



EASTER SUNDAY  
ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Sunday, April 17, 2022

# THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD EASTER SUNDAY

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## WELCOME, IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN CHRIST!

Guests, visitors, and members — we are glad you are here to share the greatest joy the world has ever known, the resurrection of Jesus Christ! May your time with the Lord and your fellow Christians be blessed greatly today as you sing, pray and listen to His Word.

(**P**) = Pastor, (**C**) = Congregation, (**A**) = Assisting)

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

**Theme: “He Has Risen! He Is Now Here!”**

**AS WE GATHER:** “He is risen!” shouts our true hope. “He is risen indeed!” reverberates our confident belief. The high point of our Christian life is celebrated this morning as we gather with all of God’s children to rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As today’s Gospel from Luke 24 will show us, confusion and fear give way to confident faith when the women who went to the tomb realize Jesus is alive and then share this good news with the other disciples. Through those disciples, this message has reached us also! Just as God had promised through His prophets of old, the Lord Himself will restore creation and bring harmony to all life—beginning with Jesus’ resurrection and continuing until the Last Day, when Jesus returns in glory, destroys death itself, and raises us up to new lives in His eternal kingdom. This victorious Savior is with us now—at the font, in His Word, at His Table—working to bring His new life into our lives as we trust in Him.

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**     **“Christ Is Risen”**  
Chris Rolinson  
**Carlyn Staudt, soloist**

## OPENING RESPONSES

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

**P** He died for our sins,  
**C** **according to the Scriptures.**

**P** He was buried in the tomb,  
**C** **according to the definite plan of God.**

**P** He rose from the dead  
**C** **and appeared to many.**

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

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

### “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ our Heavenly King, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains that He endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!  
Praise Him all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

## WELCOME

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

**P** Christ is risen, alleluia!  
**C** **He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

## INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*1 Corinthians 15:22; Romans 6:11*

**P** For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

**C** **So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.**

*A moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Lord's mercy and forgiveness.*

**P** Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Heavenly Father, You have created each of us to live life with You and in Your image. Yet our sin destroys that life and brings death into our world. Forgive us, Father, for our sins against You in the things that we think, the words that we speak, and the ways that we act. Forgive us for failing to live our lives as You designed them and for failing to share Your life with others. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the grave for us, call us back from the death of sin to live for Your glory. Amen.**

**P** Your merciful God is the author and giver of life! He hears your prayers and forgives you all your sins. Through Jesus, He takes your death upon Himself at the cross and, by His resurrection, gives you the free gift of life everlasting. As your pastor, it is my privilege to remind you of this forgiving grace of Jesus and, because He has granted His authority to do so, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## SALUTATION

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who by faith know that our risen Savior is with us now, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## MUSIC

**“He Is Risen, Hallelujah!”**  
words by J. Freud, music by T. Fettke  
**Karen Keup, soloist**

## ✠ THE WORD OF GOD ✠

## EPISTLE

**1 Corinthians 15:19–26 (ESV)**

(Christ has been raised from the dead.)

<sup>19</sup> If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For as by a Man came death, by a Man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## MUSIC

## "Thine Is The Glory"

words by E. L. Budry, music by G. F. Handel

choral setting by H. Hopson

**Ascension Choir**

*Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
Kept the folded grave clothes where Thy body lay.*

*Thine be all the praise, alleluia.  
Lift every voice, all the earth rejoice.*

*Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb.  
Lovingly He greet us, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
For the Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting.*

*Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won.*

## HOLY GOSPEL

## Luke 24:1–12 (ESV)

(Angels remind the women of Jesus' words.)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. <sup>5</sup> And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup> He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." <sup>8</sup> And they remembered His words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles,

<sup>11</sup> but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

## EASTER RESPONSE

**P** Christ is risen, Alleluia!

**C** He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

## HYMN “Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

Jesus lives! The vict’ry’s won!  
Death no longer can appall me;  
Jesus lives! Death’s reign is done!  
From the grave Christ will recall me.  
Brighter scenes will then commence;  
This shall be my confidence.

Jesus lives! To Him the throne  
High above all things is given.  
I shall go where He is gone,  
Live and reign with Him in heaven.  
God is faithful; doubtings, hence!  
This shall be my confidence.

Jesus lives! For me He died.  
Hence will I, to Jesus living,  
Pure in heart and act abide,  
Praise to Him and glory giving.  
All I need God will dispense;  
This shall be my confidence.

Jesus lives! And now is death  
But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm my trembling breath  
When I pass its gloomy portal.  
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense;  
Jesus is my confidence!

