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Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day

April 20, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Abiding Peace Lutheran Church!



Abiding Peace Lutheran Church ***makes Christ known*** by ***welcoming all people*** to a ***supportive and accepting place*** to ***grow in faith*** and community and to ***serve the Lord*** as people created by God, saved by Christ and nurtured by the Holy Spirit. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation, committed to the full inclusion and celebration of people of all sexualities, genders, and gender expressions, and to the work of racial equity.

In-person visitors are invited to share their contact information with the usher, if they would like a follow up with the pastor. Thank you for blessing us with your presence. We welcome children to worship and we encourage their participation, including their wiggles and child voices. There is a seating area at the back of the sanctuary with room for little ones to crawl around. If desired, there is also a nursery room available, accompanied by parents or guardians.

Offering: The ministry of Abiding Peace is supported by the generous donations of our community. Please consider supporting our work through a variety of giving options, including donations through Venmo (search for @Abiding-Peace-BuddLake), through on-line bill pay with your bank, mailing your offering envelope to the church, or plate giving.

Holy Communion: We commune at the altar rail. Please collect an individual cup from the usher when you come forward. We offer either wine or juice and gluten-free bread. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, the usher can bring communion to you. Those who do not receive communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed for a blessing.

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WORDS FOR REFLECTION

“The last enemy to be destroyed is death,” Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with transformative joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PRELUDE

Resurrection

Gerald Peterson

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P In the name of ☩ the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C **Amen.**

P Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Pause for reflection.

P Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a broken, lost people your own, that restore us to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that give new life to all the beloved servants who are your church, waters that strengthen believers in faithfulness, waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity, waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us identity, freedom, and peace in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia! **ELW 369**



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Chris-tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt.
 Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



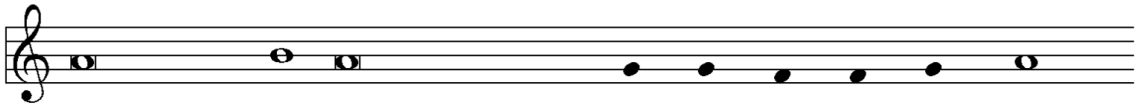
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O God,

C **you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

THE FIRST READING

Acts 10:34–43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

L A reading from Acts.

Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is	acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread
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God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24

- 17 **I shall not | die, but live
and declare the works | of the Lord.**
- 18 The Lord indeed pun- | ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o- | ver to death.
- 19 **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks | to the Lord.**
- 20 “This is the gate | of the Lord;
here the righ- | teous may enter.”
- 21 **I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me
and you have become | my salvation.**
- 22 The stone that the build- | ers rejected
has become | the chief cornerstone.
- 23 **By the Lord has | this been done;
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**
- 24 This is the day that the | Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

Paul describes the consequences of the resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God's victorious rule over all.

L A reading from 1st Corinthians.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die

in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he

must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

L The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, if you are able.

CHORAL GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ, Our Paschal Lamb (1 Cor. 5:7,8)

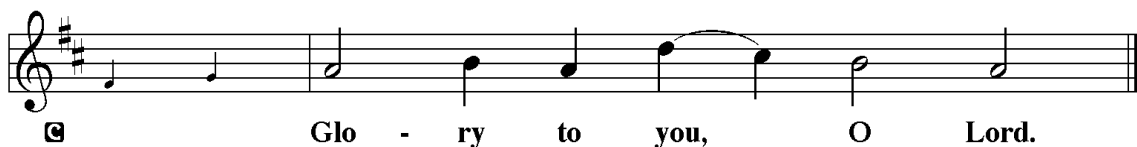
Benjamin Schroeder

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:1–12

Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.

