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1 Peter 1:3, NRSV

The Order of Worship

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Prologue

“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ‘The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’”

Opening Hymn

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Christian Worship 157

Jesus Christ is ris’n 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 heav’nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation has 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 you heav’nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Service of Praise at the Resurrection

P: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In

his mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

C: Sing to the Lord, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

P: Dear friends, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord’s own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

C: Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

The Proclamation of the Resurrection

P: Rejoice now, all you heavenly hosts of angels. Rejoice now, all creation. Sound forth the trumpet of salvation and proclaim the triumph of your King. Rejoice in the radiance of the light now poured upon you; rejoice in the glory of the everlasting King. Know that the ancient darkness has been shattered forever. The gloom of death is destroyed. Rejoice, O Church of Christ, you are clothed in the brightness of his light.

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

Response

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”
Christian Worship 149 st. 1-2, 6

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today!”
Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, O heav’ns, and earth, reply.

Love’s redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo, our sun’s eclipse is o’er;
Lo, he sets in blood no more.

Hail the Lord of earth and heav’n!
Praise to you by both be giv’n!
God has now fulfilled his Word;
Praise the resurrected Lord!

The Blessing of the Resurrection

(The Joy and Peace that Comes with Forgiveness)

P: Sisters and brothers in Christ, on this holy day we have gathered to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. It was for our sins he died, and it was to give us the gift of forgiveness and new life that he was raised to life again. In our Baptism, we were joined together with him in his death, and have been united with him in his resurrection. Yet we must confess that we have not always lived the new life he has given us. We have turned away from God in our thinking, in our speaking, and in our actions. We have responded to the call of our sinful nature and the temptations of the devil. We have not loved God with all our being, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. Let us acknowledge those sins of which we are aware, and acknowledge those sins of which we are not even aware.

We Acknowledge Our Sin

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

God's Assurance of Forgiveness

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of the Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

P: In the peace and joy of forgiveness, we praise our gracious and triumphant Savior:

Response

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”
Christian Worship 141 st. 1, 4-5

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!

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!

Prayer for the Day

P: Dearly loved in the Lord, on this joyful morning on which our Savior passed over from death to life, we are gathered here to celebrate his glorious resurrection, and to be strengthened through his Word for a new life. In this celebration, we share in his victory over death. The Lord is risen indeed. Let us pray:

O blessed Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for your victory over sin, death and the grave. With your victory you give us the confidence we need to know we too will live. Your resurrection also gives us the strength we need to live our lives according to your will. Bless us as we join to praise you. Let our songs, our words, our thanks, and finally, our works express the joyful confidence you give us. In your blessed name we pray.

C: Amen!

Handbells

“The Day of Resurrection”
Arranged by Sandra Eithun
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The Lessons from God’s Word

Old Testament

Jonah 2:2-9

²He said the following:

In my distress I called to the LORD,
and he answered me.

From the belly of the grave I cried out,
and you heard my voice.

³You threw me into the depths,
into the heart of the seas.

The currents swept around me.

All your breakers and your waves swept over me.

⁴I said, “I have been driven away from your sight.
Nevertheless, I will once again look toward your
holy temple.”

⁵Waters engulfed me so that I was near death.

The deep surrounded me.

Seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶To the roots of the mountains I sank down.
The earth locked me behind its bars forever.
But you brought my life up from the pit, O LORD, my God.
⁷When my life was ebbing away, I remembered the LORD.
My prayer came to you, to your holy temple.
⁸Those who cling to worthless idols forsake the mercy
that is theirs.
⁹But I, with a shout of thanksgiving, will indeed
sacrifice to you.
What I have vowed, I will certainly pay in full.
Salvation belongs to the LORD!

Children's Message
"The Best Way, or the Easy Way"

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

¹Brothers, I am going to call your attention to the gospel that I preached to you. You received it, and you took your stand on it.
²You are also being saved by that gospel that was expressed in the words I preached to you, if you keep your hold on it—unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received:
that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve.
⁶After that he appeared to over five hundred brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, but some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles.
⁸Last of all, he appeared also to me, the stillborn child, so to speak. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, and I am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted God's church. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not ineffective. On the contrary, I worked more than all of them

(and yet it wasn't my doing, but it was the grace of God, which was with me, that did it). ¹¹So whether it is I or they, that is what we preach, and that is what you believed.

Song of Praise

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

Christin Worship (2021)

To the tune of “Ode of Joy”

Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled —
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia, to the Savior who has gained the victory;
Alleluia, to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia! To the triune Majesty!

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

¹After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. ²Suddenly, there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, and going to the tomb, he rolled away the stone and was sitting on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. ⁴The guards were so terrified of him that they shook and became like dead men. ⁵The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid! I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here. He has risen, just as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. ⁷Go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has risen from the dead! And look, he is going ahead of you to Galilee. There you will see him.’ See, I have told you!”

⁸They hurried away from the tomb, with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!”

