



Easter Sunday *Traditional Service*
March 31 2024

"He has been raised; he is not here."

Welcome to Hope for Easter 2024.

We are honored by your presence this morning at the Christian community's celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus. Death could not hold Jesus, who is God's saving gift of love and life to our world!

We offer the following to make your worship more rewarding and fulfilling:

- * We do not "take a collection" here. We only receive offerings. By giving a financial gift, you further the work of God's kingdom done by this church. You will also be participating in the offering of your life, your time and your possessions--signs of God's gracious love for us. 100% of our Easter offering has been designated to support the ministry and mission of Salem Lutheran Church's Food Ministry.
- * Holy Communion is open to all baptized followers of Jesus, regardless of Christian denomination. At Hope we believe and teach that Jesus Christ is truly present in Communion through the bread and wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing rather than Holy Communion please come forward with your arms crossed.
- * If you are unable to come forward to receive Communion, please let a Welcome Team member know, and we will bring the gift of this holy meal to you at your seat.
- * As a courtesy to others, please turn all cell phones & devices to the silent mode.
- * Restrooms are located downstairs in the Narthex (red entry doors to the church) or handicapped accessible across the hall from the Nest (out the doors to the front of the worship space).
- * Water fountain is located across from the Nest.
- * For families with young children, your children are welcome in worship with us, wiggles and all. Worship bags are available at either door with activities. Our nursery is available for children 3 years old and younger. The nursery is to the right of the Chancel (church front). There is also a changing table and toddler bathroom there.

Thank you for being here this morning! We invite you to worship and celebrate Jesus' resurrection every Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 and to experience the abundant life Jesus promises and delivers.

May God bless this time of worship and may God's love touch your heart and life in powerful ways today and in the days and months to come.

Wishing you and those you love God's peace and joy,

Kevin Maxey
Senior Pastor

Kristin Hunsinger
Associate Pastor

Hope Lutheran Church
March 31—11:00 am
Easter Sunday



WELCOME

Pastor Kristin

CALL TO WORSHIP

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

All: Amen

Pastor: Look, here is water!

All: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Pastor: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

All: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Pastor: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Look, here is water!

All: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!



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 there - praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 set fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 and with the heav'n - ly things a - bove 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!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt.

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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GREETING

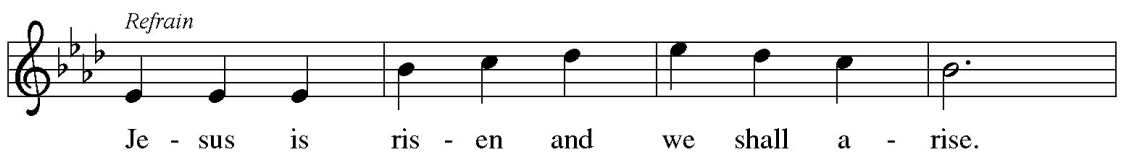
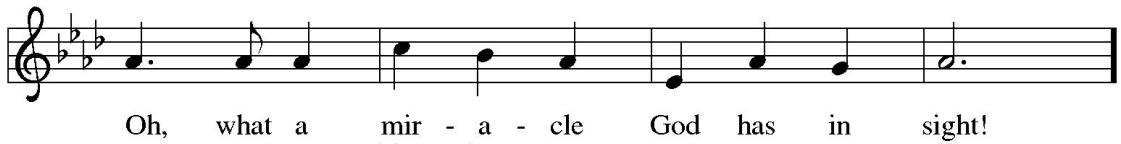
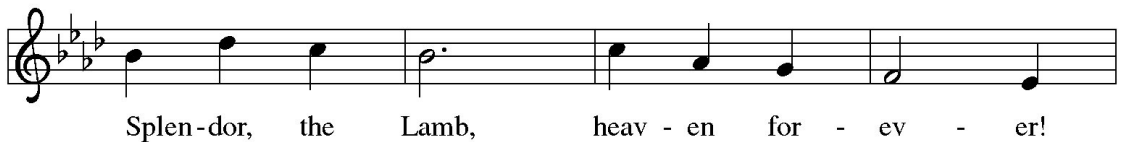
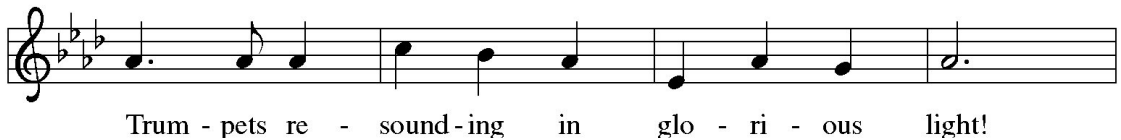
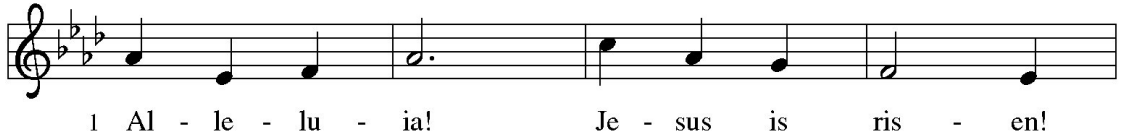
Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you

