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He is nothere:

He has risen!

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The Resurrection of Our Lord

VISITOR INFORMATION

RESTROOMS are located at the bottom of the stairs to the right when you exit the narthex into the school building.

THE MOTHER'S ROOM is next to the bookshelf in the corner of the narthex and is meant only for women and children. Fathers may use the bathroom in the upstairs school hallway.

AMPLIFYING HEADSETS are available in the Deacons room. Please see any usher if you would like assistance.

QUESTIONS? Please contact the Deacon on duty this weekend or any of the ushers or pastors. They would love to assist you!

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Order of Service

Resurrection Harmony

Part 1: Near the Tomb

There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

While it was still dark, Mary of Magdala went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved (John), and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

Just after sunrise, the women took the spices they had prepared and went on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.

In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Do not be afraid. You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. 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.' Come and see the place where they laid him. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: and Peter, 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee.' There you will see him, just as he told you. Now I have told you." Then they remember his words. Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

Opening Hymn TLH 732 "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

The Invocation

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

Congregation (C): ♪ Amen.

Resurrection Greeting

P: He is risen! C: He is risen, indeed!

Prayer of the Day

- All: Dear Jesus, King of kings, and Lord of lords, we thank and praise You that by Your suffering and death on the cross You endured the very agony of hell for us, reconciling us to God. On Easter we especially thank and praise You for Your resurrection from the dead, for it proves that You are God's Son and seals Your sacrifice as the full payment for our sins. Our King, accept our heartfelt praise for all that You have so graciously done for our salvation, and keep on ruling in our hearts and lives. We ask this in Your name, Amen.
- P: I lay down and slept;
- C: I awoke, for the Lord sustained me. Psalm 3:5

P: Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more;

C: Death no longer has dominion over Him Romans 6:9

P: Christ was delivered for our offenses,

C: And raised again for our justification. *Romans 4:25*

- P: Thanks be to God,
- C: Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:57
- P: The Lord is risen! Hallelujah, Hallelujah! C: He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Resurrection Harmony Part 2: Jesus Appears to the Women Meanwhile, Peter and John started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. Finally John, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead). Then the disciples went back to their homes, wondering what had happened.

Soon after, Mary returned and stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him."

At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. "Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

While the other women were on their way to tell the disciples about the angels' message, Jesus suddenly met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

When they came back from the tomb, Mary of Magdala went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her. The women all told these things to the Eleven and to all the others who had followed him and who were morning and weeping. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense.

Meanwhile, while all the women were on their way to tell the disciples, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.' If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

Choir

Sunday Service

In Your Hands Are Beautiful Flowers

Please sing refrain on verses 2, 3, and 4.

VERSE 1 In your hands are beautiful flowers; tell me now, where are you taking them? I had planned to anoint my dead Savior, but I found an empty grave instead. REFRAIN

VERSE 2

On your lips are exultant anthems; tell me now, from where do these glad songs come? Jesus lives, and our hearts overflow with gladness at the sight of His empty tomb. REFRAIN

VERSE 3

In your eyes is a radiant happiness; tell me now the reason: what have they seen? Jesus lives, and into my life's darkness shines the light to show what my own life means. REFRAIN



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Resurrection Harmony

Part 3: The Road to Emmaus

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened there in these days?" "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."

He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

Hymn

TLH 201 "Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"

Resurrection Harmony Part 4: Jesus Appears to His Disciples On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were still talking about this, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus himself stood among them as they were eating; and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

When he had said this, he rebuked them for their lack of faith and their stubborn refusal to believe those who had seen him after he had risen. After he said this, he showed them his hands and feet and side. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. When the other disciples told him that they had seen the Lord, he declared, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Hymn

TLH 200:1-4 "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

Confession of Faith

from Luther's Large Catechism on the 2^{nd} Article of the Apostles' Creed

- All: The little word Lord means the same as redeemer. It means the One who has brought us from Satan to God, from death to life, from sin to righteousness, and who preserves us in the same. But all the points that follow in this article serve no other purpose than to explain and express this redemption. They explain how and by whom it was accomplished. They explain how much it cost Him and what He spent and risked so that He might win us and bring us under His dominion. It explains that He became man [John 1:14], was conceived and born without sin [Hebrews 4:15], from the Holy Spirit and from the virgin Mary [Luke 1:35], so that He might overcome sin. Further, it explains that He suffered, died, and was buried so that He might make satisfaction for me and pay what I owe [1 Corinthians 15:3-4], not with silver or gold, but with His own precious blood [1 Peter 1:18-19]. And He did all this in order to become my Lord. He did none of these things for Himself, nor did He have any need for redemption.
- After that He rose again from the dead, swallowed up and devoured death [1 Corinthians 15:54], and finally ascended into heaven and assumed the government at the Father's right hand [1 Peter 3:22]. He did these things so that the devil and all powers must be subject

to Him and lie at His feet [Hebrews 10:12-13] until finally, at the Last Day, He will completely divide and separate us from the wicked world, the devil, death, sin, and such [Matthew 25:31-46; 13:24-30, 47-50].

Yes, the entire Gospel that we preach is based on this point, that we properly understand this article as that upon which our salvation and all our happiness rests. It is so rich and complete that we can never learn it fully.

Hymn

TLH 200:5-8 "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

Sermon 1 Corinthians 15:54-57 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." **55** "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" **56** The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. **57** But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ: The Death of Death!

