# Closing Hymn "Amazing Grace" 576

Amazing Grace—how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far And grace will lead me home.

Please stand to sing the final stanza

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, we've no less days To sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Please be seated



# Easter Sunday

# THE FESTIVAL OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

By the second century, the feast of Easter had developed as an annual commemoration. The festival day was soon preceded by a 40-day time of fasting in preparation for the celebration, followed by a 50-day season of rejoicing concluded by Pentecost. The date for Easter differs from year to year because it is established by the phases of the moon (as was the Jewish festival of Passover). The Festival of the Resurrection is celebrated annually on the first Sunday after the first full moon (14th of Nisan in the Jewish calendar) after the spring equinox.

The early church saw Easter as something to be celebrated not just every year, but every week. Every Sunday is a "little Easter," celebrating the resurrection. But the annual celebration of Easter Sunday is the highest point of the church year. On this day, the church celebrates the resurrection of Christ from death and the restoration of life to those dead in trespasses and sins. All who have been buried with Christ through baptism are united with him in his resurrection and walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4,5). Today we celebrate Christ's victory over death, and the fact that because he lives, we also will live!

Easter Sunday also marks the return of "Alleluia," and the lighted Paschal Candle. During the season of Lent, we refrained from singing our most joyous songs of praise, including "Alleluia." The "Alleluia" returns today. Our Paschal Candle is also lighted and returned to its place of prominence near the altar. The Paschal Candle (from the Greek pascha meaning "Easter") symbolizes the

# For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### **Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my

₱ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, I of you; this is my ⊕ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Please be seated

## ♪ Distribution Hymn 441 in the Blue Hymnal

Please stand

M: Almighty God, we have celebrated with joy the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Now we ask for the help of your power that we may show the power of the resurrection in what we say and do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: 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.

C. Amen.

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Trinity Lutheran Church follows the ancient practice of close or member communion.

We ask that only members receive the Sacrament. If you have questions, please speak to the pastor.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

M: Blessed are you Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father, in love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven
Hallowed by 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.

resurrection victory over the darkness of sin and death.

It further emphasizes the presence of the resurrected Christ and the link between baptism and the resurrection (Romans 6:3 -5). Therefore the candle is used throughout the year at baptisms and funerals to mark the connection between new birth, Christian death, and the glorious resurrection. The Paschal Candle traditionally stands near the altar as a symbol of the resurrection and remains lit during the Sundays of Easter.

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Please stand

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

The day of Resurrection! 450
Earth tell it out abroad,
The passover of gladness,
The passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky.
Our Christ has brought us over
With hymns of victory.

M: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

M: The stone has been rolled away! Alleluia!

C: The crucified is risen! Alleluia!

M: Death, be not proud. Death, you shall die!

C: For Christ is risen!

M: He has destroyed the shroud that enfolds all people!

C: He has swallowed up the sheet that covers all nations!

M: He wipes away the tears from our faces.

C: He removes the disgrace of his people.

M: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Praise be to God!

Our hearts be pure from evil that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light and, list'ning to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain, his own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

M: Children of our risen Lord, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride, For sins of habit and sins of choice,

M: Take away our doubts and fears, and daily renew in us the joy of our salvation.

C: Alleluia!

M: Holy Spirit, God of grace, you have called us by the gospel and brought us to saving faith in our risen Lord.

C: We glorify you for opening our eyes to see the light of life.

M: Keep us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

C: He is risen!

M: As we journey through life, make us yearn for the day when you will give eternal life to us and all believers in Christ.

C: He is risen indeed!

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

M: Work through us as we proclaim the saving message of the crucified and risen Jesus near and far, so that many others may hear your call, obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, and join us before the throne of our God and of the Lamb.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia! Amen.

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M: For as in Adam all died, so in Christ all will be made alive.

### C: He is risen indeed!

M: He was delivered over to death for our sins and raised to life for our justification.

