

THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you

C: **And with you.**

P: Lift your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places, give you thanks O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and we praise you especially for the glorious resurrection of your Son, the true Passover Lamb, who by his sacrifice took away the sins of the world and by his resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song: *“Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heavenly hosts: heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!”*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

P: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. O Christ Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

C: **Amen**

DISTRIBUTION (*during sunrise service, the congregation will sing CWS hymn #720 – Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands; in the 9:00 am service, we will sing CW#152 – I Know that My Redeemer Lives!*)

CLOSING PRAYER

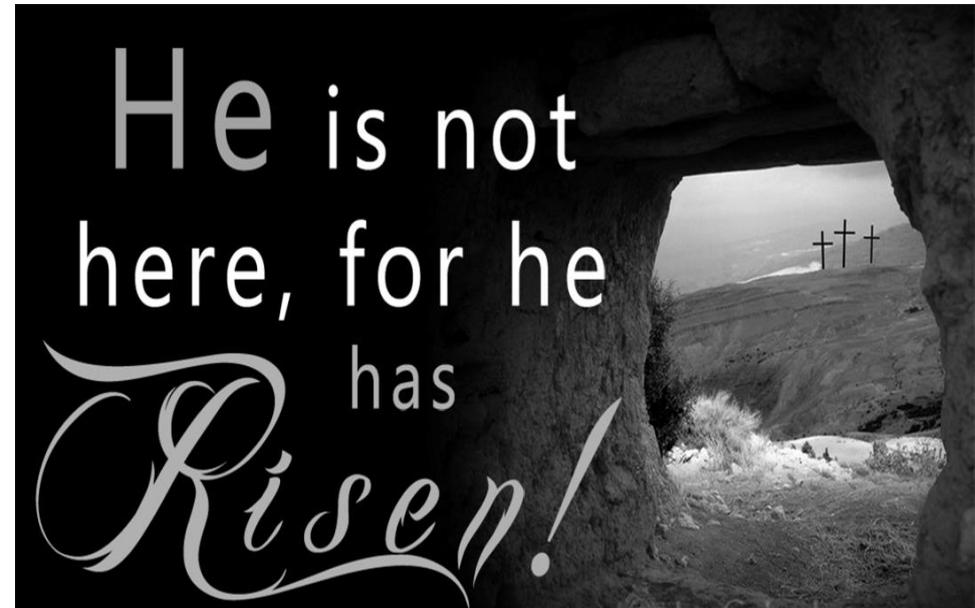
BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

CWS #752 “In Christ Alone”

The Festival of our Savior’s Resurrection

April 21, 2019



6:30 AM and 9:00 AM

**Emmaus Lutheran Church
Phoenix, AZ**

JOINT CHOIR SINGS “Low in the Grave He Lay” to open 9:00 am service

OPENING RESPONSIVE READING – *(Psalm 118 is a Messianic psalm – it is the declaration of the Messiah Himself who won victory over death for God’s people, and invites the people of God to rejoice in His victory.)*

P: This is the day the LORD has made,

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

P: The LORD is my strength and my song;

C: He has become my salvation.

P: The LORD’s right hand is lifted high;

C: The LORD’s right hand has done mighty things!

P: I will not die but live,

C: and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

P: I will give you thanks, for you answered me;

C: You have become my salvation.

P: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

C: The LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

P: This is the day the LORD has made;

C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Sunrise service - CW #150 – Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

9:00 am service - CW#157 – Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!

INVOCATION

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: O Almighty and everlasting God, we come before you this day, acknowledging that all too often our hearts have been heavy when they should have been rejoicing, our eyes have been focused on ourselves rather than on you, our ears have been listening to the world around us rather than to your Word.

P: With the Church of every age, we offer you unending praise, for you have crushed Satan’s head and have removed our guilt.

C: You are risen!

P: Dear Savior, we who are weary and burdened come to you for rest, knowing that because of your perfect redemption there is now no condemnation for us. Take away our doubts and fears, and daily renew in us the joy of our salvation.