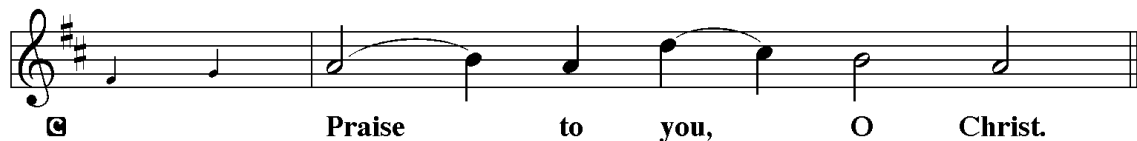
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter:



On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed 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, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of

Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows. All stand and sing the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Every Voice with Every Breath **RoTH p. 53**

1. Let ev - 'ry voice with ev - 'ry breath
2. All peo - ple, come, and join the song,
3. Still Christ is draw - ing peo - ple near,
sing of Christ's tri - umph o - ver death:
now Jew and Gen - tile both be - long:
still love is raised a - bove our fear.
O Love—how deep, how high, how broad—
Christ rose to make di - vi - sions cease—
As Christ in - vites the lost and least,
that rec - on - ciles the world to God.
and join all na - tions by his peace.
all guests are wel - come at this feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! O
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Christ
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! As

Love—how deep, how high, how broad, al - le -
 rose to make di - vi - sions cease, al - le -
 Christ in - vites the lost and least, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, that rec - on -
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 wel - come at this feast!

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CONFESSION OF FAITH *(Based on Philippians 2:1–11)*

C We believe in God, the Creator, who has existed from the beginning with Christ Jesus and the Holy Spirit through whom we know God's glory.

We believe in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not consider being equal with God something to exploit. But he emptied himself by taking on the form of a slave and by becoming like human beings. When he found himself in the form of a human, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God highly honored and exalted him and gave him a name above all names, so that, at the name of Jesus, everyone in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth might bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom the whole church is united in love and empowered in humility to look out for the well-being of others. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Silence is kept for reflection.

A God of eternal life, trusting in the promises of the resurrection, we remember with thanksgiving our beloved dead. Sustain us with a living hope until we are reunited with them and all the saints at the heavenly banquet. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

A God of truth, kindle new life in your church. Encourage all who seek creative ways to share the good news of Christ's hope-giving resurrection and transforming love. Bless and protect mission developers and new ministries, especially those serving immigrant communities, that their work may plant seeds that flourish. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

A God of beauty, nourish new life in all of creation. Shower forests and grasslands, deserts, and mountains with life-giving rains and sunshine in good measure. Grant us delight in your glory that shows forth in all that grows this season. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

A God of justice, empower new life among the nations. As you raised Jesus from the dead, bring new hope for peace and reconciliation in places of war and strife, including Ukraine, Palenstine, Sudan, and Yemen. Raise up leaders who are steadfast in their commitment to transformation of entrenched patterns of conflict and to ensuring justice for all people. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

A God of strength, birth a new life of hope among all who are in need, especially neighbors without homes or food, and those whose safety is at risk. Bring healing to all who are fearful, ill, or grieving, and raise up protection for all whose human rights are under assault. We pray for all who are mourning and for all on our prayer list, including Tara, George, Sibylle, Leslie, Hailey, Kate, Dawn, Elle & Heinz, Ellen, Vicki, Carol, Mary Lee & Steve, and Darrell. *(Pause to allow additional prayers to be offered.)* We pray for all in harm's way, including essential workers, our armed forces, and all serving overseas. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

A God of wisdom, awaken new life in this place. Open our hearts to ways you are calling us to be at work in the world and our community in service and in advocacy. Give us courage to boldly share your love for all people beyond our walls. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

A We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The Ministers and People share the sign of peace. Afterward, please be seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THE OFFERING

Now we join Christians all over the world in worshiping God through the giving of our financial resources, in recognition and thanksgiving that all we have comes from God.

P Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

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CHOIR ANTHEM

God Was in Jesus
arr. Karl Kroeger

Text: 1 Cor. 5:19 and Johann Rist, tr. Karl Kroeger
Music: Johannes Herbst



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Let the vine- yards be fruit- ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles- sing. Gath- er a har- vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath- er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your

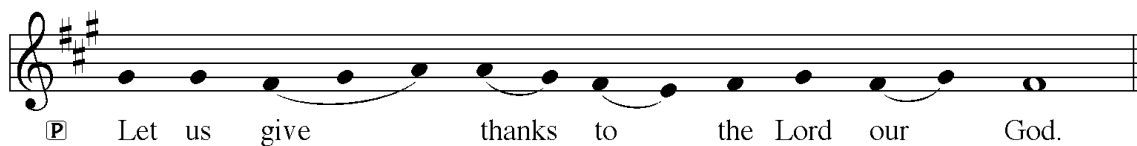
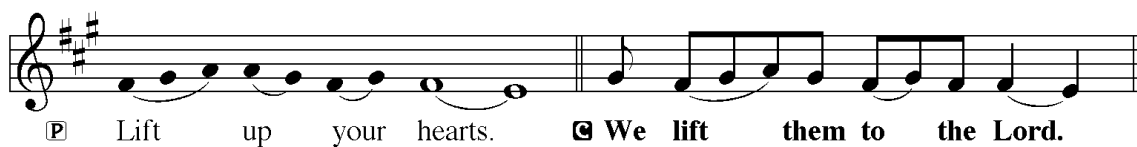


pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

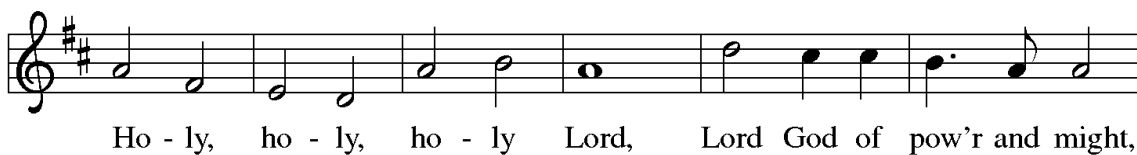
A Let us pray. Risen One,

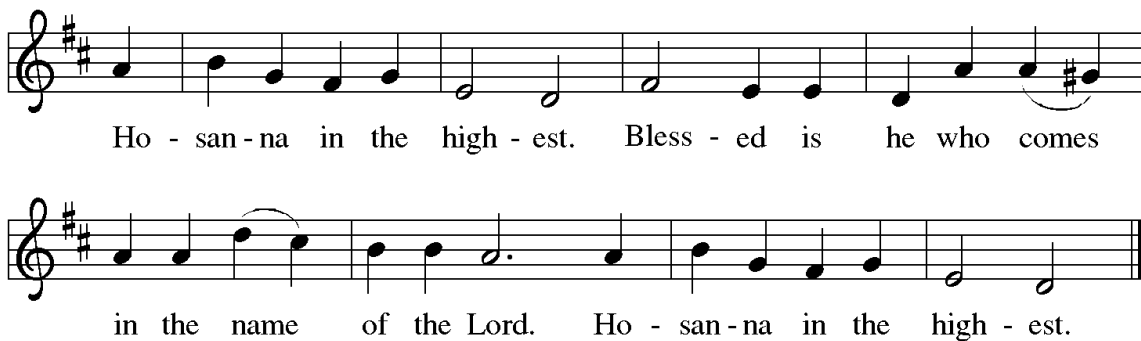
C you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Remind us that you are present with us, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Pascal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





P Holy, just, and merciful God, new birth for creation broke forth upon us in Jesus. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. In these acts of love and justice, we see the birth of our call as church to be of the mind as Christ Jesus, emptying ourselves and looking out for the well-being of others.

On the night when he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

Wherever there is suffering, Jesus suffers alongside. Therefore, we proclaim this truth: Death is part of life.

C Christ has died.

P But death will not have the last word.

C Christ has risen!

P And suffering will end.

C Christ will come again...

P ...and again and again, every time suffering is alleviated, comfort is given, food is offered, hope is restored. God of grace, pour out your Holy Spirit on this body gathered here, on our union with each other, and on these gifts of bread and cup. May we become your body for the sake of a world where justice rolls down like an ever-flowing stream.

C All praise to God, Creator of Love! All praise to Jesus, Love Incarnate! All praise to Spirit, Love in Action!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C 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.

Please be seated.

P Come to the table of Grace.

C We receive the gift of new life.