### C: Alleluia!

M: We marvel at the love you showed by your willingness to sacrifice your Son to pay for

our sins; we bow down in adoration at your mighty power, which raised him from the dead.

## C: We praise you for sending the true Life and Light into the world.

M: Lord Jesus, God of grace, you have filled our hearts with resurrection joy by your victory over sin, death, and the grave.

# C: You have conquered the darkness and given us comfort and hope.

M: With the Church of every age, we offer you unending praise, for you have crushed Satan's head and have removed our guilt.

## C: You are risen!

M: Dear Savior, we who are weary and burdened come to you for rest, knowing that be

cause of your perfect redemption there is now no condemnation for us.

## C: You are risen indeed!

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

You should cast me away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. By the death and resurrection of God's Son Jesus Christ, death has been swallowed up forever. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

New let the heav'ns be joyful, 450 let earth her song begin, let all the world keep triumph and all that is there-in. Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend, for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.

### **SALUTATION**

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.

### C: Amen.

Please be seated

Adult Choir "I will rise" 6:30am
Kid's Choir "Share the Easter joy" 9:30am

FIRST LESSON

Job 19:23-27

Oh how I wish that my words were written down.

Oh how I wish that they were inscribed in bronze,

that they would be engraved in rock forever with an iron tool and letters filled with lead.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives,

<sup>25</sup> As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the end of time he will stand over the dust.

Then, even after my skin has been destroyed, nevertheless, in my own flesh I will see God.

<sup>27</sup> I myself will see him.

My own eyes will see him, and not as a stranger. My emotions are in turmoil within me.

**PSALM OF THE DAY** Psalm 118

Please be seated

He is arisen! Glorious Word!
 Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
 the gates of heav'n are open.

Refrain

O hear what cheer! Christ victorious, rising glorious, Life is giving. He was dead but now is living!

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My Jesus did triumphant die, And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.

### Refrain

SERMON TEXT Mark 16 and Job 19

#### **OFFERING**

During the collection of the offering please sign our friendship registers found on pews near the aisle and as you enter the balcony.

Please stand

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Heavenly Father, God of grace, you have brought us into a new and living hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

C: Christ is risen!

#### SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If our hope in Christ applies only to this life, we are the

most pitiful people of all.

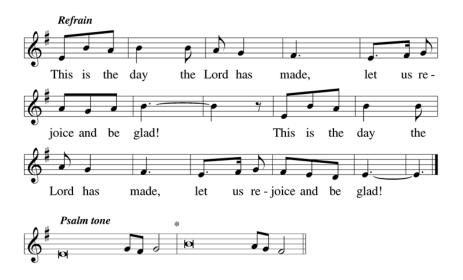
<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For since death came by a man, the resurrection of the dead also is going to come by a man. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam they all die, so also in Christ they all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ as the firstfruits and then Christ's people, at his coming. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has done away with every other ruler and every other authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign "until he has put all his enemies under his feet." <sup>26</sup>Death is the last enemy to be done away with. (EHV)

### GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8



When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so they could go and anoint Jesus. <sup>2</sup>Very early on the first day of the week, at sunrise, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They were saying to each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance to the tomb for us?" 4When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, 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, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'" <sup>8</sup>They went out and hurried away from the tomb, trembling and perplexed. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid. (EHV)





The LORD is my strength <u>and</u> my defense; he has become my sal<u>va</u>tion.
The LORD'S right hand is <u>lifted</u> high; the LORD'S right hand has done <u>mighty</u> things! I will not <u>die</u> but live, and will proclaim what the <u>LORD</u> has done. *Refrain* 

I will give you thanks, for you <u>an</u>swered me; you have become my sal<u>va</u>tion.
The stone the builders rejected has become the <u>corner</u>stone; the LORD has <u>done</u> this, and it is marvelous <u>in</u> our eyes.
Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son\* and to the Holy <u>Spi</u>rit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain