

# Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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*Christ  
is  
Risen!*

*Welcome to worship at Cross of Christ!*

*In the Cross of Christ I glory †*

*The Resurrection of Our Lord  
Easter Sunday  
April 4, 2021*

OUR ACCOMPANIST

MRS. YVONNE YOST

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## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our tri - umphant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Refrain*

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic -  
to - rious head! Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ is ris - en from the dead!

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

### \*APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God,

**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 your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen**

### FIRST READING: ISAIAH 25:6-9 (ESV)

<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."

Here ends the reading.

### SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11 (ESV)

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.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th Chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\*THE HOLY GOSPEL: ST. MARK 16: 1-8 (ESV)**

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, 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.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

PASTOR ALLISON

\*SERMON HYMN "THINE IF THE GLORY" LBW 145

1 Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; End - less is the  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, Ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
 3 No more we doubt thee, Glo - rious Prince of life; Life is nought with -  
 vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets thee, Scat - ters fear and gloom; Let his Church with glad - ness  
 out thee; Aid us in our strife; Make us more than con - qu'rors,  
 Rolled the stone a - way, Kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 Hymns of tri - umph sing, For the Lord now liv - eth;  
 Through thy death - less love; Bring us safe through Jor - dan  
 Refrain  
 Where thy bod - y lay.  
 Death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son;  
 To thy home a - bove.  
 End - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won!

\*NICENE CREED

**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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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**

\*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

\*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,

that all those who believe in him

should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you

for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord with a living faith

as he comes to us in his holy supper.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

\*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen**

\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

\*BENEDICTION

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.

**Amen**

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN (TURN PAGE)

\*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*POSTLUDE

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## Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad - ness Of our Lent - en fast is o'er;  
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row That last eve - ning round him lay  
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er Death or hell shall us en - thrall;

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 Through the o - pen gates of glad - ness He re - turns to life once more;  
 Now has found a glo - rious mor - row In the ris - ing of to - day.  
 Be we Christ's, in him for - ev - er We have tri - umphed o - ver all.

Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him As his light once more ap - pears;  
 Death and hell be - fore him bend - ing See him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, Spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion Of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;

Bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, Ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 An - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, Glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.  
 He was dead, but now is liv - ing; He was lost, but he is found.  
 Hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

The **Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Ed and Nikki Sverko birthdays by their family..

Executive Meeting is at 9 AM next Sunday April 11 and Council Meeting meets after the 11 AM service.

**A-Meal-A-Month Parish Hall Fundraiser – April 17th**

Our monthly fund-raising meal is Saturday, **April 17th - Country Breakfast from 7:00AM until 11:00AM.** Meals will be served in takeout boxes with limited indoor seating / dining. Donations will go towards the Facilities Improvement Fund.

**Geraniums given in memory of:**

Brenda Furr by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 Joyce Gross by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 Eunice & Mary Thomas by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 John Paul & Annette Deese by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 Everette & Marie Stoner by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 George Pless, Sr. by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 George Pless, Sr. by Frances Pless  
 Mildred Watson by Frances Pless  
 Mary Ann & Terry Sifford by Frances Pless  
 Kitty & Earl Shaver by John, Karen and Amanda Faggart

**Geraniums given in honor of:**

Kay Barbee by Larry & Sharon Barbee  
 Larry Barbee Family by Frances Pless  
 Carl & Marie Pless by Frances Pless  
 Jane & J.B. Faggart by John, Karen and Amanda Faggart  
 Jerry & Judy Hager by Kelly & Susan Caudle

**Lilly in memory of:**

Henry & Elaine Caudle by Kelly & Susan Caudle

\*\* Feel free to take your flower(s) after the service that you are in attendance.



April 4, 2021

*A little reminder about our prayer list.*

*We ask that you always have an individual's permission before requesting their name be added to our Prayer List. Contact Pastor Allison or Prayer List Coordinator Belinda Campbell to request additions or changes.*

*First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people... 1Timothy 2:1*

**In the Fellowship of Cross of Christ**

Kay Barbee; Megan Blackburn; John Faggart; Roger Horton; Frances Kanipe; Doris Kluttz; Frank Kluttz; Carl Pless, Sr; Marie Pless; John Trull; Harold Yost

**Serving in the Military**

Eaven Allison (Okinawa, Japan); Will Drye

**Friends of Cross of Christ**

The Family of Kenny Buckwell

Sherry Baker; Steve Cagle; Steve & Angie Dixon; Morgan Eudy;

JB Faggart; Jane Faggart; Joyce Furr; Ralph Furr; Dave Goff;

Tommy and Eva Harrel; Ivory Holland; AJ Jorsey; Ensley Morgan; Diane Parker; Angie and Steve Potter; Derrick Shafer; Beverly and Lewis Williams; Pat Winecoff.

**General Prayer Concerns**

Our nation, Our community and Our Church

**Cross of Christ Shut-Ins**

Sylvia Loggans (Five Oaks, Room # 129)

**Cross of Christ Lutheran Church - Praise List**

·Mike & Shawana Byers and their 2 children – Mike's wife is doing a lot better and is working from home with Mike back at work.

The family appreciated the prayers.

\*\* Please remember our shut-ins with a visit, phone call, card, or email along with your prayers.