# The Resurrection of Our Lord **Easter Sunday**



Saint John Lutheran Church Hattiesburg, Mississippi

March 31, 2024

# Welcome!

"How great is the Love the Father has lavished on us!" (1 John 3:1).

We are thankful that you are joining in the worship of the people of God this day. Ushers at the door are glad to assist you at any time.

- Please check that cell phones are silenced.
- Restrooms are located on the right in the lobby and down the bell tower hallway to the right towards the fellowship hall.
- Prayer requests may be written on the white cards in the pew rack and given to an usher before worship begins, or as you leave.
- A self-staffed nursery is available to parents as needed, passed the wooden double doors on the left.
- Activity bags to help keep young children occupied during the message are provided in the back right corner of the sanctuary.

*Notice to Worshipers:* Today's service is livestreamed and recorded. It is available for public viewing and playback at www.SaintJohnHattiesburg.com by clicking on the 'Watch Live' button.

#### **About the Offering**

An offering is gathered today during the worship service. Here the people of God bring their tithes and sacrificial offerings as an expression of their discipleship, and for the continuation of Jesus' mission work, both in this community and to the ends of the earth. Guests are not expected to bring financial gifts but are welcome to join the congregation in offering their prayers and praises.

#### **About Holy Communion**

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. In this, we remember that the divine is united with the created as one in the person of Jesus.

This altar is the Lord's table. Here all are welcome who acknowledge their need for a Savior and look to Jesus. We believe what he simply says about the bread – "This is my body, given for you." – and about the wine – "This is my blood, shed for you." Thus, the Lord Jesus is truly present for his redeemed people in this holy meal. In this we retain the divine mystery in the midst of his ordinary creation. From the many seeds of wheat come one loaf. From the many grapes are pressed one cup. His many diverse people constitute one body and community of faith.

Young children are welcome to this altar to receive a blessing, as are those who have not been instructed in the Christian faith. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest or by simply asking for a blessing.

The individual communion cups in the center of the tray have white grape juice for those who desire it. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.

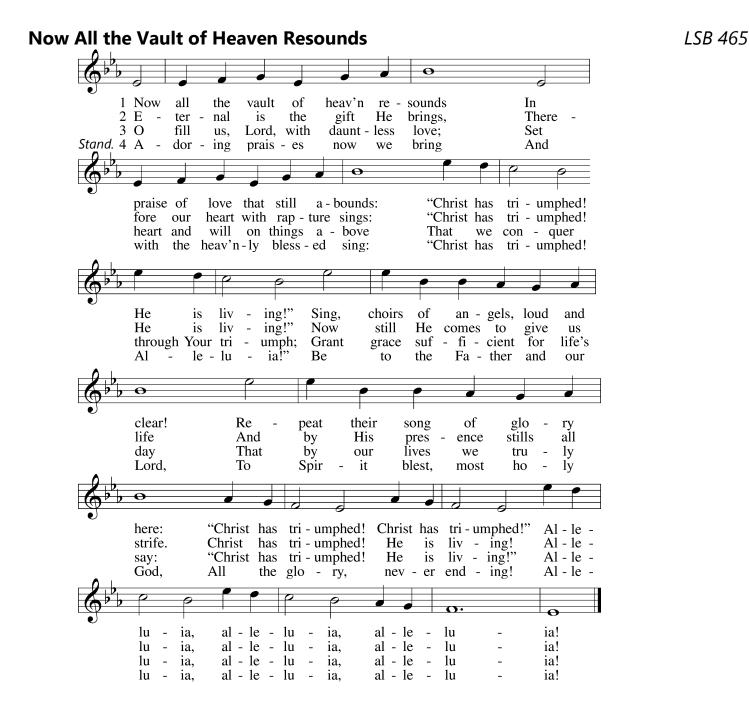
We are imperfect people, and we live in an imperfect world. We are all in this together. So when we believe or act wrongly towards someone, or when we feel that another has wronged us, we commit ourselves to the humble teaching and forgiving pattern of Jesus in Matthew 18.

# The Resurrection of Our Lord — Easter Sunday

**Bell Choir** ~ Were You There?

**Choir Anthem** ~ Morning has Broken

# GATHERING +



## **Salutation and Collect Prayer**

P The Lord be with you.C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C 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. Amen.

Please be seated.

# + WORD +

## **First Reading**

The Old Testament Reading for the Resurrection of our Lord is from Isaiah, Chapter 25, Verses 6-9. Death is done on the mountain of the Lord, mastered by Jesus. Let the feasting begin!

