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Worship:

Saturday: 6:15 p.m.

Sunday: 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. *(Located in the church basement)*

Sunday Morning Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Class: 10:45 a.m.

Office Hours:

Monday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.;

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; *(12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch)*

Friday, 9 a.m. – Noon

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From the Pastor

Grace, mercy and peace to you all from God our Father through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

I pray that you all are well and safe. With the COVID vaccine now being administered, our attendance is increase. If you have not yet gathered with us for worship, let me know when you will and are able to return.

I am including activities and learning suggestions for you and your children of all ages. I hope this will deepen your appreciation and understand of the Divine Service.

For younger children

*Word Search: **Risen/Resurrection***

[Underline or highlight this word or phrase throughout the Divine Service]

A Sunday School lesson can be found at our website: www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org

5th graders and older: Mark the service with directional arrows [↗] as to show what direction the interaction between God, us and with each other is taking place. Use these symbols to indicate our posture during the service | - standing in respect; ⊔ - kneeling to receive a blessing or show respect; ⊞ - humbly sitting to receive from the Lord].

The coloring page can be saved in Paint 3D for your children and you to color on the computer screen.

Also, have those who can read, answer the questions found throughout the Divine Service. They can highlight or underline the answers usually found above the questions.

For older children especially those who are in or have in the past studied Luther's Small Catechism

Where is this found in the Luther's Small Catechism? Put *LSC* in the margin and the section [*Ten Commandments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, Baptism, Office of the Keys, or the Lord's Supper*] of the catechism where this teaching can be found. [*ex: LSC-Baptism*]

A Bible Study on one of the lessons can be found at our website:

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Adults/parents

You may find this helpful to do the above also, even the drawing and coloring.

For the youngest of your children, draw a cross or a picture, if your talent so allows, anywhere in the Divine Service and let your little ones color them.

Another exercise you can do is to journal your thoughts on the Word and the following service. Each day read through a section and journal your thoughts and/or insights you may have. If you know to insert and use "Text Box" that is a good way to do it. You may also go to "References" and use "Foot Note" to record your thoughts or insight.

Registering for afterschool Catechizing Classes

With public schools going to remote learning and Vision Way still offering full day classes, the afterschool catechizing classes are going to take on a new look. Remote learning without video capabilities will be offered for those who register for remote learning. Small group sessions can be arranged pending the students' schedule. Once you know their schedules let me know.

Contact the church office to register or if you have any questions.

God bless, keep and increase your faith in Christ as you now read, mark and inwardly digest His Word.

Pass This On From the office of the Central Illinois District LCMS

Easter

"He is not here!" Such good news, but such an odd choice of words. We hear these words from the angel in the Bible reading from Mark this Sunday. Mark describes the angel as a young man. But we know from other places in the Bible that this is an angel, there to deliver this good news.

Some of the women who had been following Jesus are there at the tomb, early on Easter morning, to care for Jesus' body. There wasn't time on Friday when the soldiers took Him down from the cross, and His followers laid Him in a tomb. The women love Jesus. They are coming to care for Him in the best way they know how.

But **"He is not here,"** they hear. Why? **"He has risen"** from the dead! Just as Jesus promised, the grave cannot hold Him. Death is defeated. Sin is paid for. The Fall into Sin of the first parents, Adam and Eve, no more has hold over the fate of mankind. Instead, in Christ, man shall not die but shall live and call upon the name of the Lord.

The women trembled with astonishment and fear as they ran away. Their hearts and minds couldn't quite grasp this wonderful news. Though they will, soon.

We are tempted to think that **"He is not here"** even today. That is, that Jesus isn't present with us in the church service on Sundays. Or, when things go wrong, that Jesus isn't with us any longer and doesn't care for us. But none of this is true. Whenever Christians gather to hear the good news of Christ's death and resurrection for our sins, Jesus *is* present. He *is* here. He continues to care for you. Jesus promises, **"Behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."**

Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday is the big one. Jesus isn't in the tomb. He is risen!

