



The Day of Resurrection – Sunrise Service – 6:30 a.m.

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Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. With Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, we may feel astonished and confused, unsure of what to make of the empty tomb. But this is why we gather: to proclaim, witness, praise, and affirm the liberating reality of Christ's death and resurrection. In word and feast, we celebrate God's unending love, and depart to share this good news with all the world. Alleluia!

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

This day dawns brightly!

Hope is restored!

Christ is risen!

He has conquered death!

Come, open your hearts and spirits to the joyous Good News!

Let us celebrate the greatest victory of all time! Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus 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 en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, 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.

WORD

Easter Gospel Reading: Mark 16:1-8

A reading from the Gospel of St. Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
 4 Christ closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound-ed you, from death's sting free your

tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909
 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

PRAYER

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Loving God, we pray for this community of faith (*name/s may be spoken here*) and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as our Lord taught.

**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.**

SENDING

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds in praise of love that
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, there - fore our heart with
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; set heart and will on
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring and with the heav'n - ly



still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
things a - bove that we con - quer through your tri - umph;
bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!"



Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song
Now still he comes to give us life and by his pres -
grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day that by our lives
Be to the Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest,



of glo - ry here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
ence stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
we tru - ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
most ho - ly God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt.
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN. *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Thank you to our musicians this morning:

Larry Hahn, Trumpet

Conner Weidman, Trumpet

Sue Hartney, Keyboard

2024 EASTER TRIBUTES

Flowers

In honor of:

Our grandchildren: Aiden, Lucas, Adrianna, Joseph
Teodoro, Jameson, Hope
Our Dad, Elwood (Sonny) Laudenslager
Bruce & Louise Stettler
Our granddaughter, Harriet
Our grandson, Brooks
Our granddaughters, Charlotte, Quinn & Josie
Rita Reinhart
Our children & grandchildren
Children & Grandchildren

In memory of

Paul & Christine Heist
Our beautiful mom, Lucille Laudenslager
Lucille Laudenslager
Our parents: Dr. Hagen & Gertrude Staack and
Robert & Charlotte Heilman
Lori Farkas
Olive A. Wood
Sherwood & Dorothy Rabenold
William & Marilyn Supp
Our son, John & our Parents
Mother, Diane Stettler
Donna Fertich
Gerald Fredericks
Grandparents, Roy & Anna Hahn
grandchildren
Husband, Clint Trumbauer
Benjamin Heist
The Dravuschaks
Rich Boyer
Holly Marie Laudenslager
Mother, Jane Laudenslager
Wayne Cardoni
William & Mary Lutterschmidt
Tom & Anne Daniels
Departed Loved Ones
Baby daughter, Paul & Betty Gearhart (parents)
Walt & Doris German
John Reinhart
To the glory of God & in loving memory of the
Anderson & Weber families
William A. Shafer III
Diane Stettler



Given by:

Robert & Christiane Heilman
Teresa, Stephen, Karen
Jenny & Robin & families
John & Karen Boardman
John & Karen Boardman
MuMu and Pop Pop Daniels
Denise & Peter Reinhart
Pastor Dody & Jim Siegfried
Mamma, Mormor & Farmor

Given by:

Summer & Emma Kozy
Teresa, Stephne, Karen
Loving husband always, Elwood/Sonny

Robert & Christiane Heilman
Clarence & Sandra Hoffman & family
Son, John Weremedic
Rabenold Family
David & Carol Rabenold & Barbara Supp
Howard & Shirley Schneider
Daughters, Jenny & Robin & families
Terry Gannon
Doug & Carol Fay
Their loving grandchildren & great-

Wife, Arlene & Trumbauer family
Heist family
Daughter
Julie Boyer
Parents, Jeff & Rose Laudenslager
Jeff & Rose Laudenslager
Wife, Gayle
Daniels family
Daniels family
Daniels family
Bill & Phyllis German
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Denise & Peter Reinhart

Sue & Bill Weber
Wife, Ruth, Sons & families
Bruce, Louise & family

LeRoy & Dorothy Stettler
Herman & Olga Herb
Merril L. Leonard, Jr.
Rev. Lloyd & Martha Sheneman
Becky Leonard
Husband, John D. Kuhns
Nancy (Kuhns) McClendon
Brother, Lovey Hersh
Flo Adams, John Prazko
Brother, Dave Siegfried
Our parents, Ethel & Pete Siegfried, Roger Miller
Mrs. Lori Kocher (sister)
Nicole
Loved Ones

