

## Easter Sunday

# ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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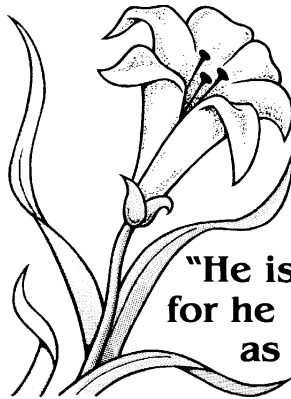
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**"He is not here;  
for he is risen,  
as he said."**

**-Matthew 28:6**

**WELCOME** To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world. If you are looking for a church home, and would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, the pastor will be happy to meet with you at your convenience.

**Organ Prelude** Mrs. Lana Strike

**Choir** *Alleluia! Christ Has Destroyed Death*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ has destroyed death.

And has brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Hymn** 728 *Christ is Living*

**Responsive Reading** (From Luther's Easter Hymn)

P: Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands, For our offenses given:

**C: But now at God's right hand He stands, And brings us life from heaven.**

P: Therefore let us joyful be And sing to God right thankfully:

**C: Loud songs of Hallelujah!**

P: It was a strange and dreadful strife When Life and Death contended:

**C: The victory remained with Life, The reign of Death is ended.**

P: Holy Scripture plainly saith That Death is swallowed up by Death;

**C: His sting is lost forever.**

P: Here the true Pascal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us:

**C: He died upon the cursed tree - So strong His love to save us.**

P: See, His blood doth mark our door; Faith points to it, Death passes o'er:

**C: And Satan cannot harm us.**

P: Then let us feast this Easter Day On Christ, the Bread of Heaven:

**C: The Word of grace hath purged away The old and evil leaven.**

P: Christ alone our souls will feed, He is our meat and drink indeed:

**C: Faith lives upon no other. Hallelujah!**

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 28:1-10

**Hymn** 191:1-4 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia!*

**Scripture Reading** Mark 16:1-8

**Hymn** 192 *Awake, My Heart With Gladness*

V1 All

V2 Men

V3 Women

V4 All

**Scripture Reading** 1 Corinthians 15:35ff.

**Hymn** 732 *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

**Scripture Reading** John 20:11-18

**Hymn** 200:1-3,5 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

**Sermon** 2 Timothy 2:8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my Gospel.

## Remember Jesus Christ

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

### **Offering of Thankful Hearts**

**Choir** *Crown Him Lord of All* by Benjamin R. Hanby

Who is He in yonder stall, At whose feet the shepherds fall?  
Who is He is deep distress, Fasting in the wilderness?

Refrain: 'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord! The King of Glory  
At His feet we humbly fall, Crown Him! Crown Him, Lord of All!

Who is He the people bless For His words of gentleness?  
Who is He to whom they bring All the sick and sorrowing? Refrain

Lo! at midnight, who is He Prays in dark Gethsemane?  
Who is He on yonder tree Dies in grief and agony? Refrain

Who is He that from the grave Come to heal and help and save?  
Who is He that from His throne Rules thro' all the world alone? '

'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord! The King of glory!  
At His feet we humbly fall, Who was born in humble stall;  
Died and rose to save us all; Crown Him! Crown Him, Lord of all!

**Hymn** 205 *The Day of Resurrection*

**Prayer + The Lord's Prayer + Benediction**

**Congregation** 199 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Hallelujah!*

V1 All

V2 Women

V3 Men

V4 All

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**CALL** The voters elected to call a graduate from the Teaching Program at ILC. The Call Committee meets on Wednesday evening, May 1.

**THANK YOU** We'd like to thank all who provided special music throughout the Lenten season. We appreciate all of the time and effort put into it.

Thanks are also due to those who shared their flowers with us this morning.

**ILC VISITORS DAY** Young people in grades 7-8 are invited to attend Immanuel Lutheran High School Visitors Day on Friday, April 26. See the pastor if interested.

**WORKDAY** Thanks to all who showed up for an impromptu work-day last Tuesday afternoon. Much was accomplished in a short period of time, including work on the Hotzler and church properties. Trees were trimmed, winter debris was hauled away, gutters were cleaned, and over-grown vegetation was removed.

**TEACHERAGE TWO** The buyer has withdrawn the bid, following inspection on Wednesday.

**NIGHT OUT** The Ladies night out is planned for this Wednesday evening. See the sign-up sheet in the entryway for more information.

**POSTERS** Posters for Kindergarten Roundup (May 3) are available on the entryway table. Please help yourself and be sure to indicate where they've been posted so that we can avoid overlap.

**USHERS** Phil S., Zachary S., Nathan V., Anthony F., Ryan D.  
Bruce E., Steve R., Joe L., Nathan A., Josh T.

**CLEANING** (Wk 2) J. Albrecht, C. Ling  
The Eigenbergs, L. Ferguson