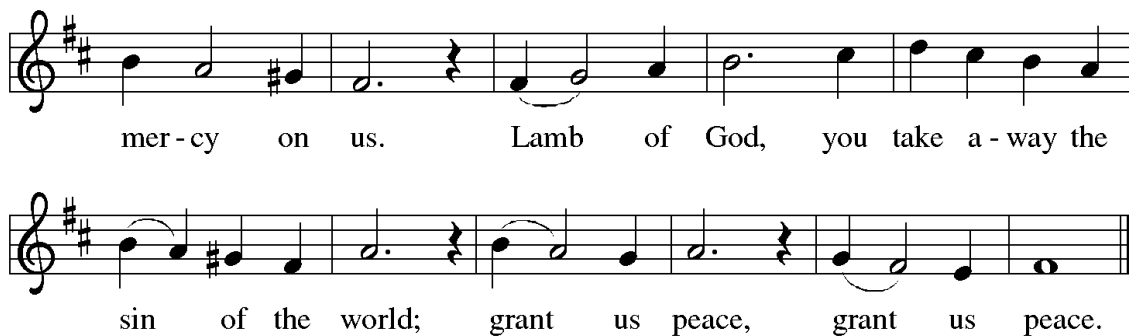
You will be invited to come forward to the altar rail, collecting a cup from the usher. Please hold your hand flat for the bread and raise your cup for the chalice bearer to pour. You may leave your cup in the basket in the front row when you return to your seat. If you wish to receive a prayer of blessing, you may wait at the right side of altar rail, after receiving the sacrament.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



COMMUNION HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today! **ELW 373**



- 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to-day!" All on earth with an-gels say;
- 2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat-tle won.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.
- 4 Lives a-gain our glo-rious king! Where, O death, is now your sting?



raise your joys and tri-umphs high; sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re-ply.
Lo! The sun's e-clipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Death in vain for-bids his rise; Christ has o-pened par-a-dise.
Once he died our souls to save; where your vic-to-ry, O grave?

- 5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.
Thee we greet triumphant now:
hail, the resurrection, thou!
- 6 King of glory, soul of bliss,
everlasting life is this:
thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,
thus to sing, and thus to love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS, Pierre de Corbeil, d. 1222

Stand, if you are able.

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

C **Amen.**

A Living One,

C In this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

THE BENEDICTION

P The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ☩ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! **ELW 382**

All stand, as able, and sing.



- 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- turns 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!



Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

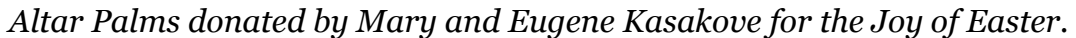
A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

A Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude on ORIENTIS PARTIBUS

Pierre de Corbeil
arr. Henry J. Markworth



Flowers for Easter were donated by:

*Ursula Schroeder in memory of Loni
and her father.*

*Maria Jerez-Kearney in honor of
Elena Soriano, Danny Hamel, Cesar
Jerez.*

*The Carlsons in honor of the Hansons,
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*Roy Persson in honor of the founders of
Abiding Peace, past and present.*

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*Pastor Serena, in gratitude for the love
and faithfulness of the congregation of
Abiding Peace.*

*Benjamin Schroeder & Robert Bowden
in memory of Evelyn Bowden and
Michael Schroeder.*

*Christine Resciniti in remembrance of
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Virginia Schwier, Sue Schwier, George
& Cecile Charest, Normand Charest,
Rejeane Charest, Paul Gianni, and
Etienne Charest.*

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Next Week's Lessons:

Acts 5:27-32

Psalms 118:14-29

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20: 19-31

Serving in Worship		
	Today, April 20	Next Week, April 27
Altar Guild	Mary Kasakove	Mary Kasakove
Counter	George Pawlo	Sandy Carlson
Assistant Minister	Sue Stirrat	Demetria Laird
Lector	Roy Persson	Maria Jerez
Communion Assist.	Sibylle Schroeder	Mary Kasakove
Usher/Greeter/Acolyte	Cindy Pawlo	Doug Laird
Soloist	Erin Porter	TBA
Livestream Assistant	Tyler Rice	Ray Mueller

