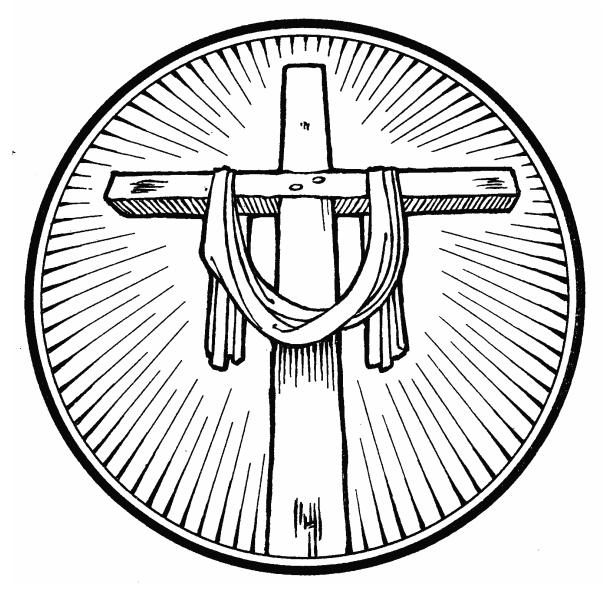
# The Resurrection of Our Lord March 31, 2024





"Find Peace Here"

Serving Him this week as...

Worship	Pastor Daniel Vang
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Musician	Gospel Group
Reader	Bruce Betts, Eric Baer, Norma Ceccardi, Kyle Swan, Amy Swan and Krista
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Ushers	
Altar Guild	Karen Fontaine

# Says Who?

#### As We Gather

When Isaiah wrote about God's plans in terms of a feast, people may have wondered, "Says who?" The prophecy wasn't clear, and the resurrection of Jesus was still centuries in the future. If the women at the tomb decided to tell someone later, they might not have been believed. But today's Epistle includes a list of those who did hear and see Jesus Himself, including Paul, who had persecuted the church. We are here because untold millions of our brothers and sisters heard God's Word, came to faith, and couldn't keep the news to themselves. Who told you? Whom will you tell? And if anyone asks, "Says who?" invite them to join us in worship to hear for themselves.

# **Opening Sentences**

Psalm 118:24

- P The light of Christ!
- C Thanks be to God!
- P All of you choirs of angels and saints in heaven before us:
- **C** Rejoice at Christ's victory over death.
- P Now, heaven and earth, even all of creation:
- **C** Rejoice, for the eternal darkness has been defeated.
- P Rejoice, brothers and sisters in Christ both here and around the world!
- **C** Our Lord has kept all God's promises!
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- **P** This is the day that the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!

## 457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

- 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!
- 2 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!
- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- △4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

  Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!

  Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!

  Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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#### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the 

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

- **P** We cannot enter God's presence as we are. Our sinful condition falls short of the glory of God. Let us therefore give voice to those sins, confessing our faults and failures to one another and to God Himself.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Rejoice and be glad! God has not merely overlooked your faults; He has not missed your failures; and He knows the frailty of the human condition. Rather, He became one of us as Jesus, who died to pay for every sin or yours and your sinfulness itself. Jesus not only paid the penalty; on this day our heavenly Father proclaimed to all the world that He accepted the payment. Your sins are forgiven indeed!

In the stead and by the command of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore 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!

## 475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

- 1 Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!Now is the triumph of our King!To all the world glad news we bring:Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way; Let all the world rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Praise we in songs of victory
  That love, that life which cannot die,
  And sing with hearts uplifted high:
  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord, And sing today with one accord The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Allelu1a, allelu1a, allelu1a
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#### Salutation

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

# Prayer of the Day

- 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 celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit;
- P through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## Psalm 16 responsive

Pastor: For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.

Men: Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge.

Women: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from You."

Men: As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

Women: The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

Pastor: For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.

Men: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot.

Women: The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Men: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

Women: I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Pastor: For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.

Men: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

Women: You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 25:6-9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

<sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

<sup>8</sup>He will swallow up death forever;

and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

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

#### Gradual

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

- **P** Christ has risen from the dead.
- **C** God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.
- P He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;
- **C** He has put all things under His feet.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:1–11

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

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

Holy Gospel Mark 16:1–8

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.
- **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

# Hymn In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song This Cornerstone this solid ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm What heights of love what depths of peace When fears are stilled when strivings cease My Comforter my all in all Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless Babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

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## Sermon: This is Our God - Rev. Daniel Vang

# Prayer of the Church

P Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. He lives to intercede for us before the Father. With confidence, let us present to God our petitions for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus.

