

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn ... they found the stone rolled away ...

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GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

HYMN: 191 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!

RESPONSIVE READING

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them.

And I will praise the Lord.

²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord,

Through which the righteous shall enter.

²¹ I will praise You, For You have answered me,

And have become my salvation.

²² The stone which the builders rejected

Has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ This was the Lord's doing;

It is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ This *is* the day the Lord has made;

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

P: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, We thank and praise You for the grace You have revealed in Jesus' resurrection. Grant us the peace that comes through the justification you have announced to all the world through Jesus' resurrection, and instill the hope of our own resurrection to eternal life through faith in Jesus as our ever-living Lord. We praise and bless You through Jesus Christ Your Son and our Redeemer God. Amen.

C: Amen

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Job 19:23-27

²³ "Oh, that my words were written! Oh, that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴ That they were engraved on a rock With an iron pen and lead, forever! ²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth;

²⁶ And after my skin is destroyed, this I know,

That in my flesh I shall see God,

²⁷ Whom I shall see for myself,

And my eyes shall behold, and not another. How my heart yearns within me! (NKJV) .

HYMN: 200:1-2, 7-8 I Know that My Redeemer Lives

THE EPSITLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, ² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. ⁶ After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. ⁷ After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. ⁸ Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. (NKJV)

P: Hallelujah! He is Risen!

C: The Lord is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!

HYMN: 728 (Worship Supplement) Christ Is Living!

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:1-12

Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. ² But they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. ³ Then they went in and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. ⁵ Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you when He was still in Galilee, ⁷ saying, 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.'"

⁸And they remembered His words. ⁹Then they returned from the tomb and told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them, who told these things to the apostles. ¹¹And their words seemed to them like idle

tales, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter arose and ran to the tomb; and stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying by themselves; and he departed, marveling to himself at what had happened."

THE NICENE CREED (p. 22 in the front of the hymnal)

HYMN: 193 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

THE SERMON: Mark 16:1-8

"Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. ² Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. ³ And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" ⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

⁶ But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. ⁷ But go, tell His disciples—and Peter—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you."

⁸ So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

Theme: A Memento of Jesus' Resurrection: A Heavy Stone.

OFFERTORY HYMN: 189 He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!

Prayer, Lord's Prayer; Reception of Offerings

HYMN: 730 (Worship Supplement) Now Let the Heaven's Be Joyful

EASTER CONFESSION OF SINS

P: "God is light and in Him is no darkness at all."

C: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

P: "If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us." (1 John 1:5,8,10)

ALL: Almighty God merciful Father we confess that we are sinful and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We are sorry for our sins, and plead for Your forgiveness for Jesus' sake."

P: "If Christ is not risen, your faith *is* futile; you are still in your sins!"

(1 Corinthians 15:17)

C: "But now Christ is risen from the dead!" (1 Corinthians 15:20a)

P: God our heavenly Father has forgiven you all your sins. Your guilt has been removed. You are reconciled to God! "Jesus was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification."

(Romans 4:25)

C: "Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:1)

P: "Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:4)

C: For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of His resurrection,

(Romans 6:5)

P: For *the death* that He died, He died to sin once for all; but *the life* that He lives, He lives to God. (Romans 6:10)

C: "Likewise we also, reckon ourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:11)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE AGNES DEI (p. 28 in the front of the hymnal)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

(Since participation in communion is a profession of oneness of faith, we ask that only those who are members of this congregation, or a congregation in fellowship with us in CLC, and have previously registered, to partake of the sacrament.)

P: We thank You Heavenly Father for revealing Your grace and love in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who humbled Himself and became obedient unto the death of the cross. Dearest Jesus, as you have presented for our blessing your body and blood in this sacrament, strengthen our faith thereby, that having been made partakers of your death we may also be made partakers of Your resurrection. May Your Holy Spirit direct and us in faith and life that we may be made partakers of your glory forevermore. In Jesus name. **C:** Amen

The Benediction

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

HYMN: 207:1,2 Like the Golden Sun Ascending

CALENDAR

TODAY: No Sunday school or Adult Bible class today.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: Catechism at 4:15. Ladies Aid at 7:00. Donna is scheduled to serve.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sermon text: John 20:19-31. Sunday school and Bible class follow the service. PIZZA dinner follows at 11:30!! Quarterly voters' meeting is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, May 18: Spring Cleanup at church 9: a.m.

Saturday June 8: Delegate conference in Okabena, MN 10 a.-5p.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Kwentin Stearns, Melvin Eichstadt, Ken Nickson, Arnie

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April Cleaning: Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 14 worship - 17 Sunday school 0 No Bible class April 18 (Maundy Thursday) - 23 April 19 (Good Friday) - 19

Weekly Offerings	\$	Other offerings:
Needed	1,252.00	_
Offerings Received	\$1,020.00	
Needed for Year:	\$18,780.0	
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Received for Year:	\$14,936.0	
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<u>Congregation Historian</u>. One of the Ladies Aid offices that has gone unfilled for several years is that of Congregation Historian. This position involves documenting events at church: reception of new members, Christmas programs or church picnic, to keeping track of important dates and anniversaries. If there is someone who would be willing to take on the position please contact Ladies Aid chairperson, Deb Berg.

Arise and Shine Retreat registration is now open! Our theme for this year is "Confidence!" In this post-truth age that we live in, so many have a hard time knowing what to believe. The Lord does not want us to have uncertainty but rather calls us to be confident in His Word and the salvation which He has won. If you are in your 20's or 30's and are looking for a relaxing getaway weekend of fun and fellowship, consider signing up for this retreat. The cost is \$140 per adult and \$100 per child. The retreat will be held June 13-16 in Pillager, MN. For more information, visit our website: http://ariseandshineretreat.com.