



Easter Sunrise Service

WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

HYMN “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” [LW 127, v. 1-2, 4]

OPENING LITURGY

HOLY GOSPEL John 20:1-18

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ²So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

³So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

¹¹Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹²and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?” “They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” ¹⁴At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

¹⁵He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?” Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.” ¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).

¹⁷Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

AFFIRMATION of FAITH *1 Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20*

SERMON “RESURRECTION STORIES”

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER *The Family Prayer of the People of God*

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN “In Christ Alone”

SERMON: *Rev. Morgan Hamilton, Assistant Pastor*
LITURGIST: *John Vawar, Interim Youth Director*
PIANO: *Bradley Anderson, Director of Music & Worship*

CONNECT *Mark your calendars!*

ADULT

- Northeast Orchestra Concert | Friday, April 26 | 7:30pm | Tickets available @ door
- Church Wide Family Game Night | Saturday, April 27 | 6-8pm | Snacks provided

HOLY WEEK 2019

- *Stations of the Cross* | April 19 | Opens at 10:00am | Fellowship Hall
- **GOOD FRIDAY** | April 19 | 7pm | **Tenebrae: Service of Shadows**
- **EASTER SUNDAY** | April 21 | 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00am | **Communion at all**

MEN

- **39th Annual Men's Retreat** | May 3-5 | **Registration Now Open!**
- Men's Night | Tuesday, May 14 | 6-7:30pm | **Register Online**

YOUTH

- Spring Fling & Silent Auction | Sunday, May 19 | 5-8pm | **Register Online**
 - Have an auction item to donate? Contact: Tammy_Wepp@hotmail.com

CHILDREN

- VBS | June 17-21 | **Register Online to Participate or Volunteer**

RED APPLE

- Dinner & Silent Auction | Friday, May 3 | 6:30-8:30pm

*The Church Office will be closed Monday, April 22.
We will resume regular office hours Tuesday, April 23.*