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*(Our offerings are made as an act of worship, given in loving response to all that God has graciously given us, both materially and spiritually.)*

**”Majesty”**

Jack W. Hayford  
**Ascension Choir**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

With joy and thanksgiving, we praise You, our Father in heaven, for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. By His life, death, and resurrection, He has granted us everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**



**P** In a world full of chaos and confusion, we find refuge in You, knowing you are on Your throne, as the King of kings and Lord of lords. Instead of looking to this world for our peace and purpose, help us, O Father, to look to Jesus, who is seated in power at Your right hand. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We bring to You, faithful Lord, our own needs and the concerns of those we love. For those who are hungry and hurting, doubting and depressed, grant that the message of Christ's resurrection bring restoration and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** There are many among us who are in need, O Lord. For the sick, suffering, hurting, and ailing, we ask for Your healing touch, *especially*... Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Death was not the end for Jesus; neither is it the end for those who trust in You. Give peace, hope, and the certainty of the coming Day of resurrection to all those who mourn and grieve. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We rejoice and give thanks with those who are celebrating... Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** What a blessing it is to be in Your house today, Lord God, as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior! His triumph over sin, death, and the devil is the reason we rejoice this day, and every day. Christ is risen!  
**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

*Matthew 6:9-13*

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors,  
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
Forever. Amen.

## EASTER PROCLAMATION

- P** Easter is here, and the stone has been rolled away.  
**C** **Jesus lives! And our sins are forgiven!**
- P** The light has dawned on an empty tomb.  
**C** **Jesus lives! And His light shines through our darkness!**
- P** The resurrected Christ gives us true hope in a life that never ends.  
**C** **Jesus lives! And all doubting is done!**
- P** The grave is open, and no death can hold us.  
**C** **Jesus lives! And death is defeated!**

## BENEDICTION

- P** Go home from this place knowing that the risen Christ goes ahead of you. There is no one you will meet, nothing you will face that is beyond the redemptive reach of our risen Lord. Jesus is already at work, so may God bless and keep you as you join Him on His mission. In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.**

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P** Christ is risen!  
**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CLOSING HYMN

**“All You On Earth, Rejoice And Sing!”**

(tune: *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*)

All you on earth, rejoice and sing:  
Give glory to our risen King!  
Raise your voices! Alleluia!  
Our Lord, who died, now truly lives;  
To us this promise He now gives.  
Alleluia, alleluia...

Your death, O Lord, was but the seed  
From which a new life would proceed!  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Our Lord, once raised by heaven’s power,  
will raise us all in that last hour.  
Alleluia, alleluia...

The Lord has made this Easter day;  
To joy let sorrow now give way!  
Celebrate it! Alleluia!  
All Christians, who one faith declare,  
Sing praise to Christ whose life we share.  
Alleluia, alleluia...

### DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace and serve the Lord!  
**G** **Thanks be to God!**

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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*Thank you to our Altar Guild for the lovely Altar flowers.*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **APRIL 17, 2022**

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### **† SOLVE SPRING CLEAN-UP, HOW CAN I HELP?**

The Mission Board has registered for ten volunteer positions with the SOLVE Spring community clean-up event in Gresham on April 23 from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Volunteers will develop an outdoor field study location at the Clear Creek Middle School, clearing the area of blackberry canes, holly, and ivy to then spread native seed. To sign up email Herb Hoefer: [herbhoefer@gmail.com](mailto:herbhoefer@gmail.com)

### **† C-IOI IS COMING!**

What? Christianity101—Basics of the Christian Faith

When? Wednesday, June 1 from 6-7pm. with eight sessions each Wednesday, ending July 20.

Where? The Community Room.

Who? Those seeking membership, explorers in the faith, and anyone who wants a refresher!

### **† RICHARD ROBERTSON MEMORIAL**

There is a memorial planned for Saturday, April 23 at 1:30pm with a potluck meal and time for remembrances to follow in our community room. All are invited.

## † **LWML ZONE RALLY APRIL 30 AT 9:30AM**

Ascension, has volunteered our Community Room for the rally on Saturday, April 30. Another group is arranging the Bible Study and leader, a dessert, and our Ingathering. Plan to bring a sack lunch.

- We'll be helping to make Ascension's Mission Bracelets as our service project.
- There is a basket in the Narthex to collect Ingathering\* items for AbleLight (formerly Bethesda) for their developmentally challenged clients.
- Please contact Mae, Karon, or Virginia if you have any questions.

## † **PRAYER NEEDS?**

Contact the church office with any requests call: 503-665-8821 or e-mail: office@alcportland.org

## † **PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:**

Samantha Cassetty, MaryLou May, Andrew May, Rich Zahursky, The family of Fred Greco, The family of Ray Brown, MaryLou May, Miki Etzel, Mike Hatley, Lorraine Haggard, Larry Hart, Esperanza Gutierrez, Joyce (friend of Randy Bryant), Judy Blubaum, Members and friends with Covid, Antonia Martinez (mother of Esperanza Gutierrez), Ava Wentela (Sue Wentela's granddaughter), Carol Santorufo (sister of Sue Wentela), The people of Ukraine, \*Barbara Schrader, \*Dale Porath. \*Home Bound.