They approached, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him.

¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go, tell my brothers that they should go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

P: This is the Word of our God;

C: Sanctify us by your Truth, your Word is Truth.

The Confession of Faith

(We will join in the words of the Nicene Creed)

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again in accordance
with the Scriptures;**

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen!**

Hymn of the Day

“Alleluia! Jesus Lives”
Christian Worship 153

Alleluia! Jesus lives! He is now the living one;
From the gloomy house of death forth the conqueror has gone,
Bright forerunner to the skies of his people, yet to rise.

Jesus lives! Let all rejoice; praise him, ransomed ones of earth.
Praise him in a nobler song, cherubim of heav'nly birth.
Praise the Victor-King, whose sway sin and death and hell obey.

Jesus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and frequent sigh?
He who died our brother here lives our brother still on high,
Lives forever to bestow blessings on his Church below.

Jesus lives! And thus, my soul, life is yours eternally;
Joined to him, your living head, where he is, you too shall be;
You with him at his right hand victor over death shall stand.

Sermon

Psalm 16:8-11

⁸I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

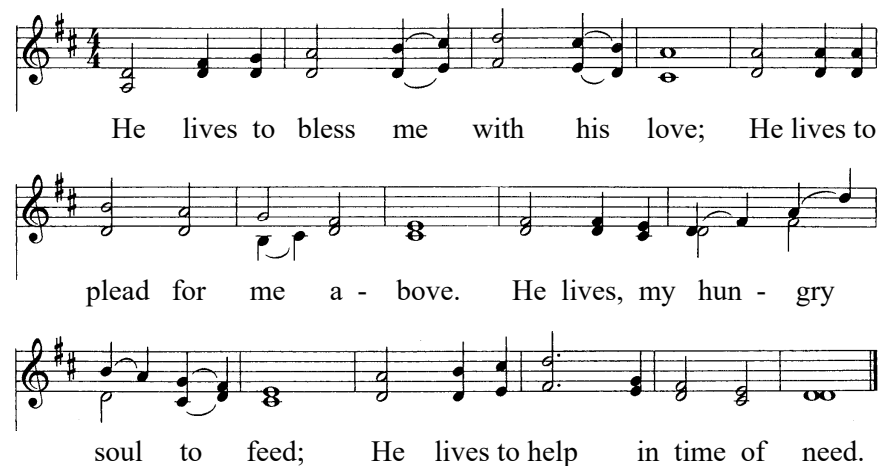
⁹Therefore my heart is glad and my who being rejoices. Even my flesh will dwell securely, ¹⁰because you will not abandon my life to the grave. You will not let your favored one see decay.

¹¹You have made know to me the path of life, fullness of joy in your presence, pleasures at your right hand forever.

2. He lives triumphant from the grave,
He lives eternally to save.
He lives, all glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high

P: O ever-living Savior, as you were raised from the dead and brought to the light of life, release us from spiritual darkness and the gloom of death. Lead us to trust you with all our heart. Strengthen us to serve you all our days. Fill us with joy as we look forward to your glorious return. Until that time, comfort us with the knowledge you are our ever-present Lord, and you will take care of our every need - both body and soul.

The congregation will sing:



He lives to bless me with his love; He lives to
plead for me a - bove. He lives, my hun - gry
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.

4. He lives to grant me rich supply;
He lives to guide me with his eye.
He lives to comfort me when faint;
He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

P: O Savior, we need you every moment of every day. Therefore, bless us with your gracious presence. As our exalted Prophet, instruct and encourage us through your Word. As our

exalted High Priest, purify our prayers and intercede at your Father's throne for us. As our exalted King, watch over us, defend us, rule over all things by your power, and keep us safe from every evil until we reach your heavenly kingdom.

The congregation will sing

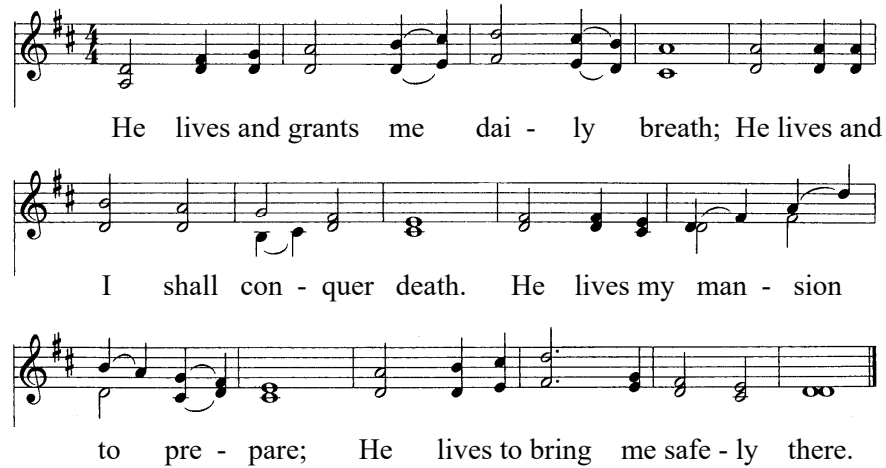


He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to
wipe a - way my tears. He lives to calm my
trou - bled heart. He lives all bles - sings to im - part.