<sup>6</sup>On 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. <sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. <sup>8</sup>He 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. <sup>9</sup>It 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.

**Choir Anthem** ~ *Joyful, Joyful He is Risen* 

## **Epistle**

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

Isaiah 25:6–9

The Epistle is from First Corinthians, Chapter 15, Verses 1-11. Saint Paul testifies of Jesus' death for our sins and his resurrection from the grave, which is the Gospel of God and his grace for all who put their trust him.

- <sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.
- <sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But 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. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

**I** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

## **Holy Gospel**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

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



Mark 16:1–8

#### **Childrens Message**

The Day of Resurrection 1 The day of tion! Earth, tell res - ur - rec it out a - broad. 2 Let hearts be purged of vil That a - right we may see e 3 Now let the heav'ns be ful. joy Let earth its song be - gin,  $\triangle$  4 All praise to God the Fa ther, All praise to God the Son, The pass - o - ver The pass - o - ver of glad - ness, of God. res - ur - rec - tion light The Lord in rays e - ter -Of nal all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - in. Let the Spir -E - ter - nal Three in All praise to God it, One! life From sin's do - min - ion From death to e - ter - nal, free. lis - t'ning to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain, And, Their notes of glad-ness blend; all things, seen and un - seen, Let Fall down be - fore the Let all the ran-somed num - ber throne Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry. His own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain. For Christ the Lord has ris en, Our joy that has no end! And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry As - cribe to God a - lone!

**The Message** — Pastor Chet Scherbarth ~ on *First Corinthians* 15

The Prayers of the Church (please stand)

#### Nicene Creed

**P** The Holy Church throughout the world and the ages confesses this faith:

**G** 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.

# + MEAL +

This is Christ's table. Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast which he has prepared. In this meal we truly receive the body and blood of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. This is a great and divine mystery! Here we are joined with God and all the saints, and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Young children and those who would prefer to receive a blessing are welcome to come forward.

Alcohol Removed Communion Wine — The individual communion cups in the center of the tray contain denatured wine, which contains less than ½% alcohol. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.

#### The Preface, Proper Preface, and Sanctus

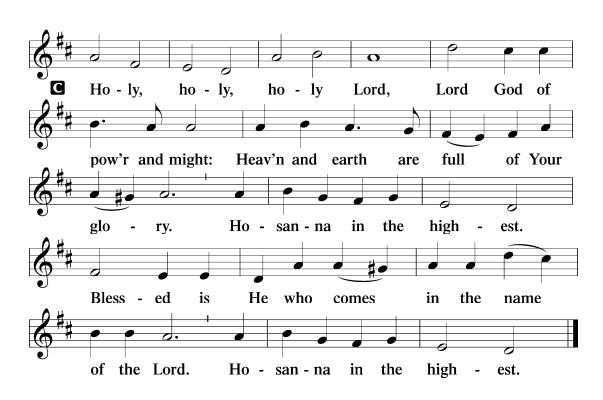
**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

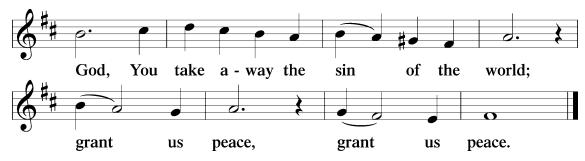
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:



#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Our Father**

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.





Please be seated.

**Distribution Hymns** With High Delight Let Us Unite LSB 483 1 With high de-light Let us u - nite In songs of great 2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth in - to life, 3 Let prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring То Christ our Lord -Ye ju - bi - la tion. pure in heart, All bear your part, Doth van-quished lie; all sub-du ing. His en - e - my ad - o - ra \_ tion. His hon-or speed By word and deed Ο Je - sus Christ, То Sing our sal - va tion. set us His death has been death's un-do ing. "And yours shall \_ To ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na \_ tion. So shall His free For - ev - er, He ris'n and sends To all earth's Is O'er death and grave," Saith be Like vic - to - ry He, who death set love Give us a - bove, From mis - er - y And Ο ends Good news save ev - 'ry tion. to na gave His life for life re - new us, ing. free, All joy full and con - so - la tion. \_

