

Communion Practice: We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishop, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.

A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

A Prayer before Communion

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

A Prayer after Communion

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

A Prayer at the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord
April 20th, 2025

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“And they went out, and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them: and they said nothing to any one; for they were afraid.” St. Mark 16:8

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Christ lag in Todesbanden”</i>	Tobias Volckmar
The Ringing of the Bell		
<i>Stand</i>		
The Processional Hymn	<i>“Christ Is Arisen”</i>	INSERT
Silent Prayer	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	ASBH p. 7
The Invocation		ASBH p. 7
The Confession of Sins		ASBH p. 8
Versicles	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 8
Confession and Absolution		ASBH p. 8-9
<i>Stand (if kneeling)</i>		
The Introit	<i>(Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)</i>	ASBH p. 82
The Kyrie		ASBH p. 10
The Gloria in Excelsis		ASBH p. 10-13
The Salutation		ASBH p. 13
The Collect for the Day		ASBH p. 82
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Lesson		Isaiah 52:13-15
The Epistle		1 Corinthians 5:6-8
The Gradual		ASBH p. 82
<i>Stand</i>		
The Sequence Hymn	<i>“Christians, To the Paschal Victim”</i>	INSERT
The Gospel		St. Mark 16:1-8
The Athanasian Creed		ASBH p. 39-40
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”</i>	ASBH 29
The Sermon	<i>He Is Risen!</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory		ASBH p. 18-19
	<i>(An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)</i>	
The General Prayer		ASBH p. 19-20
The Lord’s Prayer		ASBH p. 20
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!”</i>	TLH 191
The Lavabo	<i>(During Hymn)</i>	ASBH p. 21
<i>Stand</i>		
The Exhortation		ASBH p. 21
The Preface		ASBH p. 22
The Proper Preface		ASBH p. 23-27
The Sanctus and Benedictus		ASBH p. 27-28
The Lord’s Prayer		ASBH p. 29
The Verba Domini	<i>(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)</i>	ASBH p. 30

The Pax Domini	<i>(All may bow and cross themselves)</i>	ASBH p. 31
The Agnus Dei	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 31-32
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	
The Hymn	<i>“Thy Table I Approach”</i>	TLH 310
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!”</i>	TLH 199
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		ASBH p. 36
The Benedicamus		ASBH p. 37
The Benediction		ASBH p. 37
The Triple Amen	<i>(Second Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 38
The Recessional Hymn	<i>“He’s Risen, He’s Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord”</i>	TLH 198
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Easter Hymn”</i>	Heinrich Fleischer

Recitation of the Catechism

How One Should Be Taught to Pray (pages 27-29) & Questions 231-235 (Part III. The Lord’s Prayer. The Second Petition, pages 114-115).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

Δ—Indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

April 20th—The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord

10:00 a.m. Divine Service in Simpsonville, SC and Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)

April 21st—Easter Monday

4:30 p.m. Private Confession

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Peggy Holder, Patricia Wood, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Katie, Dan, Kelly, Judy Horn, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Paul Meadows, Vince Bost, Glen Madden, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Rachel Epperson, Tammy Wilson, Marlin Palm, Jamey Hochstein, Isaac Wigington, Jack Newton, Graham Hardaway, Eleanor Cannon, David Benson, Chuck Webber, and Vito Gerardi.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Richmond, MO;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Josiah Scheck.*
- That the Lord might send *Faithful Laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and our seminarians, *Duncan Geldenhuys* and *Jonathon Teo Zin Han.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Deacon and Sherrill Smithey, and Bob, Barbara, and Bobby Eisold.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially *Thomas Allred, Brennan David, and John Monahan.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially *Nicholas Silva.*
- For those celebrating a birthday this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Acts 1; St. Matthew 28:1-8	Acts 2; 1 Peter 1:3-12
Monday:	Acts 3; John 20:1-18	Acts 4; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Tuesday:	Acts 5; Matt. 28:1-15	Acts 6; Ezekiel 21:25-27
Wednesday:	Acts 7; John 20:1-18	Acts 8; Haggai 2:20-23
Thursday:	Acts 9; Luke 24:1-12	Acts 10; Zechariah 6:9-15
Friday:	Acts 11; Luke 24:36-49	Acts 12; Ezekiel 17:22-24
Saturday:	Acts 13; Mark 16:9-14	Acts 14; Isaiah 44:21-28

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Ps. 2, 57, 111, 101-102	Psalms 113, 114, 103-104
Monday:	Psalms 16, 105	Psalms 30, 106
Tuesday:	Psalms 16, 107	Psalms 30, 108-111
Wednesday:	Psalms 16, 112-115	Psalms 30, 116-118
Thursday:	Psalms 16, 119:1-40	Psalms 30, 119:41-88
Friday:	Ps. 86, 119:89-128	Psalms 86, 119:129-176
Saturday:	Psalms 16, 120-125	Psalms 21, 126-132

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, IX-XI (IV).5-10
Tuesday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XII (V).1-27
Wednesday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XII (V).28-43
Thursday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XII (V).44-58
Friday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XII (V).59-67

Reciting the Catechism Daily:

Sunday: The Ten Commandments
Monday: The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer
Tuesday: Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession
Wednesday: The Sacrament of the Altar
Thursday: The Prayers
Friday: The Table of Duties
Saturday: Christian Questions with Their Answers

