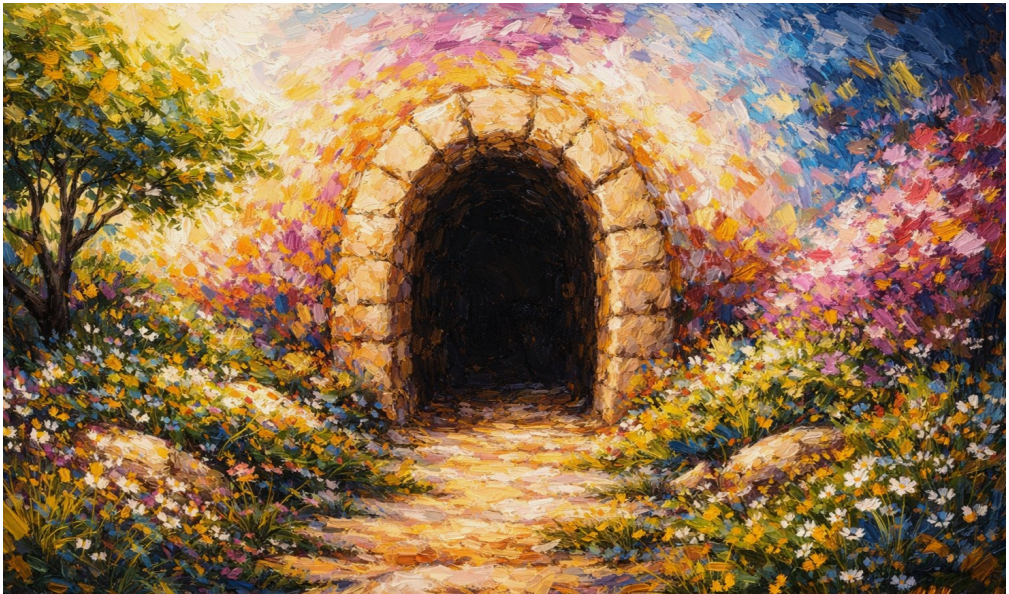


# *Easter Sunday*

April 05, 2026

9:30 a.m. Worship



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## THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

**Welcome** to our festive observance of the Resurrection of our Lord! Every Sunday is a celebration of the Resurrection, but Easter especially so. May God's Spirit bring anew to you the glorious Gospel message:

**Christ is Risen!**

**The Risen Christ** invites us to taste His victory in the sacramental meal this morning: "... *This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia!*" Those desiring to celebrate Christ's presence in the Sacrament, please come down the center aisle at the time for distribution. Ushers will assist you.

**We are glad** that we can all worship together. We look forward to being helpful to each other as God gives us the opportunity.

## OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our special Easter Offering is for our world-wide ministry through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America: missions at home and abroad, colleges, seminaries, charities and institutions, social services, world relief, and more.

## EASTER FLOWERS

Please help yourself to a flower as you leave today. Flowers are at the front of the sanctuary, around the cross in the narthex, and in the “begonia cross,” which may or may not actually be begonias.

## CHELSEA HEIGHTS FOOD DRIVE

As we celebrate this season of resurrection and renewal, we give thanks for the wonderful Food Drive partnership we launched with Chelsea Heights School and the PTO at the end of January. **This effort has now come to a close, and we are deeply grateful for the generosity and community spirit it inspired.**

Over the past nine weeks, this pantry has supported Chelsea Heights families, neighboring families, a partner school (Frost Lake Elementary), Murray Middle School, and Esther Homes (<https://Estherhomesmn.org>). As of Wednesday, March 25, any remaining food and hygiene supplies have been donated to the Murray Middle School Pantry.

If you would like to continue supporting this work by donating directly to Murray Middle School, please contact: **[mandi.rupp@gmail.com](mailto:mandi.rupp@gmail.com)**.



*We welcome all to worship here: those who are strong in faith and those who are seeking, those who are hurting and those who give comfort; all who are drawn to worship, community, and faith.*

*We acknowledge and celebrate the rich diversity within and around us. As a community rooted in the body of Christ, we commit ourselves to creating a space where people of all races, ages, ethnicities, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions are not only included but deeply valued and seen as essential to our shared journey.*

*Together, we value human diversity as a divine gift and blessing—a reflection of God’s boundless creativity and love. Because of this, we commit ourselves in ministry to fully embracing all people and advancing racial equity in our ministry.*

*We recognize that we hold a variety of beliefs, perspectives, and lived experiences; and yet we gather in Christ to worship God together. If you have questions, feedback, or needs for assistance, please ask. We seek to grow together in ministry, community and faith, and we are glad that you are here with us today.*

*~ The People of Como Park Lutheran Church*

## **TODAY’S COFFEE HOUR**

**will immediately follow the service.**

Please join us for some coffee and light snacks in the Narthex.