Bruce, Louise & family
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Kathy & Bruce Leonard
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Carol J. Kuhns
Daughter, Maria
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Jim & Pastor Dody Siegfried
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Sandie & Durward Hamil, Erich, Christopher &

Larry & Donna Hahn

Hunger Fund

In memory of:

Jean Cydis
Paige
Glenwood & Marjorie Marley
Willis E. Kuhns
Parents, brothers & sisters
Anna-Mari Martz

Given by:

Daughter, Leigh Steckel, Grandchildren, Matt &

Kathleen Marley Bacak
Wife, Carol A. Kuhns & family
Dan & Donnalee Stark
Mamma

In memory of:

George, Sarah, Francis & Dennison Bowman

Given by:

Gary & Hope Strobl family

Memorial Fund

In memory of:

Grant White & Patricia White
William & Stella Strobl
Norm Dietrich
Joe & Jean Steiner
Lew & Jean Best
Barbara Ann Rabenold
Loved Ones
Mark Martz



Given by:

Denny & Debbie Barr
Gary & Hope Strobl family
Wife, Ila
Son, Jeff
Boscia family
Brother, Edward
Larry & Donna Hahn
Wife

Pantry Fund

Anna-Mari Martz
Parents
Edward Ott
Jane Laudenslager
Marti Boscia & Carl Boscia

Mamma
Keith & Judy Young
Gary & Hope Strobl family
The family
Boscia family

The Lord's Table at Jordan Church is an open table. If you are a baptized Christian of any church, believe in the Lord's presence in the sacrament and have received the sacrament before, you are welcome to receive with us. If you are not able to receive, please come forward for a pastoral blessing. To come forward, simply follow the direction of the ushers. **Distribution method** is noted in the order for worship.

ALTAR DISTRIBUTION: As you come forward, please take an empty cup with you to the altar rail. If you choose not to consume wine, grape juice is available. Come to the altar rail without a glass and a communion assistant will offer you the grape juice in a pre-filled glass.

INTINCTION DISTRIBUTION: Come forward and receive a wafer. Then dip it into either the wine (the cup in the center of the bread plate) or the grape juice (in the separate cup held by the second assistant). If you want additional time at the altar, please step to center of the altar rail out of the flow of other worshippers. You are invited to kneel if you wish.

Gluten-free wafers are available – please indicate your need to the communion assistant.

You are asked to fill out **communion cards** clearly and completely, one card per person. Visitors are asked to fill out the address of their home church (if you identify with one) so we may forward the card there. Take a moment also before leaving to sign our guest book, located in the entrance area.

If it is necessary to **leave the sanctuary** during worship, please refrain, if possible, from doing so during the reading of scripture or the Eucharistic prayers so as not to distract other worshippers.

The use of **electronic devices** during worship is discouraged. Please turn off cell phones or place on vibrate before the start of the service.

Hearing assistance is available for members and visitors to Jordan. Please see an usher to arrange to use a receiver. A Koala Bear **baby changing station** is located in the handicapped restroom across from the church offices (in the new section). Children's welcome bags and bulletins are located in the narthex. Please ask ushers for help.

Restrooms are located through the left side doors of the chancel; then left through the french doors; restrooms located in the foyer on the right.

Children in grade 9 and younger are asked to remain in the Memory Room when consuming refreshments during the fellowship hours.

Please be sensitive to the fact that many people are allergic to or bothered by **strong scents** (perfume, aftershave, etc.), particularly when many people are gathered closely together, as for **worship services**.

For Parents of young children: We are grateful that God has blessed Jordan with so many young children. Worshiping with young children is a special privilege and joy for all of us. We enjoy the sounds of children in our worship. However, if you sense the need for a "calming break" feel free to take him/her to the Memory Room or Nursery (located through the doors on the left side of the altar) where you can continue to hear and be involved in the worship.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Jordan**, please speak with the pastor following the service or call the church office (610-395-5912).

Announcements for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office before 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 15th of the month.