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

Offertory

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

Hymn

TLH 211:1-5 "Lo, Judah's Lion Wins the Strife"

The Offering of Thankful Hearts

The Easter Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

- P: The LORD bless you and keep you.The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C: ♪ Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn TLH 191 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

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ONGOING IMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

Please keep these individuals in your personal prayers

- Pastor John Hein from Grace, Fridley, MN with Thymic cancer
- Marlene Hanel
- James Lien- Cancer Treatments

LAST WEEK

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Туре	# Souls
Old Main/ AZ Pioneer Home	Yes	11:00 AM	2 nd , 4 th Monday	Worship	17
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	19
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Ladies Auxiliary	Yes	2:00 PM	4 th Wednesday	Study	7
Pond's View	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	18
Old Main	Yes	1:00 PM	Every Thursday	Study	11
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	24
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					

THIS WEEK

Sat Mar 30	6:00p	Easter Worship	
Sun Mar 31	7:00a	Easter Sunrise Service	
	7:45a	Easter Pancake Breakfast	
	10:00a	Easter Worship	
		Live Stream- www.ImmanuelMankato.org	
		Watch - www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/	
Mon April 1		Blessings on your week!	
Tues April 2	7:00p	Outreach Meeting	
Wed April 3	12:45p	Televised Worship Service, Charter #181; Cons Com #7	
	5:00p	Catechism Class	
Thur April 4	6:15p	Church Choir Practice	
Fri April 5	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study	
Sat April 6	6:00p	WORSHIP Communion Weekend	
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School	
Sun April 7	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School / Ambassadors	
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM	
	10:00a	WORSHIP Communion Weekend	

UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Clean Up Day- April 13th Cemetery Clean Up Day- April 20th

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS The Easter flowers up front are in loving memory of these saints who have passed before us into eternal glory! Blessed be their memory!

Herb & Eleanor Hoffman Herb Jr. Jerry Salfer Jamie Hanel Earl Gerbracht **Roman Schrever** Lowell Schreyer Myrtle Schreyer **Ruth Meyer** Arthur & Erna Hanel Carol Hanel Gary Hanel Clarence & LaVerne Anderson Wally & Bertha Frank Donald Drusch Gayle Monson **Bernard Heller** Carol Brenner Odella & Harold Brenner Carole Busch Robert Becker Sr Herb Geiger Kim Born Fred & Ardelia Bruns Harold Wolle Troy Stelter Margaret & Walter Wolff Bennett & Hellen Olmanson Gert & El Stavenau Ruben & Doris Mau Armand Timm Jack & Edna Casto Jinette Whitney Desirae Naumann Adolf & Henriette Ehlbeck Thomas & Katie Bonde Tammy Sieg

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Harvey & Nora Cook Gerhardt Mueller Muriel Schwartz Norbert & Celeste Reim Don & Ruth Heinze Bernice Mueller Roy & Ruth Jesness Richard & Charlotte Dick

SOPHOMORE FUNDRAISER Mother's Day is fast approaching, and the Sophomore Class of 2026 is raising money for their DC trip next year. Once again, we are selling flower baskets, however, we are ordering from a local vendor this year instead of our previous supplier. The baskets are high quality and come in a variety of different arrangements. Color arrangements are random though. Each basket is \$25.00 and 100% of profits will go to the DC Trip. Please contact a sophomore to place an order. You can also find them after the Church services. If you have questions please contact me by email <u>benjamin.hanel@immanuelmankato.org</u> or by phone 507-508-2748.

CEMETERY CLEAN UP The Pilgrims Rest Cemetery Board invites you to participate in this year's cleanup day on Saturday, April 20th (if weather is bad, alt date Apr 27th). We are planning on a 9:30 am start and continue through mid-afternoon. Lunch and drinks will be provided for all volunteers. Tasks mainly are picking up debris, sticks, raking leaves, and edging stones. Please bring gloves and a rake. If you have any questions please contact Tony Harris via email: <u>anthony.j.harris.222@gmail.com</u> or phone: (507) 382-3081. We hope you'll come out and join us!

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY Confirmation Day 2024 is coming up on Sunday, April 28th. There will be a display in the narthex for each of the confirmands. The congregation is welcome to place cards and any items of encouragement there. What a blessing a church family is for these young people!

MOLE INFESTATION Pilgrims Rest Cemetery has a mole infestation. A lack of volunteers over the past few years has allowed the mole population to increase substantially. The moles dig around the flat stones and monuments causing them to tilt and /or sink leading to complaints from families. The board is looking for approximately 6 volunteers willing to donate 1-2 hours a week to assist with mole control. If you are interested in volunteering, please speak with Tony Harris for further details. Email: <u>anthony.j.harris.222@gmail.com</u> or phone: (507) 382-3081.



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Serving Us Today

PASTOR Joe Naumann DEACON (7am) Brent Schreyer (Reg) Joel Enter ORGANIST (7am) Colleen Kranz (Reg) Bonnie Cornish SCREEN (Sat) Joe Furst (Sun) Russ Schmitt GREETERS (Sun) Ben & Michelle Stratton USHERS Council Members

Serving Us Next Weekend

PASTOR Joe Naumann DEACON Brent Schreyer ORGANIST Grace Schreyer GREETERS Jay & Kelly Hanel COUNTERS Lee & Kristen Becker & Ross & Jen Theneman USHERS Kyle Hulke, Karl Friedrichs, Riley Anderson, Aaron Casto, Mac Friedrichs, Matt Hagen, Austin Hart, Andrew Lentz, Gary Mittelsteadt, Alan Olmanson, Brent Schreyer, Ted Schreyer, Philip Stelter, Ross Theneman