

# Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

April 3, 2016 – Easter 2 - Pastor Mark Voss

OPENING HYMN - "*Morning Breaks upon the Tomb*"

CW 159

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**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.**

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 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.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD HAVE MERCY

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.

**C: Amen.**

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## O LORD, OUR LORD



O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.



Al-might-y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our life with your love.



You take a - way our sin; you com - fort our spir - it;



you make us pure and ho - ly in your sight.



You did not spare your on - ly Son, but gave him up for us all.



O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word of the Fa-ther, you came to live with us;



you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood.



You are the King of glo - ry; you are the Lord!



O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by your Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

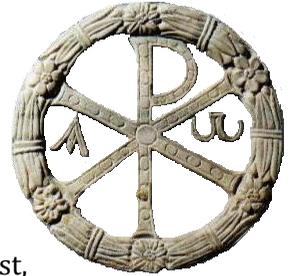
C: Amen.

## THE WORD

### EPISTLE - *Revelation 1:4-8* - The faithful witness

John, To the seven churches in the province of Asia: Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father--to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."



### VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

John 20:29b



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! These words are writ-ten that



we may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

### GOSPEL - *John 20:19-31* - My Lord and My God

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. 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. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "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." Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **PSALM 16 – on page 68 in Christian Worship**

**SERMON**

**Psalm 16**

# **The Easter Impact – Security**

## **Worship**

<sup>1</sup>Keep me safe, O God, for in you I take refuge. <sup>2</sup>I said to the LORD, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing." <sup>3</sup>As for the saints who are in the land, they are the glorious ones in whom is all my delight. <sup>4</sup>The sorrows of those will increase who run after other gods. I will not pour out their libations of blood or take up their names on my lips.

## **Contentment**

<sup>5</sup>LORD, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure. <sup>6</sup>The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.

## **At the LORD's right hand**

<sup>7</sup>I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me. <sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

## **Joy**

<sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, <sup>10</sup>because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. <sup>11</sup>You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in God our Lord and Father in heaven, who made us the crown of his creation, and preserves us with every good thing, that we may live before him in peace and joy.

I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, God's only Son from eternity, who became a man for us sinners. He redeemed us from Satan's power with his holy precious blood, rose from death, and made us his own to live with him now and forever.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who draws us to our Savior by the Gospel, who keeps us united in the true faith, forgives our sin, and at the end of the world will raise us from death to eternal life. I believe in the Triune God. Amen.

## **OFFERING AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## **THE SACRAMENT**

*Our church practices membership communion.  
We ask that only members partake of the sacrament.*

P: The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms and placed all things under his feet for the benefit of the Church. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your



glo-ry. You are my God, and I will ex-alt you. I will give you thanks, for



you have be-come my sal - va-tion. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo-ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a-way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.

## THANKSGIVING



Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## BENEDICTION

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

## CLOSING VERSE - "This Joyful Eastertide"

CW 160 v 2

**Death's flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river;  
 Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver.  
 Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst his three-day prison,  
 Our faith had been in vain: But now is Christ a-risen,  
 Arisen, arisen; But now is Christ arisen.**

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – April 3

Today: 8 & 10:30a Worship with Communion  
9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School  
12p Catechism  
Tuesday: 7p Call Meeting  
Wednesday: 7p Senior Choir  
Thursday: 8a Breakfast Bible Study  
6p Elders  
7p Worship  
7:45p Bible Study  
Sunday: 8 & 10:30a Worship  
9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School  
9:15a Finance Board  
12p Catechism  
3p Teen Group

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALL MEETING:** Tuesday from 7-8p we will meet to Call a replacement for Claire Natsis who has accepted a call to Michigan.

**THANK YOU:** I want to thank everyone who attended my 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday party, and also for the cards and kind messages. What a blessing to be a member of such a caring congregation. Edna Mae Schooley

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website [corchurch.com](http://corchurch.com) and click on Video Broadcast.