

**St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church**  
1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

**April 28, 2019**

*Second Sunday of Easter*

**8:30 a.m. Service**

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

*Gathering*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Confession and Forgiveness

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

**Amen.**

When we were baptized, we died and were buried with Christ.

**We were baptized so that we might have a new life, as Christ was raised to life by the glory of God the Father.**

Therefore, let us confess our sins to God so that we may be prepared to greet our ever-living King when he comes with the clouds in great glory.

*(Silence is kept for meditation and self-examination)*

Almighty and all-merciful God,

**We are dead in our sin; we have no power to rise. We have brought sorrow. We have offended you and others and are sorry for our offenses. We have no power to rise.**

But Christ is risen.

**Risen indeed!**

Since we have been united with him in a death like his,

**we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. For his sake, we ask you to forgive our sins, so that we may receive, and share, the precious peace our Lord has promised. Let us be raised with Christ.**

“Thus it is written, that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in his name.”

That Word is now proclaimed to you. In the name of Christ, your sins are forgiven.

**We have seen the Lord! Alleluia!**

## Gathering Song

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 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.  
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

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## Apostolic Greeting

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with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Hymn of Praise

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## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Word

*(Please be seated)*

## First Reading

Acts 5:27-32

*Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.*

Word of God, word of life.

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## Psalm

Psalm 150

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## Second Reading

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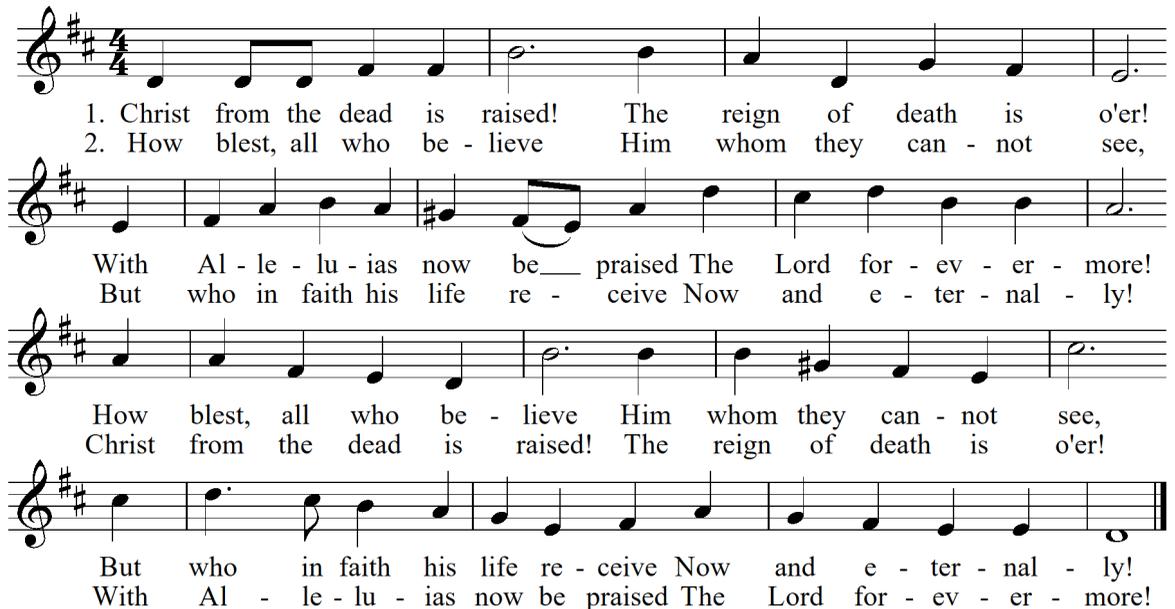
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## Gospel Acclamation

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## Gospel

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Gospel Acclamation

**Christ From the Dead is Raised** [Stanza 2]

*(Please be seated)*

Sermon

Pastor Matthew Schlake-Kruse

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Hymn of the Day

**#361 The Day of Resurrection!**

*(Prayer Cards will be collected during the Hymn)*

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Holy God, by the death and resurrection of your Son, you have granted new life,  
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 has set us free, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Jesus said: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be  
 troubled." The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Meal*

