



Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church
Church of the Lutheran Confession
In the People Place - Vernon, B.C.

Resurrection Plans

P: The Lord is in His holy Temple.

C: **We bow down before Him in Humble awe and praise.**

Prayer: O Lord God, our Heavenly Father, we come before You in humble awe and praise for the work of redemption that you have so lovingly and powerfully accomplished for us through Jesus' bitter suffering and death, and through His triumphant resurrection. May the triumph of Christ's resurrection live on in our hearts as we worship and praise You today. And may we be bold to carry out Your plans to give life in Christ to the world. Receive us and bless us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



Hymn: 201 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

1. Jesus lives! The victory's won!
Death no longer can appal me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave Christ will recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.

2. Jesus lives! To Him the throne
High o'er heaven and earth is given.
I shall go where He is gone,
Live and reign with Him in heaven.
God is faithful. Doubtings, hence!
This shall be my confidence.

3. Jesus lives! For me He died,
Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
Praise to Him and glory giving.
Freely God doth aid dispense;
This shall be my confidence.

4. Jesus lives! I know full well
Naught from me His love shall sever;
Life nor death nor powers of hell
Part me now from Christ forever.
God will be a sure Defense;
This shall be my confidence.

5. Jesus lives! and now is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense,
Jesus is my confidence!

Responsive Reading and Song:

P: The Lord is Risen!

Cong. He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

P: We now rejoice with gladness.

Cong. Christ will end all sadness, Alleluia!

Sing:

Hymn 198

He's Risen, He's Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord
He opened Death's prison, the Incarnate Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song,
And, earth, sea, and mountain, the paeon prolong.

P: The Lord is my strength and song,

Cong. And He has become my salvation.

P: The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the righteous;

Cong. The right hand of the Lord does valiantly!

P: I shall not die, but live,

Cong. And declare the works of the Lord.

P: Praise the Lord, call upon His name;

Cong. Declare His deeds among the peoples, make mention that His name is exalted.

Sing:

Hymn 198

Our Lord was triumphant, the Savior arose,
And Death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes;
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high.
He lives, yea, He lives, and will nevermore die.

P: I will praise You, for You have answered me,

Cong. And have become my salvation.

P: The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone.

Cong. This was the Lord's doing it is marvellous in our eyes.

P: This is the Day which the Lord has made;

Cong. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Sing:

Hymn 198

Oh, where is thy sting, Death? We fear thee no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

Confession of Sins:

C: Oh, Lord God, our gracious Father. We confess that it was our sins that caused Jesus' suffering and death on the cross. We are very sorrowful that we brought such pain and death upon the Son of God. But we rejoice to know that Christ has risen victorious over sin and

death and has given us the victory. Therefore we pray for your mercy to forgive us for Jesus' sake.

P: Upon this, your confession, I assure you that God is merciful to us. Because of Christ's death on the cross and His resurrection God has forgiven you all your sins.



P: Christ, being raised from the dead, dies no more;
Cong: Death has no more dominion over Him, Alleluia!

Sing: Hymn 198
Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who sitteth in glory and ever shall reign.

Scripture Readings: Acts 4:8-12

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people! 9 If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a cripple and are asked how he was healed, 10 then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. 11 He is
“the stone you builders rejected,
which has become the capstone.”
12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”

1 John 1:1 - 2:2

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. 2 The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. 3 We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. 4 We write this to make our joy complete.

5 This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. 6 If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.

2:1 My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense— Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. 2 He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

P: He is Risen, Hallelujah!

C: Why do you seek the Living among the dead?

P: Remember how He spoke to you,

C: The Son of Man must be crucified and the third day rise again.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

C: We will rejoice and be glad in it. Hallelujah!

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:36-49

36 While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” 37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38 He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? 39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.”

40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. 41 And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence.

44 He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” 45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations,

beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Confession of Faith: Nicene Creed

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.

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.

Hymn: 517 The Will of God Is Always Best

1. The will of God is always best
And shall be done forever;
And they who trust in Him are blest,
He will forsake them never.
He helps indeed In time of need,
He chastens with forbearing;
They who depend On God, their Friend,
Shall not be left despairing.

2. God is my Comfort and my Trust,
My Hope and life abiding;
And to His counsel wise and just,
I yield in Him confiding.
The very hairs, His Word declares,
Upon my head He numbers.
By night and day God is my Stay,
He never sleeps nor slumbers.

3. Lord Jesus, this I ask of Thee,
Deny me not this favor:
When Satan sorely troubles me,
Then do not let me waver.
Keep watch and ward, O gracious Lord,
Fulfil Thy faithful saying:
Who doth believe He shall receive
An answer to His praying.

4. When life's brief course on earth is run
And I this world am leaving,
Grant me to say: "Thy will be done."
By faith to Thee still cleaving.
My heavenly Friend, I now commend
My soul into Thy keeping,
O'er sin and hell, And death as well,
Through Thee the victory reaping.

