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The Resurrection of Our Lord  
The Holy Communion at 8:00 am and 10:45 am

*Christ is Risen.  
He is risen, indeed.  
Alleluia!*

*Through this centuries' old traditional greeting, Christians share, respond to, and affirm the wondrous, gracious, and mysterious Good News of this day: the crucified and dead Teacher is the risen and living Lord. This Easter message is the foundation of the Christian faith. It provides a window into the heart of God who so loves the world. How will God's mysterious and gracious gift of new life settle into our lives? How will God's gift move us and move through us to effect new life in the world God so loves?*

**PREPARATION** (\*Please stand for these parts of the liturgy)

Prelude: Fantasia on "Victimae Paschali Laudes" Michael Bedford

\*Invocation

\*Easter Versicles

One: This is the day which the Lord has made!

All: **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

One: Jesus, obedient unto death, even the death of the cross,

All: **has been raised by the power of God the Father.**

One: Neither death nor life, neither messenger of heaven nor leader of earth,

All: **Neither what happens today nor what may happen tomorrow,**

One: Neither a power from on high nor a power from below,

All: **Nor anything else in God's whole world has any power to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord! Amen!**

\*Sharing the Peace of the Risen Lord

\*Processional Hymn 365 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (page 12) EASTER HYMN

Fred Pritt Family (1) in memory of **Sally Seitz Pritt.**

Diane Ricotta (3) in memory of **Nels Gustafson, Joseph Ricotta and Matthew Ricotta.**

Elsie Schneider (1) in memory of **my dear Carl.**

Jean Spencer (2) in memory of my **husband Earl, and my parents Steven and Elizabeth Magacs.**

Ellen Staniewicz (1) in memory of my **dad Al Staniewicz.**

Bud and Lara Stanton (2) honor of **Margaret, Karen and Randy.**

Margaret, Karen and Randy (1) in honor of **our parents, Bud and Lara Stanton.**

Helen E. Swank (1) in memory of my **cousin Fred Ehram.**

Lena and Roger Trancik (1) in honor of **Anika and Jessika.**

Jessica VanderHorck (1) in memory of **Anita Crews.**

John and Sara Wells (2) in memory of **Richard Townsend and Sandra Downing.**

Marilys Wilhelm (2) in honor of my **twin great grandchildren, Elizabeth and Benjamin Kaleigh.**

The Wight Family (2) in memory of **John and Harry Sorensen, and Charles Wight.**

Dave and Susan Wohlhueter (1) in honor of our **five grandchildren.**

*EASTER LILY DELIVERY – Next Sunday, April 19, the youth group and campus ministry will be delivering Easter lilies to our members who receive home communion visits. We will leave after the worship service. To share in this, contact Gabe Hohag (gah35@cornell.edu) for more information.*

**ST. LUKE NEWS**

ITHACA KITCHEN CUPBOARD...TWO WAYS TO HELP April is a great month to contribute food items or money to the Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard. The Feinstein Challenge is underway and the cupboard will receive supplemental funds based on the donations it receives. Last year, the Cupboard received over \$300 of Feinstein Challenge funding. In the narthex is a collection box where non-perishable items can be dropped off at any time. On the side of the box you'll find a list of items the Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard could use. Donation cards are also on the side of the box as are brochures with contact information.

St. Luke continues to be a major supporter of the Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard by staffing the Cupboard for twenty-two afternoons during 2009. Interested in helping this year? It's easy! A sign up sheet to volunteer for the afternoons (1:15 p.m. til 3:30 p.m.) assigned to St. Luke is on the Social Ministry bulletin board. Join us at the Salvation Army building to distribute groceries to 15 to 20 families on one of those afternoons. Thanks for your help in feeding the hungry in Ithaca.

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN are invited to sit up front on the front side of the church. The front side allows easier coming and going. It is important for children to be able to see in order for them to participate in the service. If your little one begins to raise a glad shout, please feel free to get up and take him/her to the nursery to attend to his/her needs.

# Easter Lilies and Gifts 2009

*Easter Lilies and gifts (hunger and disaster relief) have been given to the Glory of God by the following people:*

The Bair Family (1) in thanks to God for the **gift of life in Lucas.**

Adam, Christine, Doug and Bruce Bennett (10) in loving memory of **Nancy Bennett.**

Leland and Mary Margaret Carmichael (2) in **thankfulness to God for blessings of family and friends.**

Barbara and Donald Christensen (1) in honor of **family and friends.**

Brittany Clark (1) in memory of my **dad Charles Clark, Jr.**

George and Diane Conneman (1) to the **Glory of God.**

Peter Cousins (6) in memory of **John Melugin, Edna Melugin, Ivan Caulkins** and in honor of **Alice Melugin.**

Barbara Crawford and Michael Ciborowski (2) in memory of **Sylvester Britto, brother-in-law; and Aunt Pearl Manning.**

Luke and Beth Dewalt (1)

Jim and Betta Hedlund (2) in honor of our **grandchildren.**

Hoskins Children (2) in honor of our **grandmothers, Henrietta S. Bolle and Jane W. Hoskins.**