## † **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:**

Marie Cassetty Brown, Air Force — Little Rock, Arkansas (sister-in-law of Wanda Cassetty);  
Dakota Saunders, US Navy — Based in Cecilia Italy (godson of Carrie Graham);  
Alex Williamson, Air Force, Reserve — Washington (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);  
Michael Williamson, Air Force, Reserve — Texas (grandson of Rebecca Williamson);  
Jamie Wong-Lopez, Marines — Annapolis MD (nephew of Kevin and Merci McInaney);  
Clayton Wright, Air Force – Yokota AFB Japan (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);  
Colton Wright, Navy — (grandson of Virginia Jacobs);  
Tyler Young, Navy — Deployed (nephew of Karen Arronson).

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## † **MILESTONES**

### **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS:**

Merci McInaney	4/17	Arielle Reinert	4/19
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Morgan Berg	4/21	Nichole Fogarty	4/21
Margaret Hubbard	4/21	Carolyn Shore	4/21
MaryLou May	4/22		

**BIRTHDAYS**

Ty Fogarty	4/17	Sylvia Guthrie	4/17
Bea Kirchner	4/21	MaryLou May	4/22
Larry Hart	4/23		

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: None**

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT ASCENSION**

**THIS WEEK – Sunday, April 17 – Saturday, April 23**

<b>Sunday, Apr. 17</b>	8:30am	Worship
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:45am	Education Hour
<i>NO Communion</i>	11:00am	Worship
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted
<b>Monday, April 18</b>	Church Offices Closed	
<b>Tuesday, April 19</b>	6:00pm	3:10 Group
<b>Wednesday, April 20</b>	11:00am	CareConnect
	7:00pm	<b>NO</b> Online Bible Study Posted
<b>Thursday, April 21</b>	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, Apr. 22</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar
	7:00pm	Confirmation
<b>Saturday, Apr. 23</b>	10:30am	Chosen Bible Study
	1:30pm	Richard Robertson Memorial and Potluck Fellowship

**NEXT WEEK – Sunday, April 24 – Saturday, April 30**

<b>Sunday, Apr. 24</b>	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Education Hour
	11:00am	Worship with communion
	6:00pm	Online Worship Posted
<b>Monday, April 25</b>	<b>Church Office Open: 9am to 12pm through May 12</b>	
<b>Tuesday, April 26</b>	6:00pm	3:10 Group
<b>Wednesday, April 27</b>	7:00pm	<b>NO</b> Online Bible Study Posted
<b>Thursday, April 28</b>	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, Apr. 29</b>	6:30pm	Noche Familiar

**ASSISTING IN SERVICE EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Randy Bryant	John Hazen
<b>Acolytes:</b>		Jaden Mundo
<b>Ushers:</b>	Marcus Young Stan Chapulis Jim Eckart Randy Schroeder	Jonathan Mundo Joshua Mundo
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Laura Potter	J.E. Knox
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Jenny Schuldheisz	Rosemary Knox
<b>Greeters:</b>	Norma Dillon Jean Dillon	Margaret Hubbard Esperanza Gutiérrez
<b>Readers:</b>	Jim Eckart	Virginia Jacobs
<b>Altar Circle:</b>	Both Services	All Altar Guild
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services	Altar Guild
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services	Karon Keup and Sheryl Maier

**ASSISTING IN SERVICE SUNDAY, APRIL 24**

	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Dave Oswald	Herb Hoefler
<b>Acolytes:</b>		Jaden Mundo
<b>Ushers:</b>	Marcus Young	Matthias McInaney James Freeman Bob Freeman Wyatt Brown
<b>Audio/Visual:</b>	Stan Chapulis	Laura Potter
<b>PowerPoint:</b>	Wanda Cassetty	Rebecca Williamson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Sue Lewis Heather Gulde	Christina Freeman
<b>Readers:</b>	Randy Bryant	Carol Hoefler
<b>Altar Circle:</b>	Both Services	Debbie Rekdahl
<b>Flowers:</b>	Both Services	Sheryl Maier
<b>Counters:</b>	Both Services	Dave and Jan Oswald

# Ascension Lutheran Church

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## Our Mission Statement:

*~Go and Share Jesus Christ~*

## Our Vision Statement:

*“Take part...Join Jesus on His mission”*

The members of Ascension Lutheran Church are committed to being God ‘s witnesses in Gresham, and in all of Portland and the Northwest, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8):

With the universal Christian Church, we believe, teach and respond to the love of the Triune God— the Father, Creator of all that exists; the Son Jesus Christ, Who left His home in Heaven to become flesh and blood, to suffer and die for the sins of all peoples of the world, and Who rose from the grave, victorious over sin, death and the devil, that we too might live with Him in Heaven; and the Holy Spirit, Who creates faith in our hearts in Christ Jesus through God ‘s Word and Sacrament. The three Persons of the Holy Trinity are one God, co-equal and co-eternal. The core teachings of our faith from the Lutheran perspective can be summarized in three short phrases: Grace alone, Scripture alone, Faith alone.

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