WORSHIP FOLDER
THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD—EASTER DAY

He Has Risen; He Is Not Here

April 3 & 4, 2021

As We Gather

Though Christmas may be our favorite, Paul reminds us that Easter is of “first importance.” If Christ had not arisen, our hope would be still locked in the tomb. Because He is risen, just as He said, we have hope of our own resurrection from the dead and look forward to the life everlasting, which death cannot touch. We come here today not simply to remember an event but to rejoice in the future made possible for us because of what happened. Before the world we confess that Jesus’ resurrection is not a hope but a fact witnessed by more than five hundred and on that fact God has built a future for us—one we anticipate now even as we wait to see it fulfilled.



PREPARATION

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

P Merciful and loving Father, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by our sinful actions and our failure to do the good You desire. We pray You to grant to the penitent absolution and peace, that freed from the burden of guilt they enjoy the gift of a clear conscience.

C **Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Because Jesus rose from the dead, He is able to do what for us?

Entrance Rite

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

- P Lord Jesus Christ, our Paschal Lamb who was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world:
C **have mercy on us.**
- P Lord Jesus Christ, who by Your death has destroyed death, and by Your rising to life again has restored to us eternal life:
C **have mercy on us.**
- P Lord Jesus Christ, who rose early in the morning on the first day of the week and did first appear to Mary Magdalene:
C **have mercy on us.**
- P Lord Jesus Christ, who appeared to Your disciples proclaiming peace and breathed on them the Holy Spirit:
C **have mercy on us.**
- P Lord Jesus Christ, who revealed Yourself to Thomas with the marks of Your suffering and who commended the faith of those who have not seen and yet believed:
C **have mercy on us.**
- P By Your suffering and dying:
C **deliver us from sin, its guilt, and its punishment.**
- P By Your glorious resurrection:
C **deliver us from this body of death.**
- P By the majesty of Your risen body:
C **deliver us from the weakness of this mortal life and lead us to eternity.**
- P Set our minds on things above, that we may walk in love in this earthly journey and that we may dwell with You forever in the heavenly places of light and life.
C **Grant that we may live in Easter joy today and all the days of our lives until we attain its eternal joys in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

463 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia

- 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!
At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
- 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!
Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

- 3 Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia!
Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
- 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!
All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

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Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord T Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **Amen.**

This Is the Feast *LSB 155*

- C **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.

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**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.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Prayer of the Day

- P 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; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Because Jesus has risen from the dead, He opened what for us?

WORD

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 25:6–9*

⁶On 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.

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

⁸He 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.

⁹It 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.

Because Jesus has risen from the dead, He has done what for us?

Psalm

P ¹Preserve me, O God,
for in you I take refuge.

C ²**I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.”**

P ³As for the saints in the land,
they are the excellent ones,
in whom is all my delight.

C **⁴The 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.**

P ⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.

C **⁶The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

P ⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.

C **⁸I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

P ⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

C **¹⁰For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
or let your holy one see corruption.**

P ¹¹You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

*Because Jesus has risen from the dead, we enjoy
what?*

Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:1–11

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

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But 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. ¹¹Whether 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.**

List or underline all the people that saw Jesus after His resurrection.

Verse 2 Timothy 1:10b

Alleluia. [Christ Jesus] abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Mark 16:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” ⁴And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶And 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. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸And 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.**

Why were the women astonished and trembling at the same time?

Highlight all the words and phrases that describe the benefits we receive because Jesus has risen from the dead.

461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

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.

2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save;

- He lives all-glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love;
He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed;
He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply;
He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint;
He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
- 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.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 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.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Sermon “**Astonished**” *Mark 16:1-8*

Introduction:

Salome, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses wake up early Sunday morning to go to the tomb of Jesus. They do so in order to finish the anointing of Jesus' body. They hadn't had enough time to properly prepare Jesus' body for burial after His crucifixion.

I can't say that they were afraid to go to the tomb. Oh, they may have the fear that we experience when we first visit the grave of a loved one. The sting of death is still very raw in our hearts. We are afraid of the tears and the pain that comes with visiting ones loved ones grave. Yet, there is no danger or risk to life and limb. We are just afraid of reliving the pain and the intense grief that comes with mourning the separation from a loved one.