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Serena: Pastor Serena will be on vacation this week. For any pastoral emergencies, please contact Pr. Julie Haspel: 774-526-1331

Erin Porter: Thursday 12:00-3:00

Keep These Friends in Your Prayers:

Those who are sick or in need: Bill Phinney, Joshua Olsen, Jon, Cheryl Inglin, Judy Consentino, Jon & Maria, Sandy Kahler, Karen Qualls, Jim Tangen, Otto Schroeder, Don Larsen, Joseph Horn, Ryan Manhardt, Grace Bessasparis, Jackson Cook, Donna Fahy, Jeanne Scalora, Valeriy Braginets, Jennifer Kahler, Mark Dennis, John Corneilson, Karen & Ken Predmore and family, David Breault, Charles Wetzell, Patricia Coats, Alia Duffy, Aimee Nilsen, Lydia Millner, Dean Kowal, April Inglin, Bella Adams, Bodhi Maslow, Barbara P, Susan & William Swainy, Scott Schaefer, Audrey Moehringer, Tara Woodard-Lehman, George Schroeder, Sibylle Scheiermann, Leslie Picinich, Hailey Ochs Plante, Kate Draven, Dawn Huber, Elle & Heinz and family, Ellen Parker, Vicki Gentler, Carol Baker, Mary Lee & Steve Fenster, Darrell Senior.

Those in mourning: The friends and family of Kenneth Johanson; the friends and family of Harold Olsen; The Persson Family on the loss of Carrin (daughter of Jan, sister of Krista); The family of Woody Woodruff; The family of Cecile Hopkins; The loved ones of Charlie Bertz (friend of Sibylle's); The family of Papa Joe (Christine's father); The Schroeder & Zwicker families (for the loss of Michael, his mother Elisabeth, and Sibyller's mother and father Margret and Rolf); The friends and family of Nancy Appel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **Church office hours:** Pastor Serena generally holds office hours on Thursdays and Sundays. She is also available for pastoral care by phone, zoom or other means on other days (Saturday is her day off). If you have a need to access the church building, please contact Pastor Serena.

~ **Food Pantry Needs for April:** Peanut butter, Parmalat milk, fruit, juice, hot-dogs & buns, frozen meatballs, mashed potatoes, rice, crackers, cake mixes, gluten free pasta.

~ **Altar Flowers:** Please consider signing up for altar flower donations. Price: \$17.50. If interested send an email to Erin Porter with your dedication and date you want the flowers on the Altar and send your check to the church.

~ **Interested in hosting a coffee hour?** Not hard. Just bring some store bought baked goods. Coffee is already prepared ahead of time by the Altar Guild. Questions: Call Demetria Laird at 973-398-9614.

ART, MUSIC, AND LITURGY

Art: St John's Bible. <https://ecumenicus.blogspot.com/2015/04/when-jesus-appears-to-mary-magdala-in.html>

Music: Unless otherwise noted, music is reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-700457 and CCLI #2840035.

Liturgy:

This week at Abiding Peace

Sunday, April 20:

- Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. - In-person and Live-streamed
- Easter Brunch, 11:00 a.m.

Monday, April 21:

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Tuesday, April 22:

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Wednesday, April 23:

- Unfinished Objects Gathering, 2:00 p.m.
- AA meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 24:

- Pride Mt Olive planning meeting at Senior Center, 7:00 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 25:

Saturday, April 26:

Next week at Abiding Peace

Sunday, April 27:

- Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. - In-person and Live-streamed
- Fellowship time, 11:00 a.m.
- Newsletter deadline.

Monday, April 28:

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Tuesday, April 29:

- Planning meeting for Interfaith Vigil for Immigrant Neighbors, 3:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30:

- AA meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 1:

- Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 2:

Saturday, May 3:

Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 10, 2:00 p.m. - **It's Our Issue Too: Interfaith Vigil for Immigrant Neighbors**

Sunday, May 25, 1:00 p.m. - **Walk for Compassion (Mt Olive Clergy Association)**

Sunday, June 8, 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - **Pride Party at Turkey Brook Park**

For all live-streamed services, click (or type) the link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/AbidingPeaceChurch/live>