Sermon: Multiple Texts

Theme:

Plans Ruined by the Resurrection!

1. **Satan's Plans**
2. **Eve's Plans**
3. **The Women's Plans**
4. **The Priest's and Pharisee's Plans**

Hymn: 451 Stand Up! Stand Up for Jesus

1. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus,
Ye soldiers of the Cross!
Lift high His royal banner,
It must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry
His army shall He lead
Till ev'ry foe is vanquished
And Christ is Lord indeed.

2. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus!
The trumpet-call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this His glorious day!
Ye that are men, now serve Him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger
And strength to strength oppose.

3. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus!
Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armor,
Each piece put on with prayer;

Where duty calls or danger,
Be never wanting there.

4. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus!
The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle,
The next, the victor's song.
To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory
Shall reign eternally.

Offerings for Christ's Church:

Sing while offering is brought forward Mel. 568

We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;
We lay it before Thee, We kneel and adore Thee,
We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

With voices united our praises we offer,
To Thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
Thy strong arm will guide us, Our God is beside us,
To Thee, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise.

Prayers:

Communion Liturgy

The Preface.....The Church's One Foundation

Pastor: The Lord is with His people;
Now may He be with you.

**Cong: The Lord is with His servants;
May He be with you, too.**

Pastor: Now lift your hearts to praise Him,

**Cong: To God we lift them high.
'Tis right to praise and thank Him
Who to His world draws nigh.**

The Great Thanksgiving.....Pastor

Thanks and praise be to You, our Father, almighty Creator, merciful Lord, God of promise and fulfillment, for You kept Your promises through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, Your Son. By His death He has destroyed death and by His resurrection has restored to us everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending Hymn.

The Sanctus.....“Gelobt sei Gott”

HOLY are You, the heav'nly King!
With angel hosts we join to sing,
“Your majesty fills ev'rything!”
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HOLY are You, our Lord most high!
Blessed is He who now draws nigh
In God's own name! With joy we cry:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HOLY are You, through endless days!
Our glad hosannas now we raise
To greet You with exalted praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord's Prayer

The Consecration

The Agnus DeiJesus Christ, My Sure Defense
Lamb of God, You take away
All the sinful world's transgression;
Let Your mercy now, we pray,
And Your peace be our possession.
Grant us from our sin release;
Lord, have mercy, grant us peace!

The Distribution

The ThanksgivingI Know that My Redeemer Lives

Oh, thank the Lord, whose goodness sure
And steadfast love fore'er endure!
Our eyes have seen, our ears have heard,
And we have tasted of His word.

As His own servants we depart
With His salvation in our heart.
His saving power He has made known;

His love through all the earth is shown.

Lord, let us show the world Your light;
Let us declare Your glory bright,
Proclaim Your death until You come
To take Your ransomed servants home.

Glory to God, the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
Oh, thank the Lord, whose goodness sure
And steadfast love fore'er endure!

The Benediction:

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you, the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



Closing Hymn: 769 Lift High the Cross

(Refrain) Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow where the captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ the Son of God.

(Refrain)

2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

(Refrain)

3. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!



Announcements

Today - Sunday School and Bible Class at 11:20.

Tuesday - Shut-in visit with George at 1:30

Wednesday - Skype Bible Study at 9:30

Bible Study with Karrie at 2:00

Thursday - Catechism class at 4:00

Friday - Shut-in visit with Felix at 1:30

Next Sunday Worship Service at 10:00 am.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 11:20

May 5th Worship Service

The People Place is not available on the first Sunday in May. Therefore our worship service on May 5th will be held at the Schubert Centre at 10:00.

Voter's Meeting

Our second Quarter Voter's meeting is planned for Sunday May 5th after our worship service. Some of the items for discussion will be the treasurer's report, our Summer plans (Family night, Youth Camp etc.). If you have any thoughts on these matters or if you have anything else you would like the voters to discuss, please speak to one of the voters or to the pastor.

PCPC

Your pastor will be away attending the Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference in Spokane, WA the week of April 21.

CLC Convention

The CLC Convention is scheduled June 20 - 23, Thursday to Sunday. Every congregation is allowed 2 delegates to the convention. If any of the men of the congregation are able and willing to serve as a delegate, please speak to the pastor.

CLC News

Mrs. Karen Swyter, a member of Peace with God Lutheran Church in Onalaska, WI, has the call to be the 1st & 2nd grade teacher of Faith Lutheran School in Markesan, WI.

Teacher Katie Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran School in Winter Haven, FL has received the call to teach at Luther Memorial in Fond du Lac, WI.

Blair Sydow has received a one year call to teach the upper grades at Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran School in West Columbia, SC. Blair is a member of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran.

The CLC Call Committee on Graduates issued the call to St. Peter's of Iron River, MI and Calvary of Marquette, MI to seminary graduate **Paul Agenten**.