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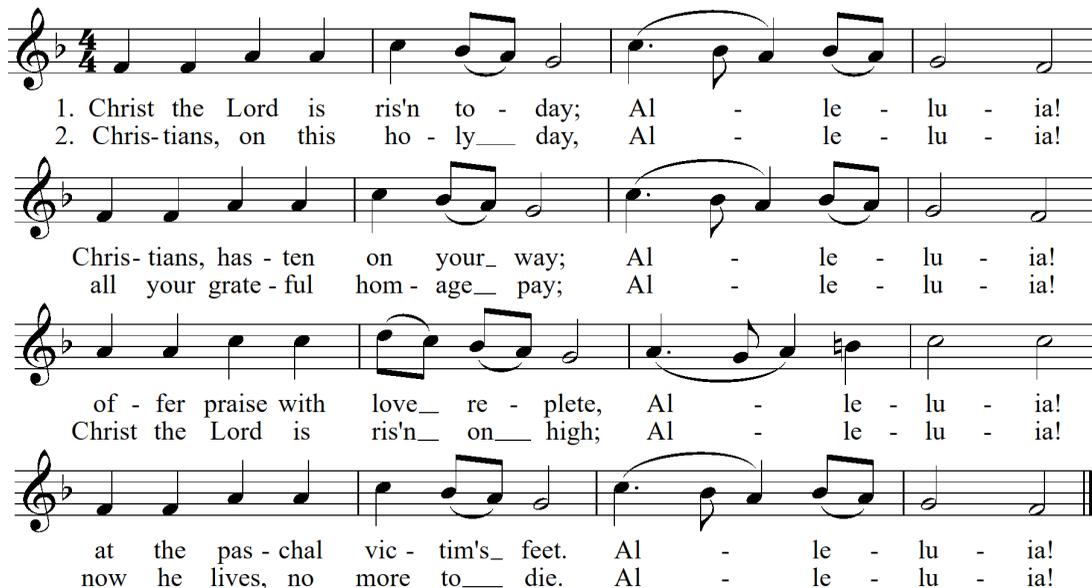
Musical Offering

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Offertory

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Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Your son made himself known, O Father, proclaiming, by his very presence, your resurrection power. We offer these gifts, proclaiming, by their very presence, our love and praise. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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Invitation to Communion

*(Please be seated)*

Lamb of God

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Communion Hymn

**#384 That Easter Day with Joy was Bright**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Post-Communion Response

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in God's light and grace.  
**Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

You have given us your peace, "Peace be with you." You have given us direction, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Breathe your Spirit upon us now for you are the Lord forevermore.

**Amen.**

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Temple Talk

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Blessing

As Christ burst forth from the tomb, may new life burst forth from us and show itself in acts of love and healing to a hurting world. Almighty God – Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer – Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude

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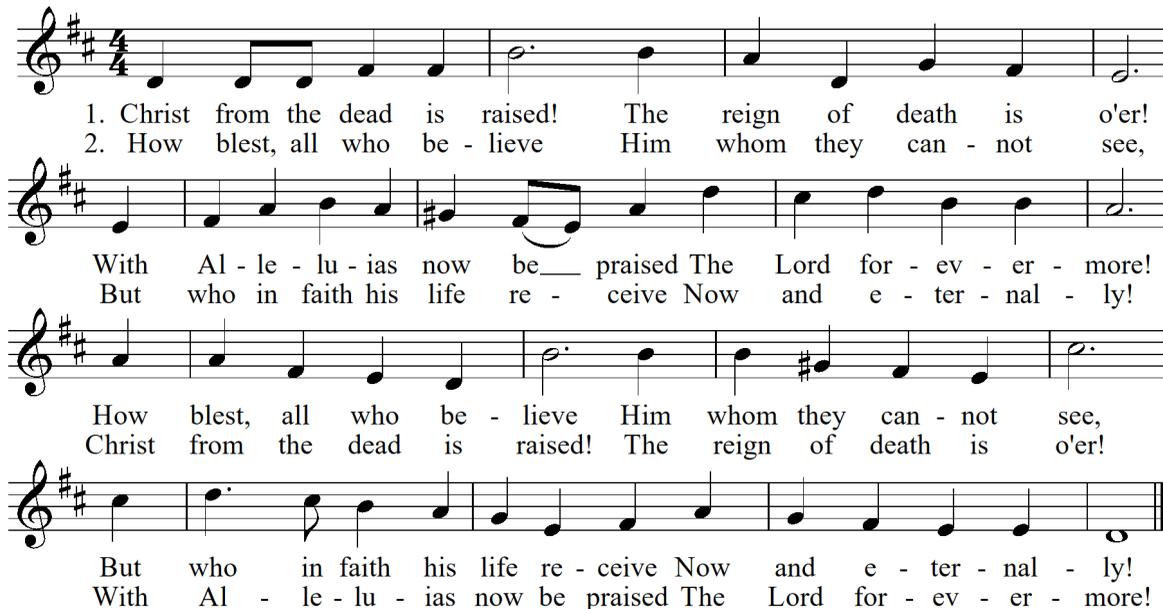
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Thanksgiving for the Word

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Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

**Save us from the time of trial**  
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