



April 5, 2026, 10:00 am
The Resurrection of Our Lord
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GATHERING

The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Call to Worship

"Easter Joy!" by Allen Pote

Choir and Narrator

Gathering Hymn

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

ELW 365 v 1-2, 4

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!

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!

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

ELW pp. 140-141

(Refrain:) This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. *(Refrain)*

Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his. *(Refrain)*

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *(Refrain)*

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. *(Refrain)*

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Sunrise" by Houston Bright

Sunrise Six

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

¹ If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

ELW p. 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

¹ After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!”

ELW 377

Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

(Refrain:) Jesus is risen and we shall arise. Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Walking the way, Christ in the center telling the story to open our eyes;
breaking our bread, giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. (Refrain)

Jesus the vine, we are the branches; life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
heaven to earth, Christ to the people, gift of the future now flowing to me. (Refrain)

Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent: death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: O grave, be open! Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. (Refrain)

City of God, Easter forever, golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and archangels, sing with creation to God the I AM! (Refrain)

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Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

As petitions conclude: “Merciful God” respond “receive our prayer.”

Sharing of God's Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering & Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

ELW p. 144

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW p. 144

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer *(please feel free to pray your preferred version of the 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

Communion Hymn

"Now the Green Blade Rises"

ELW 379

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again;
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

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Communion Blessing & Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING _____ *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Blessing

Sending Hymn

“Thine is the Glory”

ELW 376

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

(Refrain:) Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb!
Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom;
let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting! *(Refrain)*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;
make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. *(Refrain)*

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875-1939; Public Domain

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

We Hold in Prayer this Week

Those Grieving: Sam and Suzy Lavis and Family at the death of Sam's mother, Darcy Kelly; family and friends of Mayumi's brother, friends of Surridges.

God's Healing Presence: Kathy Trosvig; Steve Olsen; Curtis Birkliid; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd; Elizabeth Ritchie; Gayle & Dave's niece Amanda; Beth's friend Kamm & sister-in-law, Megan; Debbie's friends Larry and Alana; Surridges' friends Barby & Larry, Hedy, Alex and Collins; Ed & Evie Bishop; Peggy & Dave's friend Martin Olson; Joan's father; Dave's friend, Julie Bolser, and niece, Leile Defolo; John, Guillermo, Monica, Cecilia, Sofia and Rosamaria; Val, Jill Johnson's mom.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: For immigrants living in fear. For nations and peoples in the midst of warfare. For refugees seeking safety.

Announcements

We welcome the *Sunrise Six* who are visiting us today from Kamiak High School in Mukilteo and offering special music. Thank you for being with us!

The Transition Team has come to the point in its work where it is ready to share information with the congregation. This is great news, and many thanks are due to the faithful members who have been meeting weekly since the team began. On Sunday April 12 and April 19, following the service, team members will be on hand to receive your comments and reflections. The congregation will receive information in writing from the team prior to the April 12th forum. This is not a formally called congregational meeting but rather a forum at which to offer time for discussion and feedback. If all goes well at the forums, your Council will call a congregational meeting for Sunday, April 26 for the purpose of electing a six-person call committee. Details about that meeting will be available shortly.

Mission of the Month ELCA World Hunger works with and through congregations and other partners to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, ELCA World Hunger supports sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty.

Sewers Needed We have numerous quilts that need the binding sewn down. The quilts are tied and the binding pinned down. If you are a sewer, please take a couple! Contact Debbie Ritchie for more information.

No Sunday School on Sunday April 5 (Easter) or Sunday April 12 (spring break). Sunday School will resume on Sunday April 19.



Easter Flowers Given by

Paul & Duane Gleave, in memory of our parents

Laurie & Peter VanderWeyst, in memory of Laurie's brother, Martin

Greg & Barbara Lichneckert, in honor of our parents

Karen Fox, in memory of Vera, John, Rosalie & David L.

Dave Finstad, in memory of my parents and grandparents

Janis Ahern, in memory of loved ones

Ron, Kathy & Kris Olsen, in memory of Joann & Leslie Olsen

Paul Hoffman, in memory of Gary Overfield

Dave & Peggy Kurtz

Debbie Ritchie

Kelli Trosvig

This Week at Central

Sunday, April 5

- 8:45 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Friends Worship
- 10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship
- 11:00 am Academia Latina Easter Celebration
- 11:30 am Academia Latina English Practice
- 1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group
- 2:30 pm Marshallese Worship
- 5:00 pm Sunday Supper
- 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Tuesday, April 7

- 6:00 pm Academia Latina
- 7:00 pm Transition Team

Wednesday, April 8

- 8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
- 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Thursday, April 9

- 8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
- 6:00 pm Academia Latina
- 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Sunday, April 12

- 8:45 am Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship
- 11:30 am Academia Latina
- 1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group
- 2:30 pm Marshallese Worship
- 5:00 pm Sunday Supper (Central Hosting)
- 7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Worship Leaders	This Sunday, April 5	Next Sunday, April 12
Keyboard	Joan Dirska	Joan Dirska
Usher	Dave Finstad	Dave Finstad
Lectors	Kelli Trosvig	Barb Lichneckert
Assisting Minister	Jonathan Todd	Peter Lee
Communion Bread	Haines Family	Haines Family
Fellowship Host	No fellowship	Rosamaria Casablanca
YouTube Operator	Jonathan Todd	Jonathan Todd
Altar Guild	Debbie Ritchie	Debbie Ritchie
Interpreter	Rosamaria Casablanca	Rosamaria Casablanca

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