The Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024
Welcome to Gloria Dei!

The name *Gloria Dei* is a Latin phrase meaning *God’s glory*. We pray that here you will find his glory and love chiefly revealed in our Savior Jesus. May your time in worship be edifying and enable you to focus on Jesus as the solution to your sin and as the certainty of eternal life in heaven.

Should you need a **restroom** during the service, you will find them in the Fellowship Hall directly beneath the sanctuary.

If you need anything during the service, please speak to one of the ushers.

**To Those Visiting with Children**

The members of Gloria Dei believe that families should be able to worship together. It is clear that some amount of noise will come with children being in worship. Any noise children make in worship is the sound of families doing what God has told them to do: bringing their children to sit at Jesus’ feet. Should your family need a few moments away from the sanctuary, the Fellowship Hall located directly beneath the sanctuary is open and equipped with a closed circuit TV of the service.
The Theme of Today’s Worship

It would not be productive to look for help in a cemetery. A corpse can do only one thing—rot. This is the source of the crushing sorrow Jesus’ followers felt. He was the one in whom they had placed all their hope for a better reality. Now he was dead, so they thought. They were overwhelmed with sorrow, not just because they missed their friend. It now all seemed so pointless: the years and miles following Jesus, witnessing his miracles, listening to him. He was dead! And a corpse can only do one thing. The resurrection changed everything. The disciples saw clearly that Jesus is who he said he was and did what he said he’d do. They realized their faith rested on a rock-solid foundation. Here is the resurrection reality. If Christ had not been raised, our faith in him would be futile. He could do nothing to help us. But Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister & Preacher .......................................................... Pastor Timothy Shrimpton
Organist ................................................................................................................. Kathy Lee
Ushers ....................................................................................................................... Mark Baushke and Tim Mann

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Easter Festival Worship

Hymn

438 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Tune: Lyra Davidica, London, 1708
Text and tune: Public domain

1 Jesus Christ is ris’n to-day, Al-le-lu-ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
3 But the pains which he endured, Al-le-lu-ia!
4 Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!

our triumphant holy day, Al-le-lu-ia!
unto Christ, our heav’nly King, Al-le-lu-ia!
our salvation have procured; Al-le-lu-ia!
praise eternal as his love; Al-le-lu-ia!

who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!
who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia!
now above the sky he’s King, Al-le-lu-ia!
praise him, all you heav’nly host, Al-le-lu-ia!

suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!
sinners to redeem and save. Al-le-lu-ia!
where the angels ever sing. Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia!
Please stand

**Responsive Verses**

Christ is risen!
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

On this festive Easter Day, we worship in the name of the only true God: Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
**Amen.**

Sing to the **LORD** a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
**His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**

The **LORD** has made his salvation known,
**And revealed his righteousness to the nations.**

He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel.
**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

Shout for joy to the **LORD**, all the earth,
**Burst into jubilant song with music.**

Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
**The world, and all who live in it.**

Let the rivers clap their hands.
**Let the mountains sing together for joy.**

Let them sing before the **LORD**, for he comes to judge the earth.
**He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.**

Christ is risen!
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Psalm 88:1-4, 7-9*
Confession*

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just**

- and will forgive us our sins
- and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

- I am sinful by nature
  - and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
- I have not loved you with my whole heart;
- I have not loved others as I should.
  - I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
- **But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**
  - with his innocent suffering and death.
  - Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Absolution

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.‡

Amen.

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* We are born into this world with a deep need for confession. We come as sinners before the holy God who demands perfection from us. We come asking for his forgiveness, trusting in his promises to forgive us for the sake of Jesus' life and death in our place.

† To “atone” is to put to separated parties back “at one” with each other. By his death, Jesus covered over our sin and put sinful mankind back at one with our Creator. See 1 John 2:2.

‡ [Jesus said,] “Whenever you forgive people’s sins, they are forgiven. Whenever you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven…. Amen I tell you: Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven” (John 20:23, Matthew 18:18).
Hymn of Praise

Saints, Behold, the Sight Is Glorious

Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal (1993, #216)


1 Saints, be - hold! The sight is glo - rious— See the
man of sor - rows now, From the fight re - turned vic -
tro - phies Je - sus brings; On the seat of pow’r en -
thus the Sav - ior’s claim; Saints and an - gels crowd a -
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tro - phies Je - sus brings; On the seat of pow’r en -
thus the Sav - ior’s claim; Saints and an - gels crowd a -

2 Crown the Sav - ior! An - gels, crown him! Rich the
to - rious! Ev - ’ry knee to him shall bow. Crown
throne him While the vault of heav - en rings. Crown
round him, Proud to glo - ri - fy his name. Crown
sta - tion; Oh, what joy be - yond all words! Crown

3 Sin - ners in de - ri - sion crowned him, Mock - ing

4 Hark, those bursts of ac - cla - ma - tion! Hark, those
him! Crown him! Crowns be - come the vic - tor’s brow.
him! Crown him! Crown the Sav - ior King of kings!
him! Crown him! Spread a - broad the vic - tor’s fame.
him! Crown him! King of kings and Lord of lords!
The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

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 newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Job 19:23–27

By faith Job knew that because the Redeemer lives, even though Job would die and his body would decay, he would see his God with his own eyes in the resurrection.