The Scriptures do reveal that these women were concerned about the proper burial of a loved one and an obstacle that stood in their way. Who will roll away the stone?

They saw where Jesus was laid. They saw the stone rolled into place. Now, that stone had to be rolled back. Who was going to do it for them?

Worry, concern filled their hearts. But the unexpected would frighten them.

I. The Unexpected

Up ahead they saw that the stone was already rolled back. The grave was open. I imagine their hearts sank. They were not expecting this. What happened? Mary Magdalene would later reveal the fear that came into her heart. Someone had taken the body of Jesus.

We know that they were afraid. And when they looked into the tomb there they saw angels. This filled their hearts with fear. We know this because the angel said to them, "Don't be alarmed."

Think about it. Their intent is to finish burying Jesus in a proper manner. Now, they are seeing angels. It is too much to process.

The unexpected seems to have such an effect on us all. The death of a loved one, the sudden loss of health, the loss of a job and even our homes can cause us to be afraid. This past year has been filled with the unexpected. Who among us knew what 2020 would bring?

This time last year we announced that all Lenten, Holy Week and Easter services were cancelled. Most of us knew in the back of our minds that snow, ice and floods have cancelled services in the past. But who knew that a pandemic would happen in our life time.

For some, this past year was scary. Who would become infected? Who would be hospitalized? Who would die? We were afraid to go to stores, to restaurants and even to church. There was a danger that existed and we didn't want anything unexpected to happen to us.

We called on Christ to watch over us and to deliver us. Yet, we struggled with the unexpected and looked to Christ to be our stable rock, our unchanging hope in life and in all our struggles.

II. The Unbelievable Message

What the angel said next didn't seem to calm the fears of the women. "You seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here. He has risen."

Scriptures does not record for us a joyous outburst of praise on the part of the women. They are stunned. Scriptures said they were astonished. "Speechless" is the word that comes to mind. They were not processing what they were seeing and hearing.

Shouldn't good news move us to shout for joy? Shouldn't there be dancing in the street? Palm branches waving? People sing, "Hosanna in the Highest." Instead these women trembled at the news and were afraid.

They were afraid to tell others. The angel had instructed them to go and tell Peter and the disciples. This they did. They didn't know what would happen to them and the disciples when this news got out to the populous. They didn't know what was going to happen next. And besides, who would believe them. The message is too great, too vast to comprehend.

Think about the message you and I carry today. Who in the world will believe that a man who was crucified did so to pay the price of our sins? Who in the world will believe that a man on a cross suffered the wrath of God in our place? Who in the world will believe that the death of a man would win for us everlasting life?

Now, add on top of this, that this man raised Himself up from the dead and would ascend into heaven to sit at the right of His Father. Who is going to believe this as we so dearly cling to for the hope of our salvation? Who is going to believe that this man is also the Son of God, begotten of the Father from eternity?

The message is too unbelievable. It cannot be comprehended by our minds. And this can make us afraid of telling others. Except, we know that the Holy Spirit has worked in our hearts through the Word to create such a faith and He will work in the hearts of those who will listen to this most unbelievable message.

Conclusion:

In less than two months after this day, the disciples and these women whose hearts were filled with fear would boldly confess Jesus to be the Messiah, the Savior of the world. The unexpected has become the ultimate truth. Doubt would be replaced with certainty. Fear would be replaced with hope.

Our hearts are filled once again with the good news of Christ's death and resurrection. The fears of the past year are being dismissed. Our hope, our stability, our peace and comfort lies in these words. "He is risen."

T AMEN T

Creed

**C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,**

very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Gracious Father, help us believe that because Jesus lives, we, too, are made alive by faith and shall live with Him eternally.

C **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**

P Lift our vision from sin and death that we not despair nor grow weary of well-doing as we await the completion of all that our Lord began, and give us the will and desire to use our days to proclaim His victory to the ends of the earth.

C **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**

P Give Your blessing to Your Church and to her ministers, that we be called to faith and repentance, rejoice in Your merciful goodness, and be kept in the faith through the Means of Grace until the day when we are raised to everlasting life with Christ.