This service will be broadcast live on YouTube  
and recorded for later viewing.

[www.youtube.com/c/ComoParkLutheranChurch](http://www.youtube.com/c/ComoParkLutheranChurch)



Regular - Liturgist  
**Bold - Congregation**  
✠ - Stand as able



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## THE GATHERING

### PRELUDE

Easter Fanfare on Llanfair

Raymond Davis

Accent Brass

### WELCOME, GREETING, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ✠THE ANNOUNCEMENT

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

He is risen!

**HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

**ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

#### ✠OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

ELW 365

#### ✠THE APOSTOLIC GREETING (2 Corinthians 13:14)

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.**

✠KYRIE

*ELW pg. 193-194*



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



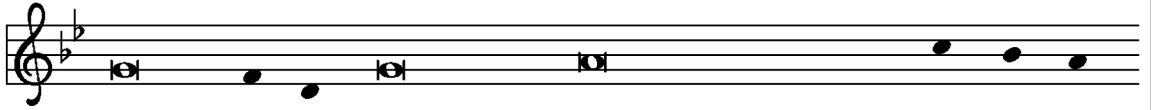
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



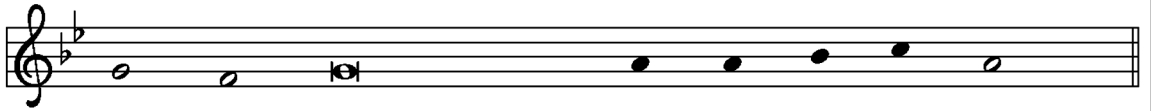
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**A - men.**

# ✠GLORY TO GOD

ELW pg. 195-196



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

# *Refrain*



## ✠PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

# THE WORD

## FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup>Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24



<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good;  
God's mercy en- | dures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**Let Israel | now declare,**  
**"God's mercy en- | dures forever."**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength | and my song,  
and has become | my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the righteous:**  
**"The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!"**

- <sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD | is exalted!  
The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!"
- <sup>17</sup>**I shall not | die, but live,  
and declare the works | of the LORD.**
- <sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed pun- | ished me sorely,  
but did not hand me o- | ver to death.
- <sup>19</sup>**Open for me the | gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD.**
- <sup>20</sup>"This is the gate | of the LORD;  
here the righ- | teous may enter."
- <sup>21</sup>**I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me  
and you have become | my salvation.**
- <sup>22</sup>The stone that the build- | ers rejected  
has become the chief | cornerstone.
- <sup>23</sup>**By the LORD has | this been done;  
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**
- <sup>24</sup>This is the day that the | LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

## **SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4**

The Second Reading according to Colossians, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ✠GOSPEL VERSE

This Is The Day

Gallus

CPLChoir and Accent Brass

## ✠GOSPEL: Mathew 28:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mathew the Twenty-eighth Chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup> For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men.

<sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you."

<sup>8</sup> So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Mary Ann Schmidt

(Jesus Loves Me! ELW 595)

✠HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

ELW 363

✠APOSTLES' CREED

Standing together, let us confess our faith...

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

## ✠PRAYERS

... Lord, in your mercy,  
... **hear our prayer.**

## ✠THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

(In sharing God's Peace we share with each other our hope for God's blessing by shaking hands, or turning to one another and nodding, or bumping fists and saying "God's peace be with you.")

## THE MEAL

### OFFERING

My Master from a Garden Rose

Daley

CPLChoir

*Electronic offerings can be made using smart phones and tablet devices by going to [www.ComoParkLutheran.org](http://www.ComoParkLutheran.org) and clicking on the "donate" button. You may also use the giving kiosk in the narthex located by the staircase.*



## ✠OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## ✠THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The music consists of quarter and eighth notes with various phrasing slurs.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...  
... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

✠**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** (Isaiah 6:3)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**✠ WORDS OF INSTITUTION** (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

In the night in which he was betrayed...  
... Do this for the remembrance of me.