6. He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly Friend;
He lives and loves me to the end.
He lives, and while he lives I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest and King.

P: O Jesus, our dearly loved Savior, you have promised to always be at our side. Give us strength to bear all our troubles, and wisdom to overcome them. Give us patience to endure every sorrow, and courage to deal with every danger. O Lord, you are the Help of the helpless. Lift up those who have fallen. Reclaim those who are straying. As we travel the winding road of life, teach us to love you more and more, as we eagerly await the joy and blessing you have reserved for us in heaven. All praise and glory are yours, O risen, ever-living and glorified Savior!

The congregation will sing



He lives and grants me dai - ly breath; He lives and
I shall con - quer death. He lives my man - sion
to pre - pare; He lives to bring me safe - ly there.

8. He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives;
"I know that my Redeemer lives!"

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle *(Our Connection to Jesus' Death and Resurrection)*

P: Christ Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever; the beginning and the end; the Alpha and the Omega. As the Lamb of God he has taken away the sin of the world. May the light of Christ, who is risen in glory from the dead, scatter the darkness of our hearts and minds, and shine through our words and actions - to the praise of his glorious name!

Responsive Reading of Romans 6:3-8

P: ³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

C: ⁴ **We were therefore buried with him by this baptism into his death, so that just as he was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too would also walk in a new life.**

P: ⁵ For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be united with him in the likeness of his resurrection.

C: ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him, to make our sinful body powerless, so that we would not continue to serve sin.

P: ⁷ For the person who has died has been declared free from sin.

C: ⁸ And since we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

The Blessing of the Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15:42-44, 50-57

P: ⁴² That is the way the resurrection of the dead will be. What is sown is perishable; it is raised imperishable. ⁴³ It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. ⁴⁴ It is sown as a natural body; it is raised as a spiritual body.

⁵⁰ Now I say this, beloved: Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, and what is perishable is not going to inherit what is imperishable. ⁵¹ Look, I tell you a mystery. We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵² in a moment, in the blink of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴ But once this perishable body has put on imperishability, and this mortal body has put on immortality, then what is written will be fulfilled:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

⁵⁵ Death, where is your sting?

Grave, where is your victory?

C: ⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

Benediction from Hebrews 13:20-21

P: ²⁰Now may the God of peace—who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, in connection with his blood, which established the eternal testament—²¹ may he equip you with every good thing to do his will, as he works in us what is pleasing in his sight through Jesus Christ. To him be glory forever and ever.

C: Amen!

Closing Hymn

“He is Arisen Glorious Word”

Christian Worship 162

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!

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today - *Welcome in our Savior’s Name!* May the blessing of our Risen Savior and his all-encompassing love be with you always. If you are visiting us this morning, please sign a “visitor card,” and return it to the pastor, or sign our guest book. We also invite you to visit us again—*soon!*

- We invite everyone to remain after the service to enjoy a brunch prepared by the members of the congregation.
- If you are visiting this morning, and if you have any questions, please feel free to speak with Pastor Proeber, or give him a call this week - 967-1128.
- Our regular Sunday morning worship is at 9:30 am. Christian

Education follows at 11:00 am. Sunday School is on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. There are other activities through the week and every month. You may check out our website: www.orlcsb.net.

Tuesday—Pastor’s Circuit Study at 10:00 am.

Wednesday—Evening Bible study will restart in May. The classes start at 7:00 pm.

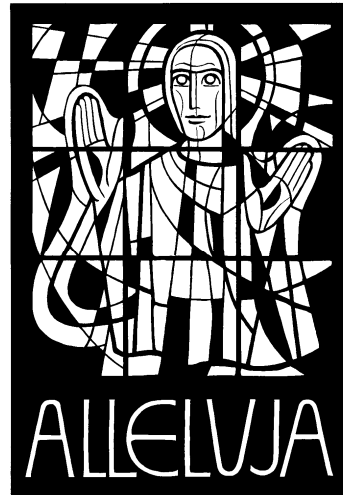
Friday—Office hours from 10:30 am—2:30 pm.

Saturday— Church cleaning: Proeber

- Lawn mowing beginning April 16th: Pettus

Sunday, April 16th—In-person worship and Live-streaming at 9:30 am. Our celebration of the Resurrection continues. During the 9:30 am worship service we will focus on Jesus’ appearances and the comfort it brought Jesus’ disciples. These appearances give us the confidence to say together with Thomas: “My Lord and my God!”

- The Congregational Meeting for the First Quarter will follow the worship service. We will review the blessings of the past quarter and look at plans for the second quarter.





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