Christ Is Risen, Christ Is Living ris - en, Christ is liv-ing, Dry your tears, be un - a-fraid! 1 Christ is the Lord had nev - er ris - en, We'd have noth-ing to be-lieve. 2 If 3 Death has lost its old do-min-ion, Let the world re-joice and shout! Death and dark-ness could not hold Him, Nor the tomb in which He lay. His prom-ise can be trust-ed: "You will live, be-cause I live." But Christ, the first-born of the liv-ing, Gives us life and leads us out. look a-mong the dead for One who lives Do for - ev - er - more; not share the death of Ad-am, So in Christ we live a - gain; As we thank our God, who caus - es Hope to spring up from the ground; Let us Tell the world that Christ is ris - en, Make it known He goes be - fore. Death has lost its sting and ter-ror, Christ the Lord has come to reign. Christ is ris - en, Christ is giv-ing Life e - ter - nal, life pro-found. Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven 1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise: 2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de-feat:  $\triangle$  3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be God on high: to Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise; See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re-treat; the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry; Al - le - lu - ia to vic-tim For the world's sal - va-tion bled-He who on the cross a Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more, Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty! Je-sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead. Je-sus Christ, the world's Re-deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore. is ris - en from the dead. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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# + SENDING +

## Dismissal, Concluding Prayer, Benedicamus, and Blessing

**P** Let us bless the LORD.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

**P** We speak the Romans 15 blessing to one another:

#### May the God of HOPE fill you with all JOY and PEACE as you TRUST in him, so that YOU may overflow with HOPE by the POWER of the Holy Spirit.

**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 + give you peace.

#### C Amen

# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

ris'n to - day. Al 1 Je sus Christ is lu ia! le 2 Hymns of Al lu ia! praise then let us sing, le -3 But the pains which He en - dured, Al le - lu ia! \_ 4 Sing God a - bove, Al le \_ lu ia! we to our \_ ho - ly Al lu ia! Our tri - um - phant day, le \_ Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly king, Al le lu ia! \_ Our sal - va - tion Al have pro-cured; le lu ia! Praise e - ter - nal Al le His love; lu ia! as Who did once up -Al le ia! on the cross, \_ lu -Who en-dured the Al le lu ia! cross and grave, a - bove the Al le ia! Now sky He's king, lu le Praise Him, all ye Al \_ lu ia! heav'n - ly host, Suf fer to re - deem our loss. Al le - lu ia! Sin \_ ners re - deem and save. Al le - lu \_ ia! to \_ Where Al - lu \_ ia! the an - gels sing. le ev - er \_ Fa ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al le - lu ia! -



#### <u>Sponsor</u>

Shelia Curry **Diane and David Smith** Susan Perkins Nancy Kaul Julie Radavich Mary and Bob Cubley Mary and Bob Cubley Elaine Kersh **Christina Keiper** Jerry and Debbie Frederick Jerry and Debbie Frederick Jerry and Debbie Frederick Lillian Smith Lillian Smith Patricia Davenport Wayland and Jane Johnson Wayland and Jane Johnson Warner and Darlene Boortz Maggie McMichael Maggie McMichael

Elaina Potesta Dori and William Carver Dori and William Carver

#### In Memory Of

Terry Curry and Janice Timm Jean Smith Virginia and John Rosenberger Laura Deneke Berniece Kieft (mother) Katie Cubley; Harold and Louise Cubley Bob and Virginia Downey; Virginia Lynne Clower Peter de la Vasselais, Harry Rees and Robert Schmalz Archie Steven Keiper (brother) Stacey Mae Garland Lisa Marie Frederick Their Parents **Dennis Reed Smith** John and Mary Traugott, Wayne and Mary Smith Richard and Connie Werner (parents) Irene and W. A. Amason Katie and Wayland Johnson Sr. Their Parents and Great Grandson Jane Glover May and JC May Ophie Page and Waldean McMichael Lori Elwin and Doris Roberts

Alice and William Carver, Dean Carver Mary Elizabeth Smith, Mary Jean Smith



# Take Home Announcements — Sunday, March 31, 2024

# Serving the Lord Today

Pastor	<b>r</b> Rev. Chet Scherbarth			
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Pastor's Office hours: Tue-Thu 9-1,				
Fri-Sun, by appt; Mon-off				
Pianist	Lewei He			
Altar Guild	Debbie Frederick &			
	Diana Rymarz			
Lector	Christina Keiper			
Acolyte	Cheyenne Thiel			

Altar Flowers: by Will & Chris Noffke For Easter Blessings

**Eternal Candle:** Christina Keiper Grateful for new beginnings

#### Today's Theme

We rejoice and are gladdened at the sight of the risen Christ. Alleluia! For our sins, He was buried. But on this third day, He has risen from the dead. Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome are seized with far, having seen an empty crypt — one meant to entomb Jesus, the Son of God. But no sullen grave, no hellish abyss, not even Satan himself could eclipse the revelation of the risen Christ — eye witnessed, confessed, believed.