Hymns for the Week:

Morning: ASBH 29—"Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

Evening: TLH 191—"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"

Calendar for the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection

Today: The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord—White

10:00 a.m. Divine Service in Simpsonville, SC and
Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)

Monday: Easter Monday—White

4:30 p.m. Private confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

**Tuesday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White
Earth Day**

**Wednesday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—
White**

Thursday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White

**Friday: The Festival of St. Mark, Evangelist/Within the Octave of the
Feast of the Resurrection—Red**

Saturday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White

1:00 p.m. Divine Service in Athens, GA

**Next Sunday: Quasi modo geniti, the Octave of the Feast of the
Resurrection of our Lord—White**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service in Simpsonville, SC
Pastor Leaves for Synod

The Lutheran Herald

The April issue of "The Lutheran Herald," the devotional booklet of the ELDoNA, is now available. It can be found on Facebook at: <http://tinyurl.com/LutheranHerald> and on the diocesan website: eldona.org. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave for your use and distribution.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"Take as an illustration the fish in the water. When they are caught in the net, you lead it quietly along, so that they imagine they are still in the water; but when you draw them to the shore, they are exposed and begin to struggle, and then they first feel they are caught. Thus it also happens with souls that are caught with the Gospel, which Christ compares with a net, Matt. 13:47. When the heart has been conquered, the Word unites this poor heart to Christ and leads it gently and quietly from hell and from sin, although the soul still feels sin and imagines to be still under its power.

Then a conflict begins, the feelings struggling against the Spirit and faith, and the Spirit and faith against our feelings; and the more faith increases, the more our feelings diminish, and vice versa. We have still sins within us, as for instance pride, avarice, anger and so forth, but only in order to lead us to faith, so that faith may increase from day to day, and the man become finally a thorough Christian and keep the true sabbath, consecrating himself to Christ entirely. Then the conscience must become calm and satisfied and all the surging waves of sin subside. For as upon the sea one billow follows and buffets the other, as though they would destroy the shore, yet they must disappear and destroy themselves, so also our sins strive against us and would fain bring us to despair, but finally they must desist, grow weary and disappear." *From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church Postil for Easter from the mid-1520s.*

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

Gospel: St. Mark 16:1-8

April 21st—Easter Monday

Epistle: Acts 10:34-41

Gospel: St. Luke 24:13-35

April 25th—The Festival of St. Mark, Evangelist

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-13

Gospel: St. John 15:1-11

April 27th—Quasi modo geniti

Epistle: 1 John 5:4-12

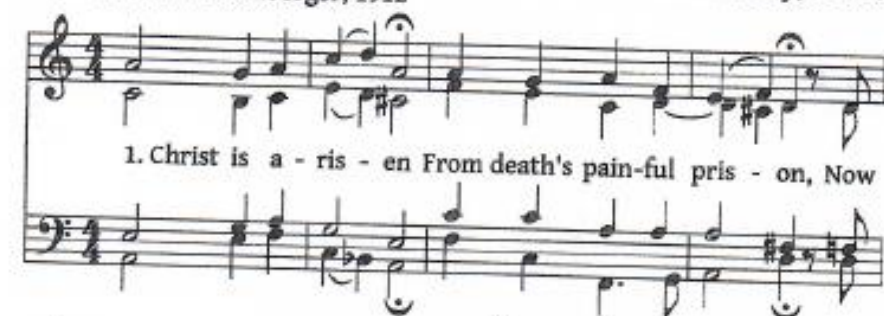
Gospel: St. John 20:19-31

Christ ist erstanden
Author unknown, c. 1100

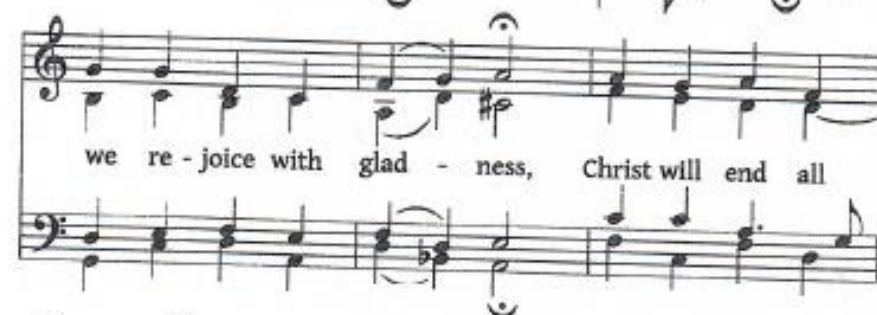
Tr., Fredrick W. Herzberger, 1912

##. Christ Is Arisen

Christ ist erstanden
Latin melody, c. 1100



1. Christ is a - ris - en From death's pain-ful pris - on, Now



we re - joice with glad - ness, Christ will end all



sad - ness, Hal - le - lu - jah! 2. All the world had



end - ed, Had Je - sus not as - cend - ed From the grave tri -



um-phant - ly, For this, Lord Christ, we hon - or Thee,



Hal - le - lu - jah! 3. Hal - le - lu - jah!



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Now we re - joice with glad - ness, Christ will end all



sad - ness, Hal - le - lu - jah! A - men.

Christians, To the Paschal Victim

Cantor



Choir



Sopranos and Altos



Solo - Woman



Choir

