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Resurrection Sunday 2020

Prayer before Worship: Praise, thanks, and glory to you, almighty and everlasting God! You have conquered sin, death, and the devil for us. By the resurrection of Jesus you have given us living hope in your saving grace. We have nothing to give you in return for all you have done for us. But on this most glorious and joyful of days, accept the prayers and praises that come from the hearts and lips of your people. We come to you in faith, and pray these things in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

CW 15

- Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
 Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
 Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
 Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
- 2. 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. 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!

Rise for the last stanza

- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
 Praise eternal as His love: Alleluia!
 Praise Him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
 Father, Son. and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!
- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. There, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil, and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment, both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ I pray, Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.
- P: God our Heavenly Father, has been merciful to us, and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore as a called servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father † and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

HYMN CHRIST IS ARISEN CW 144 (Kyrie)

- 1. Christ is arisen, from the grave's dark prison
 We now rejoice with gladness; Christ will end all sadness. Lord, have mercy.
- 2. All our hopes were ended, had Jesus not ascended, From the grave triumphantly, for this, Lord Christ, our thanks shall be; Lord, have mercy.
- 3. Alleluia! Alleluia! We now rejoice with gladness, Christ will end all sadness. Lord, have mercy.

P: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade-- kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. (1 Peter 1:3-5)

C: Thanks be to God.

Be seated

HYMN ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, GIVE THANKS

CW 154

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia; give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia; give praise to his name.

- 1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth; He is the King of Creation. Refrain
- 2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth; Jesus has died and has risen. Refrain
- 3. We have been crucified with Christ; now we shall live forever. Refrain
- 4. God has proclaimed his gracious gift; Life eternal for all who believe. Refrain
- 5. Come, let us praise the living God; Joyfully sing to our Savior! Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD: "I will sing to the LORD, for he is highly exalted. The horse and its rider he has hurled into the sea. The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. The LORD is a warrior; the LORD is his name. Pharaoh's chariots and his army he has hurled into the sea. The best of Pharaoh's officers are drowned in the Red

Sea. The deep waters have covered them; they sank to the depths like a stone. "Your right hand, O LORD, was majestic in power. Your right hand, O LORD, shattered the enemy. In the greatness of your majesty you threw down those who opposed you. You unleashed your burning anger; it consumed them like stubble. By the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up. The surging waters stood firm like a wall; the deep waters congealed in the heart of the

Exodus 15:1-11

sea. "The enemy boasted, 'I will pursue, I will overtake them. I will divide the spoils; I will gorge myself on them. I will draw my sword and my hand will destroy them.' But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters. "Who among the gods is like you, O LORD? Who is like you-- majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?

Choir sings verses and first refrain; Congregation sings all subsequent refrains **Refrain**

R. Proulx



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; God's love endures forevermore. So let the children of Israel say: God's love endures forevermore! **REFRAIN**

The Lord's right hand has triumph brought; the Lord's right hand has raised me up. I shall not die but I shall live, singing of all God's mighty deeds! **REFRAIN**

The stone the builders would not use has now become the cornerstone. Such wonders are the work of the Lord, and they are marvels in our sight! **REFRAIN**

SECOND LESSON

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you.

Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried,

that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them-- yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Anthem I Will Rise Lloyd Larson

There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail. There's an anchor for my soul. I can say, "It is well."

Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won; he is risen from the dead.
And I will rise when he calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God fall on my knees, and rise. I will rise.

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light, and the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes.

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!" I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!"

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Please stand

GOSPEL READING LUKE 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the

ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again."' Then they remembered his words. When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and

to all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ. (sung)

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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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