C **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**

P Give courage and discernment to the missionaries far and near and to those planting new congregations that they abound in the hope of the resurrection and that those who hear this Gospel be granted the Holy Spirit and faith.

- C Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**
- P Consider those whose lives are burdened by afflictions of the body, mind, or spirit, and who seek Your healing and strength. Deliver them according to Your merciful will, and sustain them in faith until their troubles and trials give way to the blessings of the resurrection and eternal life. [Hear us especially for names and those named in our hearts.]
- C Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**
- P Hear Your people on behalf of our nation and all our leaders, on behalf of all peoples and nations, for peace, justice, and freedom, and for the will to work together to relieve suffering and deliver the oppressed.
- C Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**
- P Guide us in the good use of the time, skills, abilities, and resources You provide so that we may support those in our care and serve the poor and those in need with the treasures of the Kingdom. Accept from our lips the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and from our hands the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart.
- C Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**
- P Remembering those who came to the tomb in sorrow and returned to their homes with the fear of the Lord in their hearts, receive our thanksgiving for the faithful who have gone before us. Give Your comfort to those who grieve the loss of those they love, [*especially . . .*], and bring us with them into Your nearer presence, where sorrow and tears are no more.
- C Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.**

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.**

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!

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466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

- 1 Christ has arisen, alleluia.
Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia.
For our Redeemer burst from the tomb,
Even from death, dispelling its gloom. Refrain
- ref Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy;
Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!
Jesus is living, alleluia!
- 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
Until its strength by God was dispersed.
He who gives life did death undergo;
And in its conquest His might did show. Refrain
- 3 The angel said to them, "Do not fear!
You look for Jesus who is not here.
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare;
Only the grave cloths are lying there." Refrain
- 4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
He has arisen this world to save.

Jesus' redeeming labors are done;
Even the battle with sin is won." Refrain

- 5 Christ has arisen; He sets us free;
Alleluia, to Him praises be.
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;
He reigns triumphant, heavenly King. Refrain

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741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

- 1 Jesus Christ, my sure defense
And my Savior, now is living!
Knowing this, my confidence
Rests upon the hope here given,
Though the night of death be fraught
Still with many_an anxious thought.
- 2 Jesus, my Redeemer, lives;
Likewise I to life shall waken.
He will bring me where He is;
Shall my courage then be shaken?
Shall I fear, or could the Head
Rise and leave His members dead?
- 3 No, too closely I am bound
By my hope to Christ forever;
Faith's strong hand the Rock has found,
Grasped it, and will leave it never;
Even death now cannot part
From its Lord the trusting heart.
- 4 I am flesh and must return
To the dust, whence I am taken;
But by faith I now discern
That from death I shall awaken
With my Savior to abide
In His glory, at His side.
- 5 Glorified, I shall anew
With this flesh then be enshrouded;
In this body I shall view
God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
In this flesh I then shall see
Jesus Christ eternally.

- 6 Then take comfort and rejoice,
 For His members Christ will cherish.
 Fear not, they will hear His voice;
 Dying, they will never perish;
 For the very grave is stirred
 When the trumpet's blast is heard.
- 7 Laugh to scorn the gloomy grave
 And at death no longer tremble;
 He, the Lord, who came to save
 Will at last His own assemble.
 They will go their Lord to meet,
 Treading death beneath their feet.
- 8 O, then, draw away your hearts
 From all pleasures base and hollow;
 Strive to share what He imparts
 While you here His footsteps follow.
 As you now still wait to rise,
 Fix your hearts beyond the skies!

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Thank the Lord *LSB 164*

- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
 Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
 He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
 with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Benediction *LSB 166*

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
 Amen

Dismissal

- P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
 C **Thanks be to God.**
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
 C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

- 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.

- 2 Alleluia, Christ is risen!
Death at last has met defeat:
See the ancient pow'rs of evil
In confusion and retreat;
Once He died, and once was buried:
Now He lives forevermore,
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer,
Whom we worship and adore.

- D 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!

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