C: You are risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Holy Spirit, God of grace, you have called us by the gospel and brought us to saving faith in Christ.

C: We glorify you for opening our eyes to see the light of life.

P: Keep us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

C: He is risen!

P: As we journey through life, make us yearn for the day when you will give eternal life to us and all believers in Christ.

C: He is risen indeed!

Special prayers and intercessions.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

P: Work through your Word as we proclaim the saving message of the crucified and risen Jesus near and far, so that many others may hear your call, obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, and join us before the throne of our God and of the Lamb.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia! Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

SERMON

Mark 16:1-8 (9:00 am)

“The Truth of Jesus’ Resurrection answers our terrified confusion”

- 1. Our fruitless endeavors and worries**
- 2. The One crucified is Risen!**
- 3. You will see Him again!**

OFFERING *(The choir will sing “Low in the Grave He Lay” in sunrise service)*

Please stand

PRAYER

P: Heavenly Father, God of grace, with joy this festival day we give thanks to hear the angel say: "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; He has risen just as He said."

C: Christ is risen!

P: For as in Adam all died, so in Christ all will be made alive. He was delivered over to death for our sins and raised to life for our justification.

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: We marvel at the love you showed by your willingness to sacrifice your Son to pay for our sins; we bow down in adoration at your mighty power, which raised him from the dead.

C: We praise you for sending the true Life and Light into the world.

P: Lord Jesus, God of grace, you won the victory over sin, death, and the grave.

C: You conquered the darkness and give us comfort and hope.

C: Like your disciples on the triumphant day of your resurrection, we have many times trembled in fear of what men could do to us, rather than standing firm on the plain truth of your Word. We have doubted your goodness; we have disobeyed your Word. We have earned your just anger against our sin. Our bodies die and decay because of our rebellion against you. Our only hope is that the grave on that Sunday morning long ago was empty and remains empty today. your Promise of life and peace in Jesus, your Son, is the only solution to our wretchedness. It is to that Promise alone we cling.

P: The grave is empty. God’s Promise is true. Christ was punished for sinners on Calvary. He rose from the dead just as He said. Now by the Holy Spirit’s work through this gospel, your faith and hope are in Christ alone. Through faith in Christ you are considered pure and holy. Through faith in Christ the grave no longer has its hold on you. Through faith in Christ you are no longer a slave to sin, but have been set free to serve Him. Through faith in Christ Satan can no longer accuse you, for he’s been judged, the deed is done. The victory is yours. Because He died and rose again, you will live forever, seeing Him face to face when you draw your last breath, and assured that you will join in the resurrection of all on the Last Day. Go in peace, your sins are forgiven. Amen.

HYMN RESPONSE

CW #162 - “He Is Arisen! Glorious Word”

**He is arisen! Glorious Word!
Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav’n are open.
My Jesus did triumphant die,
And Satan’s arrows broken lie,
Destroyed hell’s fiercest weapon.
Oh, hear What cheer!
Christ victorious, Rising glorious,
Life is giving.
He was dead, but now is living!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9 (Sunrise); Job 19:23-27a (9:00)

HYMN RESPONSE

CW #141 - "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
 Praise to our victorious King,
 Who has washed us in the tide
 Flowing from his pierced side. Alleluia!

Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie.
 You have conquered in the fight;
 You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And your saints in you shall rise. Alleluia!

SECOND LESSON

1 Cor. 15:12-20 (Sunrise); 1 Cor. 15:51-58 (9:00)

VERSE OF THE DAY

Sunrise service: *Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. Alleluia!* (1 Corinthians 15:22)

9:00 am service: *Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!* (Psalm 118:24)

HYMN RESPONSE

CW #141 - "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days,
 Three in One, your name we praise. Alleluia!

*Please stand***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 20:1-18 (Sunrise); Mark 16:1-8 (9:00)

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Please be seated***HYMN**

Sunrise Service - #156 "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"
 9:00 am service - #720 "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

SERMON

John 20:1-10 (sunrise)

"The Evidence We Find at Jesus' Tomb shows His Complete Triumph over Death"

1. What we see
2. What we don't see