Oh how I wish that my words were written down.
Oh how I wish that they were inscribed in bronze,
that they would be engraved in rock forever
with an iron tool and letters filled with lead.
As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the end of time he will stand over the dust.
Then, even after my skin has been destroyed,
nevertheless, in my own flesh I will see God.
I myself will see him.
My own eyes will see him, and not as a stranger.
My emotions are in turmoil within me.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Choir Anthem

1 How can it be, the One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice, to conquer ev’ry sting of death? Sing, sing “Hallelujah!”

2 For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ’s disciples lift their eyes. Alive he stands, their friend and King; Christ, Christ, he is risen! Christ is risen, he is risen indeed! Oh, sing “Hallelujah!” Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: “Christ is risen, he is risen indeed.”

3 Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw him and their hearts believed. But blest are those who have not seen, yet sing “Hallelujah!”

4 Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and pow’r of grace and pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting. Christ is risen, he is risen indeed! Oh, sing “Hallelujah!” Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: “Christ is risen, he is risen indeed.”

5 The pow’r that raised him from the grave now works in us to pow’rf’lly save. He frees our hearts to live his grace; go, tell of his goodness. Christ is risen, he is risen indeed! Oh, sing “Hallelujah!” Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: “Christ is risen, he is risen indeed.”

Text: Ed Cash, b. 1971; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Second Reading

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1 Corinthians 15:19–26

Christ gives us hope in this life. But Christ’s resurrection gives us hope also for the eternal life that is to come.

If our hope in Christ applies only to this life, we are the most pitiful people of all.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came by a man, the resurrection of the dead also is going to come by a man. For as in Adam they all die, so also in Christ they all will be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ as the firstfruits and then Christ’s people, at his coming. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has done away with every other ruler and every other authority and power.
25 For he must reign “until he has put all his enemies under his feet.” 26 Death is the last enemy to be done away with.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

**Gospel Acclamation**  
*Psalm 118:24*

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**Mark 16:1–8**

*Early Easter morning, an angel explains to the women why they won’t find Jesus’ corpse in the tomb.*

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so they could go and anoint Jesus. 2 Very early on the first day of the week, at sunrise, they went to the tomb. 3 They were saying to each other, “Who will roll the stone away from the entrance to the tomb for us?” 4 When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away.

5 As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. 6 He said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the
place where they laid him. 7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.’ ”

8 They went out and hurried away from the tomb, trembling and perplexed. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

440 Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands

Christ Jesus lay in death’s strong bands for our of -

1. Christ Jesus lay in death’s strong bands for our of -
2. No son of man could conquer death, such ru - in
3. Christ Jesus, God’s own Son, came down, his peo - ple
4. It was a strange and dreadful strife when life and

fenses given; but now at God’s right hand he
sin had wrought us. No innocence was found on
to deliver; destroying sin, he took the
death contended. The victory remained with

stands and brings us life from heaven.
earth, and therefore death had brought us
crown from death’s pale brow for ever.
life, the reign of death was ended.

Therefore let us joyful be and sing to
into bondage from of old and ever
Stripped of pow’r, no more it reigns; an empty
Holy Scripture plainly saith that death is
Here the true Paschal Lamb we see,
whom God so freely gave us;
he died on the accursèd tree—
so strong his love—to save us.

See, his blood now marks our door;
faith points to it; death passes o’er,
and Satan cannot harm us.
Alleluia, alleluia!

God grew more strong and bold
form a lone remains;
swallowed up by death;
its sting is dis-graced, it

So let us keep the festival
to which the Lord invites us;
Christ is himself the joy of all,
the sun that warms and lights us.

Now his grace to us imparts
eternal sunshine to our hearts;
the night of sin is ended.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Then let us feast this Easter Day
on Christ, the bread of heaven;
the Word of grace has purged away
the old and evil leaven.

Christ alone our souls will feed;
he is our meat and drink indeed;
faith lives upon no other!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Sermon

What Words Are Worth Preserving?

Job 19:23–27

Please stand

Confession of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
    maker of heaven and earth,
    of all that is,
    seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
    eternally begotten of the Father,
    God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
    begotten, not made,
    of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
    was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
    and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
    and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
    and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
    the Lord, the giver of life,
    who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

* The Nicene Creed was originally adopted by the Council of Nicea in 325 AD and has been a widely used confession of faith throughout Christendom since that time. Its chief purpose was to confess the Christian faith while defending the truth of Jesus’ divinity against the teachings of Arianism which claim that Jesus is not true God.
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty and merciful God, on this glorious day we rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Increase our faith that the message of the empty tomb may fill our lives and make us glad each day.

When we are weak, be our strength; when we are sad, be our song; and when we sin, be our salvation.

Remove the hurt of death from all who mourn. In moments of grief call believers through the voice of our Good Shepherd and embolden us to follow his promises. In their hopelessness of despair turn the faithless to trust in the only Way, Truth, and Life. Wipe away tears born of death and give new birth to a living hope in the hearts of the lost and troubled. Use our witness as compassion and comfort for others in need of mercy.

