



Third Sunday of Easter  
Concordia Lutheran Church  
Sunday, April 14, 2024

The world dismisses Easter like "old news." Only the fellowship of the risen celebrate the Lord's resurrection as "Good News" for 49 full days. As a way to recognize the crucified Lord is raised and walking with us, the order of Confession and Absolution is omitted. Our jubilant hearts rest on the promise of Jesus' risen presence as the sure and certain sign that God's forgiveness abides on us.



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Jubilate “Shout for Joy” Sunday



**The Preaching of Repentance and Forgiveness of Sins Makes Us Pure**

**Welcome to Concordia!**

**Vacancy Pastor Team:**

Rev. Mark Brockhoff, Emeritus (Sun. 9am)  
Rev Chris Kolupa, Assistant Pastor (Weds. 7pm)

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**Invocation and Easter Verses**

**P:** In the name of the unbegotten Father and Creator of all life; and the only begotten Son who redeems our lives from sin and death; and the Holy Spirit who proceeds from the Father and Son to sanctify us with faith, love, and hope.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Shout with jubilation, glory in His Holy Name and seek His face always, because the Lord is risen.

**C: He is risen Indeed.**

**P:** Let us be jubilant that the chains of unfaith and evil have been broken because the Lord is risen.

**C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P:** Celebrate this Easter jubilee, that God has given us the new birth as His holy people, who fear, love and trust Him above all things, because the Lord is risen.

**C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia and Amen!**

**Sharing the Lord's Peace**

## Introit

*“Joy Comes with the Morning”*

*(Spoken)*

P: In Your presence, O God, there is fullness of joy;

**C: At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

*(Sung)*

1. I will exalt You, Lord, my God,  
For You have lifted me  
Out of the depths and did not let  
My foes gloat over me.  
O Lord my God, I cried to You  
For help; and healing came;  
You brought me up from grave and pit  
And spared me from great shame.
2. Sing to the Lord, you saints of His,  
And praise His holy Name;  
His anger lasts a moment, but  
His favor will remain  
For weeping may remain all night,  
And heavy sorrow borne;  
But with the dawn returns the light;  
Rejoicing comes with morn.
3. O Christ, who shared our mortal life  
And ended death's long reign,  
Who healed the sick and raised the dead  
And bore our grief and pain:  
We know our years on earth are few,  
That death is always near.  
Come now to us, O Lord of Life;  
Bring hope that conquers fear!

*(Spoken)*

P: In Your presence, O God, there is fullness of joy;

**C: At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore**

## Easter Gloria

*“Christ is Arisen”*

**Maroon Hymnal #459**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O Heavenly Father, through the humiliation of Your Son  
You raised up the fallen world and rescued Your faithful people from the  
peril of everlasting death.

**C: We implore and ask You to impart upon us Your constant blessings  
of perpetual gladness and eternal joys.**

P: Grant this O heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ Your Son.  
C: **Who is our Lord, now risen and reigning, with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

### **The First Reading is taken from the third chapter of Acts.**

While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago." Acts 3:11–21

P: This is the word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Epistle Reading is from the third chapter of First John.**

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be

like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

1 John 3:1–7

P: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**      *The Triple Alleluia*      **Maroon Hymnal pg 190**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**C: (sung) Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

P: We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

**C: (sung) Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O risen Redeemer**

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and

forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.” Luke 24:36–49

**P:** This is the Gospel of the risen Lord.  
**C:** Praise to You, O resurrected Savior.

### **The Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Special Music**    *"Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"*    **Little Lambs Preschool**  
                          *"Praise Him, Praise Him"*  
                          *"Peace Like a River"*

### **Children's & Adults' Homily**

**Offertory Hymn**    *"With High Delight Let Us Unite"*    **Maroon Hymnal # 483**

## Gathering of Tithes and Petitions

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## Prayers of the Church

### The Order of Holy Communion

Maroon Hymnal pg 194

### This is the Feast

Maroon Hymnal pg. 171-172

### Words of Institution

P: United as Your dear children in every time and every place, chosen as loyal citizens of Your holy Kingdom, and elected as royal ambassadors of Your priesthood of believers, we pray the petitions Jesus taught us to pray....

### *The Lord's Prayer*

P: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,

**C: We proclaim the Lord's death until He comes again.**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*(Please be seated)*

### Distribution Hymn

Maroon Hymnal # 633

*"At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing"*

vs. 1, 3, 5, 7

### Easter Nunc Dimittis

1. O blessed heirs of heaven,  
You'll hear the song resound  
Of endless jubilation  
When you, with life, are crowned.  
In your right hands your Savior  
Will place the victor's palms,  
And you will thank Him gladly  
With heaven's joyful psalms.
2. Our hands and feet, Lord, strengthen  
With joy our spirits bless  
Until we see the ending  
Of all our life's distress.  
And so throughout our lifetime  
Keep us within Your care  
And at our end then bring us  
To heav'n to praise You there.

- P: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh,
- C: We thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. And we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You.**
- P: Grant this through Jesus Christ, Your Son
- C: He is our Lord and our God, now risen and reigning with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**
- P: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ, because the Lord is risen.
- C: He is risen indeed!**
- P: Let us go out to the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, because the Lord is risen.
- C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
- P: Let us take up our crosses to lovingly obey our God and sacrificially serve one another, because the Lord is risen.
- C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia and Amen!**
- P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you peace.
- C: Amen**

**Recessional Hymn**

*“He’s Risen, He’s Risen”*

**Maroon Hymnal # 480**