#### **Baptism Anniversaries**

Wayland Johnson

April 1

Live Streaming of Worship Services — <u>www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com</u>

**Easter Plants** – may be taken home after the Worship Service. Please leave the plastic trays.

**Spayghetti Dinner Fundraiser -** This dine-in or take-out fundraiser on **April 4th** is hosted by the Southern Pines Healthy Pet Clinic. Won't you help to make a difference for our animals and community? Time: 4:00-6:00pm; Location: St. John Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall; Meal options: \$11.00/plate with meat, \$9.00/plate without meat; \$31.00 Family Meal with meat - feeds 4; \$26.00 Family Meal without meat - feeds 4.

Men's Breakfast – meets at Chesterfields Restaurant at 9:00a, April 6th.

Oktoberfest Meeting — Sunday, April 21st immediately following worship.

**LWML** - will be collecting MITES next Sunday, April 7, 2024. Also, the LWML will meet in the Community Room immediately following the worship service. All women are welcome and invited!

**LWML** - will be collecting ALL BABY ITEMS in the "Pack 'N Play" placed in the narthex for the Autauga Interfaith Center in Prattville, AL. These Gifts from the Heart will be collected for the next three Sundays beginning on April 7, 2024. Also, Gift Cards will be collected and will be delivered at the Gulf States Districts Convention.



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Trenia Thiel Health & strength has fever Men	nber	3/21/24
Trace Fisher   Health, Strength & Recovery/   Nep     Prayers for Tom & Erica Fisher as they care for Trace   Image: Comparison of the strength of t	hew of Pastor Scherbarth	11/21/23
Warner Boortz Health and Strength Men	nber	2/25/24
	nddaughter & Great nddaughter of Susan & W.F. kins	12/30/23
Kaitlyn Radavich Post COVID problems since 2021 Grad	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1/17/24
Glen Stengrim Continued strength and healing Men	nddaughter of Julie Radavich	2/25/24
Mini Jasper & Family   Serious burns		_,,

Ruby Ezell	Mobility difficulties	Mother of LaToursha Ezell	1/28/24		
Tanya	Fighting Staph infection (MRSA)		1/28/24		
Aubrey Canfield	Home and still recovering	Member	2/13/24		
Beth Scherbarth	Has concussion from recent auto accident	Member	2/4/24		
Chloe	Recovery from foot issues	Recovery from foot issues Member			
Lisa Case	Major surgery scheduled	y scheduled Member			
Hillary Odom & Family	Had a stroke; prognosis not good	ke; prognosis not good			
George Trotter	Comfort & healing	2/18/24			
Kiri	Deliverance from Islam	2/18/24			
Bonnie Houser	Health and strength	3/5/24			
Amanda Howell	Cancer	Patrice Lovdahl	3/24/24		
Tanya Schlamann	Surgery recovery	Beth Scherbarth	3/3/24		
Micki	Sick-health & strength	Friend of Sharalee	3/10/24		
Bob Glascon	Congestion-4th round of antibiotics		3/24/24		
W.F. Perkins	Complications from COVID	Husband of Susan Perkins	3/13/24		
Jim Thone	Stage 4 Cancer	Father of Debbie Geroux	3/14/24		
Van Lowry	Prostate Cancer	Member	3/17/24		
Scherbarth Family	Prayers for resolution of current issues	Members	3/17/24		
Family of Edward Curry	Died in the Lord	Brother-in-law of Sheila Curry	3/24/24		
Skip	Healing-pulmonary embolism	Relative of the Scherbarths	3/24/24		
Family of Leane Woodward	Died in the Lord	Relative of LaToursha Ezell	3/24/24		

THIS WEEK									
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT			
<u>31</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>			
<u>10:30am</u> Worship			<u>1:30pm</u> <u>Kaffee Klatch</u>	<u>4:00-6:00pm</u> <u>Spayghetti</u> <u>Dinner</u>		<u>9:00am</u> <u>Men's</u> <u>Breakfast</u>			



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