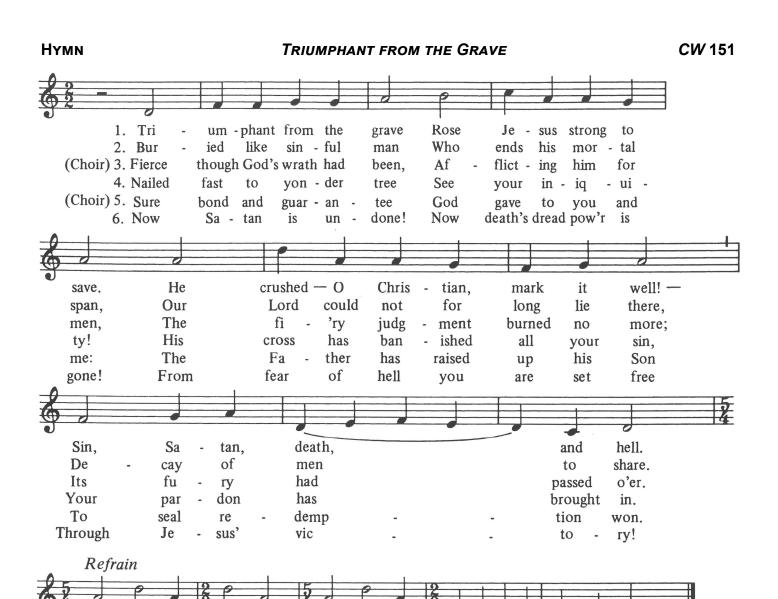
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

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.

Be seated



SERMON MATTHEW 28:1-10

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After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they

sing your

glad song

Now

shook and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I

have told you." So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

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WHO'S AFRAID OF EASTER?

- 1. SINNERS WHO ARE CONFRONTED WITH GOD'S TRUTH
- 2. SINNERS WHO STAND IN AWE OF GOD'S MERCY

He is arisen! Glorious word!

Now reconciled is God, my Lord; The gates of heaven are open.

My Jesus did triumphant die, And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's direst weapon.

Oh, hear; What cheer!

Christ victorious, Riseth glorious, Life He giveth-

He was dead, but see, He liveth!

OFFERING

Please stand

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

- P: Heavenly Father, God of grace, you have brought us into a new and living hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.
- C: Christ is risen!
- P: For as in Adam all died, so in Christ all will be made alive.
- C: He is risen indeed!
- P: He was delivered over to death for our sins and raised to life for our justification.
- C: Alleluia!
- P: We marvel at the love you showed by your willingness to sacrifice your Son to pay for our sins; we bow down in adoration at your mighty power, which raised him from the dead.
- C: We praise you for sending the true Life and Light into the world.
- P: Lord Jesus, God of grace, you have filled our hearts with resurrection joy by your victory over sin, death, and the grave.
- C: You have conquered the darkness and given us comfort and hope.
- P: With the Church of every age, we offer you unending praise, for you have crushed Satan's head and have removed our guilt.
- C: You are risen!
- P: Dear Savior, we who are weary and burdened come to you for rest, knowing that because of your perfect redemption there is now no condemnation for us.
- C: You are risen indeed!
- P: Take away our doubts and fears, and daily renew in us the joy of our salvation.
- C: Alleluia!
- P: Holy Spirit, God of grace, you have called us by the gospel and brought us to saving faith in our risen Lord.
- C: We glorify you for opening our eyes to see the light of life.
- P: Keep us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.
- C: He is risen!

- P: As we journey through life, make us yearn for the day when you will give eternal life to us and all believers in Christ.
- C: He is risen indeed!

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- P: Work through us as we proclaim the saving message of the crucified and risen Jesus near and far, so that many others may hear your call, obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, and join us before the throne of our God and of the Lamb.
- C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia! Amen.
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THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

all responses sung

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, and placed all things under his feet for the benefit of the Church. Now have come the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb, be praise, and thanks, and honor, and glory, for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of your glory. You are my God and I will exalt you. I will give you thanks for you have become my salvation. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of your glory.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Following the consecration of the elements, the pastor will say...

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always

C: Amen (sung)

LAMB OF GOD AGNUS DEI

O Christ, Lamb of God; You take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God; You take away the sin of the world.

Have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God; You take away the sin of the world.

Grant us your peace.

Be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING

CW 141

- At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from his pierced side. Alleluia!
- Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie. You have conquered in the fight; You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 3. Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And your saints in you shall rise. Alleluia!

- 4. Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!
- Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days,
 Three in One, your name we praise. Alleluia!