Judy Jensvold (1) in honor of **St. Luke's Church School Teachers.**

David Jung (1) in memory of **Donald Johnson.**

Terry and Diane Kelleher in memory of **loved ones.**

Everett and Velma Markwardt (2) in honor of **our parents.**

Louise and Ronald McGee (1) in honor of our **children and grandchildren.**

Tom and Abby McSweeney (1) in memory of **Helen McCoy.**

Judy and Nader Mehravari (2) in memory of **Monica, Donna, Jim, Craig, Uncle Arley and Uncle Robert, Ali Reza and Aunt Rae.**

Emily and Joe Metz (3) in memory of **Virginia F. Metz, Bennett A. Dominick Jr., and Christine Metz Monte.**

Deborah Montgomery (1) in memory of my **loving parents, Clinton and Evelyn Spahn.**

The Nelson Family (2) in memory of **Frank and Ann Bassette, Ester Nelson and Ruth Nelson** and in honor of **Russell Nelson.**

Patrice Pastore (1) in memory of **James Masterson, stepfather.**

\*Greeting and Kyrie

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
All: **And also with you.**

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

A: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Hymn 376**

Continue hymn 382 continued

Hymn 379

\*Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Pastor: Let us pray together. O God,

**All: you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### GOD'S WORD THROUGH WORDS

A Word of Welcome

Joe Metz (8:00 am Service)  
John Sherbon (10:45 am Service)

First Lesson - Acts 10: 34-43

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-17, 22-24 (Sung responsively)

Choir: Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;  
his mercy en- | dures forever.

**All: <sup>2</sup>Let Israel | now proclaim,\* "His mercy en- | dures forever."**

Choir: <sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength | and my song,  
and he has become | my salvation.

**All: <sup>15</sup>There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory  
in the tents | of the righteous:**

Choir: <sup>16</sup>"The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!  
The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the | Lord  
has triumphed!"

**All: <sup>17</sup>I shall not | die, but live, and declare the works | of the LORD.**

Choir: <sup>22</sup>The same stone which the build- | ers rejected  
has become the chief | cornerstone.

**All: <sup>23</sup>This is | the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

Choir: <sup>24</sup>On this day the | LORD has acted;  
we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

**All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the | Holy Spirit.  
As it was in | the beginning\*, is now, and will be for | ever. Amen.**

\*The Holy Gospel – Mark 16: 1-8

**“Glory to you, O Lord”**

**“Praise to you, O Christ”**

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Isaac James Gabriel (10:45 a.m.)  
*See the order inside the back cover of the hymnal*

Children's Sermon “Witnesses” Pastor Bair

Anthem “Christ is Risen” Johann Sebastian Bach

Sermon “There You Will See Him” Pastor Bair

P: Christ is Risen

All: **He is risen indeed!**

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P: Christ is Risen

All: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Hymn 382 “Christ Is Risen! Alleluia” (page 14)

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

\*The Prayers of Intercession

*The Assisting Minister will offer several petitions, concluding each with*

*“Lord, in your mercy.” All respond: **“Hear our prayer”***

*The Pastor concludes the prayers with:*

P: You are risen, O Christ!

All: **Let all creation hail you with jubilant shout!**

P: You are risen, O Christ!

All: **And life is fresh and sweet!**

P: Christ is risen, Alleluia!

All: **He is risen, indeed, Alleluia!**

**GOD'S WORD THROUGH THE MEAL**

Offering

Offertory “Alleluia”

Randall Thompson

Prayer

A: Let us pray. Blessed are you,

**C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*The Great Thanksgiving

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\*The Preface

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MONDAY MIDDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY; Mondays, 12:15-1:00, in the library. Bring your lunch and join in the discussion. All are welcome.

TUESDAY STUDENT BIBLE STUDY continues to meet at 6:00 p.m. Participants share questions and we discuss.

QUILTING FOR THOSE IN NEED: If you sew, have extra fabric to share or can tie knots, check out how you can help make quilted blankets for distribution by Lutheran World Relief. Details are on flyers in the narthex. Meet with us at 9:30 am on every first and third Thursdays in our Adult Ed room.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION STATEMENT. The council has had discussions over the last several months about whether to recommend that St. Luke become a Reconciling in Christ Congregation. This would involve joining a network of Lutheran churches that declare that they welcome anyone, regardless of his or her sexual orientation. The council has decided, for various reasons, not to recommend that St. Luke take this step at this time. We are, however, considering the following addition to our mission statement (additions in italics):

The people of St. Luke Lutheran Church are called by God to be a community of Christians, a part of the body of Christ. This community of faith is called to listen, hear, receive, reflect, serve, embody, and witness to God's creating and redeeming Word and activity in the world. We are called to follow God and called to invite others to share in God's Kingdom and mission of reconciliation and justice. That journey of discipleship is celebrated here in an open and diverse mix of people with special appreciation for the privileged responsibility of our campus-related mission. *We welcome all to share in the life and ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church regardless of age, race, gender, socio-economic status, physical or mental capabilities or sexual orientation.*

As a community of Christians in the Lutheran heritage, God calls us to be:

- .....centered in the Christ,
- .....enabled by Scripture,
- .....enlightened by the Spirit,
- .....informed by the Lutheran Confessions,
- .....nourished by the sacraments,
- .....engaged in the world.