King of kings and Lord of lords, destroy all dominion, authority, and power that stands against you, whether seen or unseen. Whatever evil exerts itself against your saving will—false teaching or lukewarm faith, Satan’s lies or worldly pleasures, empty worship or futile religion—rule it for the sake of the gospel’s free course. Triumph over our enemies and empower the Church to fight the good fight to the end. Never leave us or forsake us.

Walk among our churches, O Living One, as the faithful witness and firstborn from the dead. As your angel sent women with news of the risen Christ, call women in our church to announce, “He is risen!” As you sent your disciples with the breath of the Spirit, call those in our church to administer the keys of the kingdom.
Wherever we live and whatever we do, help us to be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks us to give the reason for the hope that we have in Christ.

Heavenly Father keep the baptized united with your Son in his resurrection. Put to death the fleshly urges of those caught in addictions, clothe in your righteousness anyone ashamed of good intentions which have fallen short, and assure those searching for purpose that their eternal identity as your dear children is sealed.

**Thank you for the power of baptism working in our lives, and for the certainty of its promises through the resurrection. Enrich us with everything we need for life and godliness.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

_Silent prayer_

O Lord of life, you have done mighty things for us! We pray through him who is the Beginning and the End, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**His name is above every name, to the glory of God the Father! Amen.**

**Offering**

The members of Gloria Dei give their offerings out of thanks to God for his unending love. These offerings are used to support our work locally and around the world. Our guests may give, but should not feel compelled to do so. If you wish to give a gift electronically, please visit [www.gdluth.org/giving](http://www.gdluth.org/giving) or scan the code to the right.

If you are a guest with us today, please fill out the “Connection Card” in the racks at the end of each pew and leave the card with an usher, in the offering plate, or with the pastor.
1 I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort draws my soul to Thee?
2 He lives triumphant from the grave; he lives to heal my sorrows deep;
3 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to fill my heart with peace;
4 He lives to grant me rich supply; he lives to make my wants subsist.

5 He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe away my tears;
6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav’nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end;

7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death;
8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same.

He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!
Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessing*

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.

Amen.

* The closing blessing of the service follows the pattern of the blessing that God gave to his Old Testament people in Numbers 6:22-27.
Closing Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal (1993, #341)

1 Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;
Crown him the King to whom is given The wondrous name of Love.

2 Crown him the Lord of love— Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In music but its own.

3 Crown him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o’er the grave
And rose victorious from the strife For beauty glorified.

4 Crown him the Lord of heav’n, Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is given The wondrous name of Love.
crowns  As thrones before him fall; Crown him, ye
sings    Of him who died for thee, And hail him
sky      Can duly bear that sight, But downward
sings    Who died and rose on high, Who died e-
crowns  As thrones before him fall; Crown him, ye
kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.

as thy matchless King Through all eternity.
bends his wondering eye At mysteries so bright.
ternal life to bring And lives that death may die.
kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.
Calendar & Announcements

Sunday
Potluck Easter Breakfast........................................................................................................9:00 am
Children’s Egg Hunt ..................................................................................................................10:00 am
Easter Worship......................................................................................................................10:30 am
*No Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, or Catechism Class*

Tuesday
In-Person Midweek Bible Class [Luke]..................................................................................10:30 am
Bible Information Class...........................................................................................................4:00 pm
Online Midweek Bible Class [Luke].....................................................................................7:30 pm

Thursday
Senior Care Center Worship Service [The Abigail, Redwood City].................................10:00 am
Member Care Committee Meeting.......................................................................................7:00 pm

Next Sunday
Sunday School [Grades PreK-5th] and Bible Class [Romans].............................................9:15 am
Worship.................................................................................................................................10:30 am
Coffee Hour...........................................................................................................................11:30 am
Choir Practice.........................................................................................................................12:00 pm
Catechism Class....................................................................................................................12:00 pm

Bible Information Classes Available
If you are new to the Christian faith, new to Gloria Dei, or just want to review what the Bible teaches, Pastor Shrimpton offers Bible Information Classes as requested to review the teachings of the Bible. If you would like more information on these classes, please email Pastor Shrimpton at pastor@gdluth.org.
Every Member Visits
Pastor Shrimpton is making a new round of visits and would like to touch base with each member family in the congregation. These visits can take place in your home, at church, at a coffee shop, or online—whatever would be easiest and best for you and your family. You should have received an email early in the week with a link to schedule these visits, but you can also scan the code at the right to do so from your mobile device. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor.

Text Messages Reminders from Gloria Dei
We have added the ability to send out brief text message reminders ahead of worship services, classes, or meetings as a light reminder. Those that are already signed up have said they really appreciate it as a way to stay connected to the events of the congregation, and through that, our Savior’s Word. To register you can go to this address (http://gdluth.360members.com/opt-in/texting) or scan the code to the right. Let Pastor Shrimpton know if you have any questions.
Service and Sermon Notes
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