

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

APRIL 5, 2026

“He is Risen! He is Risen, indeed!” This traditional Easter morning greeting has been shared by Christians for centuries. It is a both a confession of faith and an expression of joy. Yet, on that first Easter morning, it was less of a confession and more a question. What took the disciples from wondering to witnessing? The Risen Christ! Welcome to Christ The King Lutheran Church. ...Pastor Jason Cashmer

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THE BELLS

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Gone Chancel Choir and Orchestra

1. Why are you looking among the dead for something to build your life on?
The tears are still falling, the linen’s still red, but the Savior who wore them is gone.
2. His friends all around Him somehow didn’t get the story He’d told all along.
We’ve all seen it written, we’ve all heard it said you don’t know what you got ‘til it’s gone.

Chorus 1: And the women came running out, changed forever by what they’d found,
Love’s beating heart had burst through the dark and left with the dawn
And the angels could finally sing, “All praise to our Risen King!”
Hope has arrived! He is alive! Jesus is gone, gone.

3. We are forgiven, and we have been saved, no longer condemned by our wrongs;
Because of the one who was not in that grave, the last time He’d ever be gone.

Chorus 2: And the women came running out, changed forever by what they’d found,
Love’s beating heart had burst through the dark and left with the dawn
And the angels could finally sing, “All praise to our Risen King!”
Hope has arrived! He is alive! Jesus is gone.

Bridge: My shame is all gone, my sins are all gone, all the shadows are gone.
My shame is all gone, my sins are all gone, all the shadows are gone,
Jesus is gone! *Repeat Chorus 1, followed by verse 4*

4. Why are you looking among the dead for something to build your life on?
Look to the One who was not in that grave, the last time He’d ever be gone.

THE OPENING HYMN MEDLEY

Congregation, Choir and Orchestra

He's Risen, He's Risen

LSB #480

1. He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
He opened death's prison, the incarnate, true Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song
And earth, sea and mountains their praises prolong.
2. The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.
3. But short was their triumph, the Savior arose,
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes;
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high.
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

LSB #461

1. I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living Head.
5. He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.
7. 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.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

LSB #477

1. Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise;
He who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled—
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.
3. Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high:

Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia to the triune Majesty!

THE INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

THE HYMN

Congregation, Choir and Orchestra

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

Hallelujah! Jesus lives! He is now the Living One;
From the gloomy house of death forth the Conqueror has gone,
Bright Forerunner to the skies of His people, yet to rise.

Jesus lives! Let all rejoice; praise Him, ransomed ones of earth.
Praise Him in a nobler song, cherubim of heav'nly birth.
Praise the Victor King, whose sway sin and death and hell obey.

Jesus lives! And thus, my soul, life eternal waits for thee;
Joined to Him, thy living Head, where He is, thou, too, shalt be;
With Himself, at His right hand, Victor over death shalt stand.

Hallelujah, angels, sing! Join us in our hymn of praise;

Let your chorus swell the strain which our feebler voices raise:
Glory to our God above and on earth His peace and love!

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 4:8-12

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders,
⁹ if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰ let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹ This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹² And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Colossians 3:1-4

¹ If then 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 things that are above, not on 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 appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND FIRST FRUIT GIVING

Musical Offering

Praise the Risen Lamb

Chancel Choir and Orchestra

His first step from the empty grave, our history forever changed.

The keys of hell gripped in His hands, the doors swung wide to live again.

Death, O death, where is your sting? The serpent crushed beneath His feet.

Mercy triumphed over shame, His first step from the empty grave!

Oh praise the risen Lamb! The Great I AM!
Forever we will sing! Oh praise the King of kings!
His majesty! Forever we will sing! Oh praise!

He's seated now upon the throne, the greatest story ever known.
And one day we will rise again to join the praises of the Lamb!
With all the saints, we'll cast our crowns before the One who laid His down.
With "Holy, Holy" on our lips, forever we will worship Him!

Oh praise the risen Lamb! The Great I AM!
Forever we will sing! Oh praise the King of kings!
His majesty! Forever we will sing! Oh praise! Praise! Praise the risen Lamb!
Oh praise! Praise! Praise the risen Lamb!

For God so love this world He gave His one and only Son to save.
And those who put their faith in Him, the grave, it will not be the end!
The grave, it will not be the end! Oh praise the risen Lamb! The Great I AM!
Forever we will sing! Oh praise the King of Kings!
His Majesty! Forever we will sing!

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Forever we will sing! Oh praise the King of kings!
His Majesty! Forever we will sing!
Oh praise! Praise! Praise the risen Lamb!
Oh praise! Praise! Praise the risen Lamb!

THE INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung*)

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SERMON HYMN

Congregation, Choir and Orchestra

Because He Lives

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus,
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,

An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

*Chorus: Because He lives I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future.
And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride, and joy he gives;
But greater still the calm assurance,
This child can face uncertain days because He lives. *Chorus*

And then one day I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory;
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives. *Chorus*

THE EASTER MESSAGE

Pastor Jason Cashmer

Matthew 28:1-10

¹ Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING HYMN

Congregation, Choir and Orchestra

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!

Men: **But the pains which He endured,**

All: Alleluia!

Women: Our salvation have procured;

All: Alleluia!

Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Men: **Sing we to our God above,**

All: Alleluia!

Women: Praise eternal as His love;

All: Alleluia!

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

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Choir: Amen! Alleluia! Amen! Alleluia! Amen! Alleluia!

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*No Adult Bible Classes or Sunday School
Easter Breakfast, 7:30 to 11:00 a.m.*

Next Weekend at CTK

April 11 and 12, 2026

Preaching:

Pastor PJ Brooks

Music:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Duet/Instrumental

Sunday 9:00

Instrumental

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Praise Band