**✠ THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Matthew 6:9-13; Revelation 11:15)

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**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  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.**

**Amen.**

**DISTRIBUTION**

All who believe Christ is truly present in the sacrament are invited to receive communion. At the server, hold out the flat of your palm to receive the wafer. If you desire gluten-free wafers, simply say to the first server "gluten-free." Then, step to the second server and take the wine in the small cup. The cups hold red wine and grape juice. If you are allergic to grapes, you are free to receive only the bread, knowing that Christ is fully present within each element. Children who do not yet commune will receive a blessing from pastor or first server.

**LAMB OF GOD** (John 1:29)

*ELW pg. 146*

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.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

**Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

**ELW 367**

**✠POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

## ✠POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE SENDING

### ✠BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:24-26)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**

### ✠CLOSING HYMN

**I Know that My Redeemer Lives (vs. 1-4, 8)**

**ELW 619**

### ✠DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Postlude on 'The Strife is O'er'

Jeff Whitmill

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## EASTER FLOWERS

have been placed in our sanctuary in gratitude to God for the blessing of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and:



### Given By

Julie Cain  
 Ginger Fischer  
 David Harris  
 Scott and Polly Heaton  
 David Laden  
 Curt & Mary Loschy  
 Michael Santoro  
 Sheila Skone  
 Spivey Family  
 Juliette Zalk  
 Roxane J. Thode

### In Memory Of

Harlan and Mary Klante  
 Loved Ones  
 Clarence & Marietta Harris  
 Loved Ones  
 Lucille Laden  
 Loved Ones  
 Shirley Santoro  
 Family  
 Loved Ones  
 Loved Ones  
 Parents, Grandparents, &  
 Godparents

## MN FOOD SHARE

In gratitude for the gift of new life and hope through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, the following gifts have been given to the Minnesota Food Share to provide life and hope to people today:

### Given By

Ginger Fischer  
 Scott and Polly Heaton  
 Patricia Johnson  
 Rosemary Johnson  
 Janet Pankonin  
 Michael Santoro  
 Sheila Skone  
 Spivey Family

### In Memory Of

Loved Ones  
 Loved Ones  
 Bob Johnson, Earl & Margaret Clemment  
 Loved Ones  
 Loved Ones  
 Shirley Santoro  
 Family  
 Loved Ones



*Please pray for...*

Pam B.	Tyler F. (brother-in-law of Ginger F.)
Dorothy E.	J.J. K. (great grandson of Bill H.)
Kathy H.	Joe (friend of Sandra H.)
Ann L.	Cheryl & Jim (quilter & husband)
Heather Q.	Nichole (friend of Como Connects)
Ruth R.	Mary C.
Gina K.	... and all in need of prayers

*We welcome names of members, family, and friends on our prayer list.*

✘   ✘   ✘

**Serving in the Military**

Dane Beecham, Jonathan Lund, Kristian Nelson  
... and all others who serve

✘   ✘   ✘

**We pray regularly for all members and friends of our congregation.**

**This week in worship, we pray for:**

Linda Lange  
Sally Larson  
Albert & Janet Lathrop  
Paula Latz  
Alex & Julia Leone, Felix, Mabel  
Justin & Lindsay Lindall, Nora, Samuel  
Arthur & Kathy Linden, Jessica, Amanda

## ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

**Pastor:** Martin Ericson

**Director of Music Ministries:** Tom Ferry

**Accent Brass:** Alex Kahler—Trumpet I  
Doug Bradley—Trumpet II  
Michelle Kahler—Horn  
Paul Thomsen—Trombone  
Elizabeth Berrigan—Tuba

## THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

<b>Date</b>	<b>April 5, 2026</b>
<b>Time</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Harper O'Brien
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Pam Ballis and Jonathan Nye
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Craig Canada
<b>Communion Asst 1</b>	David Harris
<b>Communion Asst 2</b>	Shirley Dingman
<b>Greeter</b>	Jean Milton
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Mark & Joann Becker
<b>Children's Message</b>	Mary Ann Schmidt
<b>Reader</b>	Chuck Spivey
<b>Liturgist</b>	Dan Garvin
<b>Ushers</b>	Team 1
<b>Welcome Desk</b>	Mary Ann Schmidt
<b>Bus Driver</b>	Tom Spivey
<b>Video Tech</b>	Ruth Pechauer

## USHER TEAM

Team 1: Fred Halberg, Sam Schultz, Darrell Anderson

# Announcements



100 YEARS  
Reaching Out to Christ in a Changing World

## *Como Park Lutheran Church* CENTENNIAL BANQUET

5:30 PM. Saturday, April 25, 2026.  
Roseville Oval Skating Complex, Rose Room.  
\$25 Per Ticket. Ticket Deadline: April 6<sup>th</sup>.



