

✠ **CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH** ✠
CONOVER, NC
EASTER DAY, 2019

PRELUDE

Varsity Brass

At 7:00: *We gather at the columbarium.*

At 11:00: *We stand and face the rear of the nave.*

P In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

C He is the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega.

P By His wounds we have been healed.

C May the light of Christ, who is risen from the dead, scatter all darkness.

P All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.

C The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

EASTER GOSPEL

St. Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek 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 delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

*During the words "He has risen" the Christ candle is lit.

P Obeying His command, we make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them

C in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

P We also were buried with Christ by baptism into death –

C That as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the
Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN “I Know that My Redeemer Lives” 461

(All) I know that my Redeemer lives!

What comfort this sweet sentence gives!

He lives, he lives, who once was dead;

He lives, my everliving head!

(All) He lives triumphant from the grave;

He lives eternally to save;

He lives all glorious in the sky,

He lives exalted there on high.

(All) He lives to bless me with his love;

He lives to plead for me above;

He lives my hungry soul to feed;

He lives to help in time of need.

(Women and girls) He lives to grant me rich supply;

He lives to guide me with his eye;

He lives to comfort me when faint;

He lives to hear my soul’s complaint.

(Men and boys) He lives, my kind, wise, heav’nly friend;

He lives and loves me to the end;

He lives, and while he lives, I’ll sing;

He lives, my Prophet, Priest and King!

(All) He lives, all glory to his name!

He lives, my Jesus, still the same;

Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives

I know that my Redeemer lives!

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

P The stone has been rolled away.

C The tomb is empty.

P The women have told the disciples.

C The disciples have come to see.

P The Lord lives,

C Never to die again.

P The victory has been won.

C Death has been defeated.

P The stone has been rolled away.

C Our faith is built on this foundation.

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

HYMN OF PRAISE “This is the Feast”



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



C 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. 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.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

C Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

We sit.

✠ WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷“Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,
and her people to be a gladness.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping
and the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not fill out his days,
for the young man shall die a hundred years old,
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,
and their descendants with them.

²⁴Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;
the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
and dust shall be the serpent’s food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,”
says the LORD.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM “Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord” arr. Raney
Alleluia, alleluia, shout for joy loud and long;
Alleluia, alleluia, sing to God a glorious new song.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name!

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name!

Spread the good news o’er all the earth; Jesus has died and has risen!
We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever.
Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to the Savior.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name!

Alleluia, alleluia, sing to God a glorious new song!

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” 465

Choir sings st. 3

We stand.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We sit.

OFFERING “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” Dobrinski
Handbell Choir

✠ **THE SACRAMENT** ✠

We stand.

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

A It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER

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PASSING OF THE EASTER PEACE

A The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI



☐ 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 mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

We sit.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Christ is Risen! Christ is Alive!” Wren/Larson

Christ is risen! Sing alleluia! Celebrate this day of days.

Sing aloud your hymns of gladness; sing your joyous hymns of praise!

Christ is risen! Sing alleluia! King of kings whom we adore.

Death is conquered, sin is defeated. Jesus lives forevermore.

Where, O grave, is your victory? Where, O death, is your evil sting?

Christ is risen, He is risen! He's risen from the dead.

Congregation joins to sing:

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

The cross stands empty to the sky.

Let streets and homes with praises ring.

Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive and comes to bring

Good news to this and every age;

Till earth and sky and ocean ring

With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

“Because He Lives”

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus;
 He came to love, heal, and forgive;
 He lived and died to buy my pardon,
 An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Refrain:

Because He lives I can face tomorrow;
 Because He lives all fear is gone;
 Because I know He holds the future,
 And life is worth the living just because He lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
 And feel the pride, and joy He gives;
 But greater still the calm assurance,
 This child can face uncertain days because He lives. *Refrain*

And then one day I’ll cross the river;
 I’ll fight life’s final war with pain;
 And then as death gives way to vict’ry,
 I’ll see the lights of glory and I’ll know He lives. *Refrain*

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-

es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A We give thanks to You, risen Savior, for Your body and blood, for the forgiveness of our sin, and Your victory over sin and death. We thank You that You have saved us. Fill our hearts with the joy of sins forgiven as we represent You and live for You in our daily lives. We pray in Your name, O Christ.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

A Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C Amen.

A The Almighty God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

A Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

RECESSIONAL HYMN “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” 457

POSTLUDE “Gigue, from Sonata in C” Albinoni/arr. Hickman

Our thanks to the Varsity Brass for assisting in worship today.