



Easter Sunday 2023

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*Gathering around GRACE – Growing in GRACE – Going with GRACE
In the land of gracious living*

We are part of the Wisconsin Lutheran Synod, churches throughout the world united to share Jesus.

We are part of the federation of Californian Lutheran High School here in southern California.

Whether you are a first time visitor or back at “home”, we are delighted to share our worship with you. Please come and worship with us again.

- If you would like more information about Grace Church, we would love to share. Speak with Pastor Sievert or any of our members. You may also want to check out our website www.gracelutheran.church.
- Restrooms are located across the breezeway just inside our Grace Hall.
- We love having your children in worship, even when they have a hard time sitting still! But if for any reason you would like to take your child to a quieter place, there is a nursery in the back left corner of the church.
- Coffee is available across the breezeway in the Grace Hall. Make yourself at home!





*This is a traditional
Easter greeting in
the Church.*

A dead Jesus would do no one any good. But a resurrected Jesus? That would be a game changer and make Easter the most important event that ever happened. Today God wants us to know with certainty that Jesus lives. Because if he lives, then we know we too shall live! Then we too can proclaim, "I know that my Redeemer lives! He lives!"

Our path of worship this morning is printed in this service folder. Please join in reading the responses marked with the "C" for Congregation.

Preservice music

The Easter Call to Worship

L. Christ is risen!

C. He is risen indeed!

L: This is the day the Lord has made!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L. Christ is risen!

C. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

An Easter Dialogue

L Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed!

L This is the Day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and give thanks to God for the life won by His Son's death and resurrection. It is for us that he died and it for us that he lives.

Christ died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

C Thanks be to God! Because he lives, we too shall live.

- L If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!
- L The Bible says for once you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.
- L If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God! Because he lives, we too shall live.**
- L The Bible says we were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.
- L Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?
- C Thanks be to God! Because he lives, we too shall live.**
- L In the peace and glory of Jesus resurrection, let us praise the Lord!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L Let us pray.
Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in the newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.
- C Amen.**

Choir Anthem

I Will Rise

First Reading from the Old Testament

Job 19:23-27

²³ “Oh, that my words were recorded,
that they were written on a scroll,
²⁴ that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead,
or engraved in rock forever!
²⁵ I know that my redeemer lives,
and that in the end he will stand on the earth.
²⁶ And after my skin has been destroyed,
yet in my flesh I will see God;
²⁷ I myself will see him
with my own eyes—I, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!

Response:

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C. He is risen indeed!

L. This is the day the Lord has made!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L. Christ is risen!

C. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!



After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

²There 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. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then 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.”

⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then 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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SERMON

BASED ON JOB

Prayer of the Church

L Praise be to you, our God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In your great mercy you have given us new birth into a living hope by raising Jesus Christ from the dead. Fill all Your baptized people with the joy of His victory, and give us confidence to live in such a way that proclaims,

C I know that my Redeemer lives. *(spoken)*

The hymn is introduced. Then we sing:

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.

The Blessing

L. Christ is risen!

C. He is risen indeed!

L: This is the day the Lord has made!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L. Christ is risen!

C. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L. 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.