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I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

CW 152

- I know that my Redeemer lives;
 What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
 He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
 He lives, my ever-living Head!
- He lives triumphant from the grave;
 He lives eternally to save.
 He lives all glorious in the sky;
 He lives exalted there on high.
- He lives to bless me with his love;
 He lives to plead for me above.
 He lives, my hungry soul to feed;
 He lives to help in time of need.
- He lives to grant me rich supply;
 He lives to guide me with his eye.
 He lives to comfort me when faint;
 He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

- He lives to silence all my fears;
 He lives to wipe away my tears.
 He lives to calm my troubled heart;
 He lives all blessings to impart.
- He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
 He lives and loves me to the end.
 He lives, and while he lives l'Il sing;
 He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7. He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death. He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8. He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same. Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: "I know that my Redeemer lives!"

Please stand

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

- P: Living Lord and risen Savior, accept our alleluias and increase our joy that comes from knowing you have risen from the dead. Comfort us with the assurance that our sins are forgiven and that eternal life in heaven is sure. Cause the Easter message to give us joy, and lead us to go and tell the good news of your resurrection to the people who don't know the true meaning of Easter. By your grace, make the light of the gospel shine brightly through us so that the message of the cross will not be hidden but revealed to all that they might be saved. We pray this in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen. (Sung)
- P: Brothers and sisters: Go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen. Amen. (Sung)

HYMN HE'S RISEN, HE'S RISEN

CW 143 Stanza 5

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 now sits in glory and ever shall reign. Amen.

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PREACHER ORGANIST MIXED CHOIR SOLOIST TRUMPET

TROMBONE

Pastor Jeff Bovee
Adrian Smith
Bethel Boeder
Kiara Ristow
Dan Borgwardt
Benjamin Ristow
Carl Boeder
Jennifer Uher

Easter Plants Given as Memorials

Bob Johnson in memory of Jean Johnson
Ruth Koelpin in memory of Arnold Koelpin
Tim and Sandy Reinke in memory of Walton and Valera Reinke
Alan and Jennifer Uher, Bethany and Kristin in memory of
Rev. Kurt and Ruth Eggert, Otto and Alda Uher and Patricia Uher
Rita Walters in memory of Doug and Dominik Walters



ANNOUNCEMENTS

| Fruits of faith given: | | | |
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| \$9, 221 | Home Operations ~ \$15,346 is our weekly need | | į |
| \$593 | MVL ~ \$1,163 is our weekly need | \$25 | St. Paul's School Building Fund |
| \$842 | Missions ~ \$1,714 is our weekly need | | ! |
| \$410 | Building Fund ~ \$1,397 is our weekly need | | |

Bible Classes ~ will continue online. Join us Thursday mornings at 10:30 am for a study on the book of Revelation, on Thursday evenings at 7 pm for a study on the book of Colossians, and Sunday mornings at 9:30 am for a study of the book of Isaiah. All three classes will be held at Meet.Google.com (or with the Google Meet app on your smartphone or tablet) with "meeting code" tjx-anhj-gvx. Or use this shortcut which automatically enters the code for you: https://bit.ly/STJLCNUMeet (Note: the link is case sensitive). You can also call in over the phone at (209) 457-0523 using PIN: 100 259 597# (Note: This will be a long distance call.) The meeting room can hold up to 250 participants, so feel free to tell your friends!

Sending Offerings through Bill Pay ~ Several members of St. John's have asked if there is a way for them to make their weekly offerings automatically either online or by an automatic bank transaction. St. John's is investigating our online giving options, but are not yet ready to receive online gifts. For the time being, we suggest that our members consider using your bank's online Bill Pay service to make weekly or monthly gifts to St. John's. If you have questions about using Bill Pay to make donations, please contact Financial Secretary Mike Thom at 507-217-7671.

MVL Announcements ~

Tiaras & Ties Looking for something fun to do on Saturday, April 18? Join in to our "virtual" Tiaras & Ties father-daughter dance from your home from 3 - 4 pm! We've created a music playlist, activities, and online environment so that you can still make some wonderful memories at home. Check out the MVL Facebook event (facebook.com/mvlhs) and feel free to contact Kristin Matzke at kmatzke@mvlhs.org with any questions.

Community Food Shelf ~ During the month of May St. John members have an opportunity to help serve our NU community by volunteering at the NU Emergency Food Shelf. If you are able please take a few hours to lend a helping hand. The need is greater now than ever before. Both college and high school students are encouraged to help out. Please contact Rita Walters via phone or text at 507-351-8603 or email rmwalters@hotmail.com.