A CHAOTIC (BUT FUN!) CASUAL GATHERING FOR FAMILIES

**April 10th, 5-8 PM** — Families with kids (newborn–6th grade) are invited - older siblings welcome - at CPLC Fellowship Hall for pizza, activities, and community connection.

A free-will donation for pizza is appreciated, and parents may bring beer, wine, or specialty non-alcoholic



**Vacation Bible School — July 6–9** We're partnering again with Camp Onomia for VBS. Kids PreK–5th grade are invited to attend; teens and adults are welcome to help.



**Youth Camping Trip — July 16–18** Save the date for our youth camping trip for grades 7–12. More details to come.



# GROWING FOR GOOD

## Saturday, May 2nd



12:00 – 2:00 PM • 1376 Hoyt Ave W, St. Paul

Catch the cultivators buzz. Grow abundantly.  
Share generously. **Thrive, together.**



### WHAT'S HAPPENING



#### Kids' Activities


Fun for all ages  
— get your hands  
dirty!

#### CPLC Giving Garden Tour



See the giving  
garden up close

#### Ask a Ramsay Garden Educator

Get expert tips  
from local growers



### WHO'S JOINING US



#### MN Hobby Beekeepers

Meet local beekeepers and learn about pollinators

#### Como Grow a Row

Growing food to share with neighbors in need

#### St. Paul Growers Association

#### MN Tool Library

#### St. Paul Parks & Rec

#### Como Seed Library

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APRIL 5, 2026  
EASTER SUNDAY



*Christ is risen!*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Matthew 28:1-10</b>	<b>Christ's resurrection</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Acts 10:34-43</b>	<b>Peter speaks of faith in Jesus</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>John 20:1-18</b>	<b>The resurrection of Jesus</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Jeremiah 31:1-6</b>	<b>Israel will return to God</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Colossians 3:1-4</b>	<b>New life in Christ</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Isaiah 25:6-9</b>	<b>The Lord has saved us</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24</b>	<b>The Lord is always merciful</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>John 20:19-31</b>	<b>Thomas sees and believes</b>

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

*"So they [Mary Magdalene and the other Mary] left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him." Matthew 28:8-9 (NRSV)*

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### **A Prayer for the Week:**

Almighty God, help us to live each day knowing and trusting that Jesus' resurrection changes everything we experience around us. Amen.

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, just as our Lord Jesus Christ ate with Peter and the other disciples after he rose from the dead, be with us now in this meal. Amen. (Acts 10:41)

#### **A Blessing to Give:**

May you rejoice in the risen Lord.



APRIL 5, 2026

## HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Jesus Christ Is Risen*

Today



# taking faith home

## WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

## CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When was a time you experienced something that changed your life?
- Imagine that you were one of the women who went to the tomb the first Easter morning. How do you think you would have felt? How do you think it changed them?

## DEVOTIONS



*Read:* Matthew 28:1-10.

Mary Magdalene and “the other Mary” go to the empty tomb. The second Mary is likely Jesus’ mother (Matthew 13:55 and 27:56 describe Jesus’ mother as the mother of James and Joseph). It is surprising that this second Mary is not named as the mother of Jesus. It appears that the emphasis is not on her biological relationship to Jesus but her role as a follower of Jesus. Mary is now a disciple. Jesus’ resurrection changes and shakes up everything, including our relationships with others. This is something suggested by the earthquake and the angel of the Lord that descends and whose appearance is like lightning. The resurrection of Jesus connects heaven and earth in a way that shakes up everything for the followers of Jesus.

*Discuss:* How does Jesus’ resurrection shake up the way you understand God’s care for you and others?

*Pray:* **Risen Lord Jesus, come into my life this day that I may be changed to live for you.**

**Amen.**

## SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you encourage someone to have hope?

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Plan an Easter egg hunt. Fill eggs with treats and before the hunt begins, say these words with responses:

*Say:* **This is the day the Lord has made.**

*Response:* **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Say:* **Christ is risen!**

*Response:* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Say:* **Lord, you give us new life.**

*Response:* **Alleluia!**

*Say:* **Christ is risen!**

*Response:* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Enjoy the egg hunt and after all the eggs are found, gather and pray: **Dear God, we thank you for this day and for these Easter eggs, a sign of new life and a symbol of the resurrection.**

**May our joy and laughter reflect the power of new life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)

**Please visit the Welcome Desk in the narthex  
if you have any questions about our facility or upcoming events.**

**Adult Forums, Membership Classes,  
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