There will be an after-church meeting at **12:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 19**, so members of the St. Luke community can share their thoughts on this proposed mission statement. The council will vote on whether to recommend the mission statement to the congregational meeting at the April 23 Council Meeting. If the council votes to recommend it, the congregation will vote on it at the Congregational Meeting on May 3. Any council member would be happy to talk to you about this mission statement. Please feel free to approach any of us. The council members this year are Lexa Liepe, Nader Mehravari, Tom McSweeney, Beth Housel, Jim Hedlund, Judy Jensvold, Luke Dewalt, Steve Peterson, Allison Danner, Gabe Hohag, and of course Pastor Bair.

NEXT SUNDAY: "A Hymn Festival of the Resurrection". Will include Easter hymns and traditional gospel (John 20: 19-31), the story of Thomas who wasn't there for the first appearances of The Risen Christ. Lessons: Acts: 2: 14a, 22-32; and 1 Peter 1: 3-9. No big sermon. Children's Sermon, "Fellowship".

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C:

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: . . . . . we proclaim  
The Lord's death until he comes.

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

P: Therefore, O God, . . . . .  
share with us the great and promised feast.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: Send now, we pray, . . . . .  
with all your saints in light.

**C: Amen. Come Holy Spirit.**

P: Join our prayers . . . . .  
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great  
high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

\*The Lord's Prayer "**Our Father, who art in heaven...**"

\*Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude "Musique Heroique"

Georg Phillip Telemann

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EASTER EGG HUNT. The mothers in the Nursery would like to invite all children (young and young at heart) to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt today, at 10:10 (between breakfast and the 10:45 service).

FESTIVE EASTER PARAMENTS enhance our worship for the 16th year this morning. Many loving and skillful hours of work and care were invested, in the original making and in the recent reshaping of these paraments for our new chancel. We thank God for you all!!

IN THE NAME OF THE RAISED AND LIVING CHRIST, welcome to his victorious feast! On this glad day we celebrate the victory of his Resurrection and we rejoice to share in its benefits. The Good News of Easter cannot be contained within this day. It informs our every day; its buoyant hope brings new life to all our days.

ALL WHO SHARE A FAITH IN CHRIST are welcome to share in the Communion Meal, which Dr. Luther preferred to call The Lord's Supper. The Meal is not the property of the Lutheran heritage nor is it the possession of this congregation. The Meal is God's gracious gift to share and sustain all Christians with the real presence of our crucified and now-risen Lord. This Risen Christ invites you: "Come to the table of the Lord". Anyone who receives Communion in any Christian tradition is welcome to share in Communion here.

SPECIAL THANKS TO MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE ENRICHED THE CELEBRATIONS OF THIS DAY: To all who have prepared and served the lovely breakfast; to all who arranged the festive display of lilies; to Steve and Tammy Devlen for all their work these last weeks; to the instrumentalists: James Covington & Cyril Bodnar, trumpets; Alex Knutrud & Michael Nave, trombones; Steve Magacs, timpani; Rachel Seiden, Lauren Mossotti-Kline, & Sarah Robinson, oboes.

FAITH & CARE (8:00 am): USHERS: Ron Shewchuk & Susan Hoskins; GREETERS: Deb & Andy Novakovic; ASSISTING MINISTER: Joe Marion; ACOLYTES: John, Katie Peterson; Jordon Wight; READERS: Katie Peterson; & Helen Shewchuk; COMMUNION: SET UP: & CLEAN UP: Deb & Andy Novakovic; Linda Muckstadt

FAITH AND CARE (10:45 am) USHERS: Ronald Shewchuk & Susan Hoskins; GREETERS: ; ASSISTING MINISTER: Michael Clarkson; ACOLYTES: Jaana & Ruth Grigorov & Jewell Payne; READERS: Angie Wolfgang and Chris Orilall; COMMUNION: SET UP: Deb & Andy Novakovic CLEAN UP: Linda Muckstadt.

Communion

*Communion is served by intinction. To receive Communion, please come forward by the center aisle. Bread (in the form of a wafer or 'host') will be offered into your hand. After receiving the bread, move toward the outside to receive the wine/juice. There are two cups on each side. The first cup contains wine (dark liquid); the second cup contains grape juice (light liquid). Dip (intinct) your wafer/host into the cup of your choice. Children who do not yet receive communion are welcome to come and receive a blessing. Return to your pew by the side aisles.*

Music during Communion

Hymn 389 "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" (page 13)

TRURO

Hymn 379 "Now the Green Blade Rises" (page 15)

NOËL NOUVELET

\*Blessing

\*Prayer

C: **Amen**

\*Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: **Amen**