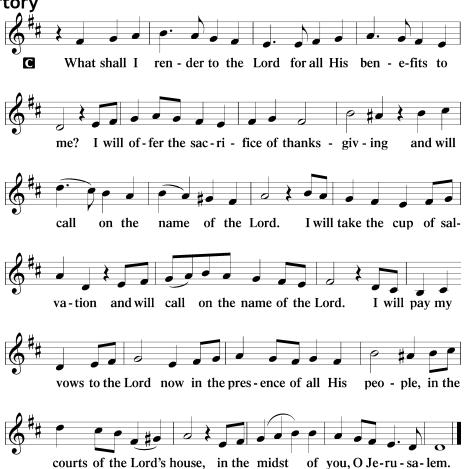
For the holy Christian Church throughout the world, that it may be found without fault at the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

- For all believers in the Lord Jesus that their lives may testify to His resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the peace of the whole world, that a spirit of respect may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For those in positions of public trust in all levels of government, that they may serve justice and promote the welfare and dignity of every person, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who suffer because of poverty, persecution, or sickness, [especially . . .], and all others we name in our hearts [silence], that they may know the healing power of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For those who grieve because of the death of their loved ones, [especially . . .], that through the sure hope of the resurrection of Christ, God would wipe away the tears from their eyes and give them comfort, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth God's glory in all that we do, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all who come this day to the feast of our Lord's body and blood, that their faith be strengthened, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
- C Amen.
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# Offering

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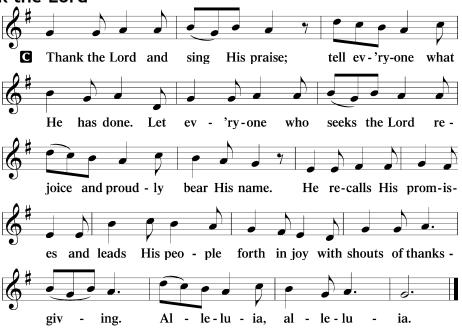
## Lord's Prayer

C 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.

#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Thank the Lord LSB 181



#### **Benediction**

- C Amen.

## 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

#### **Dismissal**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- **P** Go in peace as you serve our living Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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### **CONNECT**

#### **Sunday Service with Communion**

Please join us for Sunday service at 10am.

If you are not able to join us in person, our Sunday Services will be available on YouTube or Facebook. You can access the links on our website at <a href="https://www.mountolivefolsom.com">www.mountolivefolsom.com</a>.

## **Lutheran Basics Class**

Starting March 10th Sunday mornings from 9-9:45am, Pastor Dan is going to be holding a basics class that'll cover the Small Catechism, LCMS, and Mount Olive's history. This class is open to all: for those interested in becoming members of Mount Olive and for those interested in refreshing yourselves in what we believe, teach, and confess. We'll be meeting in the classroom behind the narthex.

## **CULTIVATE**

#### This Week at Mount Olive

Men's Bible Study – Men's Bible Study meets Saturdays at 8am in the Annex.

Women's Bible Study – Ladies' Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 9:30am at 110 Dyrell Way. Please contact Inge Rhodes with any questions.

All – Sunday at 9am in the Annex We offer Sunday School for 3rd through 8th grades at 9am and Preschool through 2nd grade during 10am Worship Service after the Children's Message.

Christian Fellowship Lunch – Third Thursdays at noon in the Annex. Please bring your own lunch and come join us this Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at noon! Please contact Norma Ceccardi with any questions. 530-889-1763.

## **Sunday School**

Sunday School for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades is taking a break for the Easter season on March 31 and April 7. We rejoice in the Good News that our Lord is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! We will finish our spring lesson series in the Old Testament beginning April 14.

# **Sacramento Youth Gathering**

Mark your calendars! Our next Sacramento Youth Gathering will be April 20th. Time TBD

## **Redeeming Technology**

Pastor Trevor Sutton will be giving a two-day presentation on social media awareness and developing healthy technology habits. Please contact Pastor Daniel for more information. April 26, 6-8:30pm and April 27, 10-11.30am.

# **CONTRIBUTE**

#### **Volunteers Needed**

WE are looking for volunteers to take on the task of keeping our street signage up to date. If you are interested, please reach out to Pastor Daniel or contact the office at 916-985-2984.

## **LWML**

LWML district convention "Gifted to serve by God's Grace" is April 19-21st. Please see Lana for an application package to the convention. And any questions that you might have. In-gathering for the convention is Good News Rescue Mission-socks, hand and bath towels. Lifenet family resource and pregnancy center of Tehama county-diapers, wipes, clothing, clothes, bottles, booties, etc. Lana Sullivan will be attending and will deliver these items to the convention. If you can bring socks, hand and bath towels, diapers, wipes, baby clothing, bottles, booties, etc. to the narthex by April 14th, they will be delivered to the district convention in Redding to Good News Rescue and Lifenet. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Save the date-LWML Spring Rally at Messiah Lutheran May the 11, topic-Sisters of the Heart.

## **Prayer Requests and Praises**

Please pray for Dennis as he continues his recovery. Please pray that he continues to regain his strength and heal completely.

Please also pray for Marilyn Guerreiro's sister Peggy. Pray that her doctor's will have wisdom in directing her in the treatment of her health. Pray for healing and recovery.

If you have a prayer request, please feel free to call the office to add it to the prayer chain as well as the Prayer Request/Praise section of the weekly announcements.

# **Online Giving**

There are two convenient ways to give online. Either by using the "Joyful Response Giving" on the website at <a href="https://www.mountolivefolsom.com/joyful-response-giving">https://www.mountolivefolsom.com/joyful-response-giving</a> or via Paypal. Simply log on to your Paypal Account, select "SEND" and type in Mount Olive Lutheran Church of Folsom California. We always accept checks, but we do have a limit as to how many we can deposit monthly, so if online giving is an option for you, rest assured, it is easy, safe and secure.