HYMN OF PRAISE

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

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Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926

Music: David N. Johnson, 1922–1987

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Holy One, you come to us with power beyond all knowing. You lift all things out of the dust, you breathe love into every cell, you call us into communion with you, and you claim victory over death. Blessed be your holy name now and forever.

All: Amen.



NEW TESTAMENT READING

ACTS 10:34-43

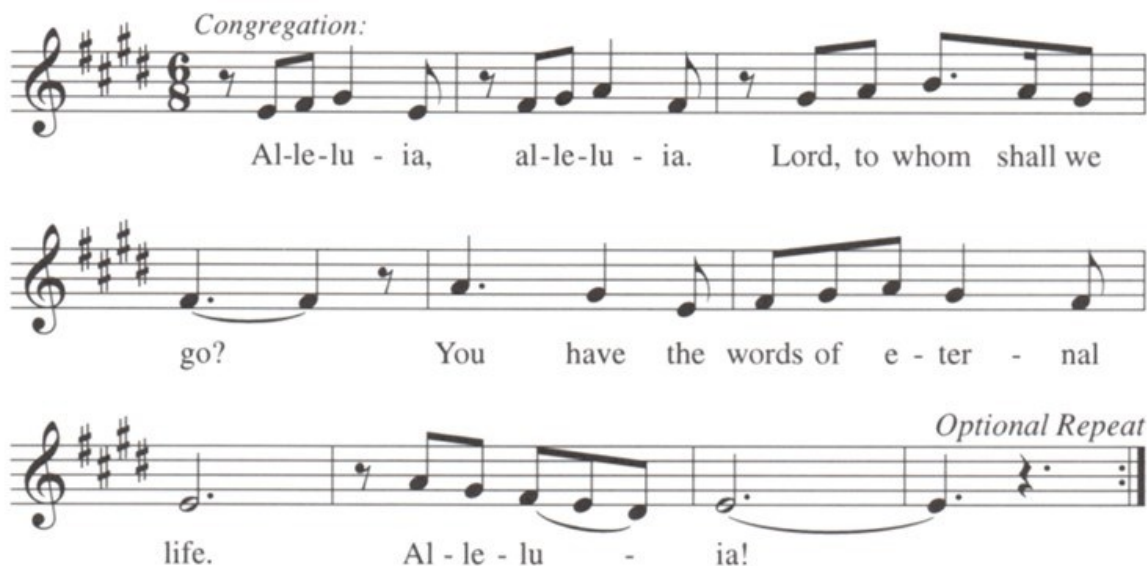
³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He 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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE**Alleluia**

Congregation:



Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Optional Repeat

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics, the second line to the second, and the third line to the third. The third line of music ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign, with the words 'Optional Repeat' written above it.

Pastor: The holy Gospel according to Mark

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

THE GOSPEL**MARK 16:1-8**

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But 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. ⁷But 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." ⁸So 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. (NRSV)

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

EASTER MESSAGE

The Sun Rises

Pastor Kevin

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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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!

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Each petition ends with God of grace, and people respond **hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

Pastor: The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed

Adult Choir

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

Refrain



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

All: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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



Presider:

Congregation:

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



Presider:

Congregation:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is



right to give God thanks and praise.

Pastor It is our duty and our delight...we praise Your name and join their unending



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *Now the Feast and Celebration*, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion will be received up front. The pastors will place bread in your open hand, wrapped gluten free wafers are available upon request. Wine and grape juice are available for intinction. Dip the bread into the cup and consume. Individual cups of wine or grape juice are also available if you prefer. There are trash cans by the doors as you leave worship.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us,
you break the chains of hat-red and fear:
you are the way of jus-tice and peace:
you are the way of mer-cy and love:

mer - cy on us, mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Lamb of God

COMMUNION HYMN

Now The Green Blade Rises

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1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: Amen.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor : Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

All: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always.

All: Amen.



- 1 Christ is ris-en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
- 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
- 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
- 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re-turs to life once more;
now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris - ing of to - day.
We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.



Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now;
See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;
All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
an - gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.
Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Leader: As you go into the world, remember our mission!

All: Live out Servant Love

Show Hospitality

Extend Generosity

Worship the Risen Lord

Leader: Go in peace, a living example of the love of Jesus Christ

All: Thanks be to God!

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