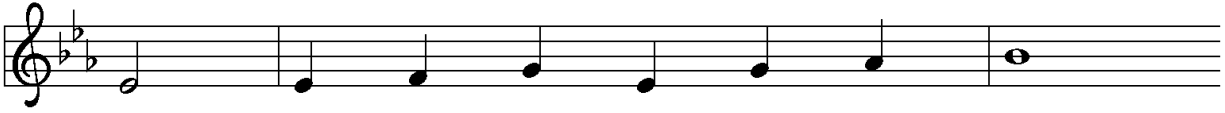


faith had been in vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en.

# Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we  
 and with the heav'n-ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

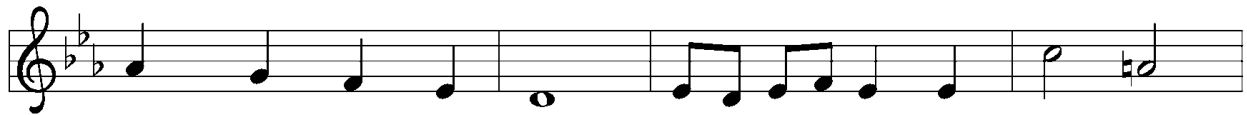
# Thine Is the Glory



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness  
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

## *Refrain*



where thy bod - y lay.  
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

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*Welcome to worship,*

*and a special welcome to those who are visiting with us today.*

*If you are interested in becoming a member of our congregation*

*or learning more about our ministries,*

*please speak to our Pastor.*

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Scan this QR code with your smartphone's camera, -> tap on the link that pops up, and you will be taken directly to Atonement's giving website.



*If your phone doesn't automatically scan the code, you may need to download a QR code reader app. Many are available for free in the Google Play or Apple App store. Please contact Lindee Krapf if you have any questions.*

Our Church Nursery is available  
for parents to use with their children.

Thank you for joining us in worship today!

*"...Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth,  
who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here..."*

*Mark 16:6*

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