

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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Saturdays: As needed

Sundays: 7:30 - 11:30

Worship Service – 9:30 AM Sundays (In-person & Online)

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The Resurrection of Our Lord

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted that you are worshipping today at Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. May your experience with God here be a blessing!

ACCESS FOR ALL: While we stand often during the service, please assume a posture of reverence which you are able or comfortable. A wheelchair accessible restroom is located in the Parish Hall through the kitchen. If you'd like Communion brought to your seat, our Pastor will gladly assist you. Young worshippers may visit our COR-KIDS Playspace in the rear of the sanctuary. Activity bulletins are also available for children (see ushers or Pastor).

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LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship (the green book in your pew)

AAH - African American Heritage (the beige book in your pew)

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Have questions? Interested in baptism or membership? Please speak with our

Pastor Kimberly Vaughn after service Or, call 201.433.1836.

P-Pastor C-Congregation

Prelude

Welcome

GATHERING

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Please stand as you are comfortable.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Gathering Hymn:

Jesus Christ is Risen Today (ELW 365)

Apostolic Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

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

C: Lord have mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

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

C: Amen

Hymn of Praise

Christ is Arisen, Alleluia! (ELW 364)

C: Christ is arisen, alleluia! Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia! For our Redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death dispelling its gloom. Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy; Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy. Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

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P: Let us pray... O 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, 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.

C: Amen.

WORD

Lessons in *Celebrate* Insert

First Reading	Acts 10:34-43
Psalmody	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Gospel	Mark 16:1-8

First Reading:

Acts 10:34-43

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm:

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)

¹Give thanks to the Lord, for the ¹ Lord is good;
God's mercy en- ¹dures forever.

²Let Israel ¹ now declare,

“God’s mercy endures forever.”

¹⁴The Lord is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:**

“The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

¹⁶The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!”

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord. R**

¹⁸The Lord indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**

²⁰“This is the gate of the Lord;
here the righteous may enter.”

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation. R**

²²The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the Lord has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. R

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The core of the Christian faith and Paul’s preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you— unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and

that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

(In honor of God's Good News to us in Jesus, we stand or assume a posture of reverence to receive the reading of the Gospel.)

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (ELW 172)

C: Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (2x)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel:

Mark 16:1-8

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is

the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Children’s Time

The Reverend Kimberly Vaughn

(Children are welcome to come forward for a special message.)

Sermon

The Reverend Kimberly Vaughn

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Hymn of the Day:

I Know That My Redeemer Lives (ELW 619)

The Apostles’ Creed

P: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: 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.

Prayers of Intercession

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MEAL

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(We share a sign of Christ's peace—a wave, handshake, smile, hug—however you are comfortable!)

Please be seated.

Offering & Offertory Music

(In response to hearing God's Word, we respond with joy in our offering.)

Please stand as you are comfortable.

C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all, unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

P: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught...

C: 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

P: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

Please be seated.

C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn:

Lord, Prepare Me (Sanctuary) (AAH 462)

Distribution of Communion

(Please bring the communion back to your seat to eat and drink. Someone will collect the cups afterwards.)

Please stand as able.

Post-Communion Canticle:

God is So Good

GOD IS SO GOOD, GOD IS SO GOOD, GOD IS SO GOOD, HE'S SO GOOD TO ME.

HE CARES FOR ME, HE CARES FOR ME, HE CARES FOR ME, HE'S SO GOOD TO ME.

HE'S ALL I NEED, HE'S ALL I NEED, HE'S ALL I NEED HE'S SO GOOD TO ME.

P: Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

Announcements

(Please see the last page.)

SENDING

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Benediction

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

Sending Hymn

He Lives (AAH 275)

Closing Anthem

Jesus Remember Me

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please Remember Our Sick and Shut-Ins:

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Worship Participants

Ministers:	The People of Christ Our Redeemer
Pastor:	Reverend Kimberly Vaughn
Pianist:	Kim Norton
Lector:	Janasia Carter
Counters:	Jameka Carter
Usher:	Timekia Carter

Thank you to those who assisted in today's worship.

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Our Parish Calendar

March Birthdays:

Jalia Carter	9 th
Antoinette Mabry	16 th
Aniaya Duncan	21 st

March Baptism Anniversaries:

Desiree Persaud 21st
Stella Hooper 21st
Corey Brooks 23rd

Worship Assistants for 4/7/2024

Lector: Jameka Carter
Counters: TBD
Usher: TBD

Worship Assistants for 4/14/2024

Lector: Toni Mabry
Counters: TBD
Usher: TBD

Worship Assistants for 4/21/2024

Lector: Janasia Carter
Counters: TBD
Usher: TBD

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Congregational:

- EASTER FLOWERS: Thank you to everyone who helped to enhance our worship space this morning!
- THANK YOU to everyone who participated and helped make our Easter Egg Hunt and basket giveaway a wonderful event!
- THANK YOU to everyone who participated in any way with worship services during Holy Week!
- BIBLE STUDY: Join us Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. for conversation on “Daily Discipleship”. See Pastor Kimberly for details. (NOTE: There will be no afternoon or evening bible study on Thurs. April 4th and Thurs. April 18th.)
- HOLY BAPTISM/FIRST COMMUNION: If you have questions about receiving the Sacraments of Holy Baptism or First Communion, please see Pastor Kimberly.
- LOOSE CHANGE: Got any spare change? Drop it in the jar after worship—all monies go towards the building fund.
- Please see page 9 for the list of upcoming worship assistants. We are in need of worship assistants for April and following months.

NJ Synod and Community:

- The 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering will take place July 16-20, 2024 in New Orleans. Late fee (Feb. 15—April 15) is \$475. MYLE and tAble registration fee is \$190. A \$150 nonrefundable and registration fee are due at sign-up.

***CHRIST IS RISEN!
HE IS RISEN INDEED!
ALLELUIA!***

***126th YEAR OF WITNESS AND SERVICE TO CHRIST
THROUGH GOD'S WORD, THE LIGHT AND THE TRUTH,
WE INVITE ALL TO GROW IN CHRIST***

† Connected to Christ † Connected to Each Other † Connected to Community

**EASTER FLOWERS
DEDICATIONS**



TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

Juanita Larkins

Pastor Kimberly Vaughn

Kate Fauder

IN HONOR OF:

William Price (Father) - Edward Price

Dorothy Mae Speights (Mother) - Joy Griggs

IN THANKSGIVING FOR:

Dorothy Mae Speights (Mother) - Joy Griggs

Family, Friends & Church - Kate Fauder

Family & Friends - Pastor Kimberly Vaughn

Edward & Elizabeth Schwab (Grandparents) - Edward Price



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EASTER FLOWERS DEDICATIONS



TO THE GLORY OF GOD/IN MEMORY OF:
Marcia Gordon (Niece) & Loved Ones - Joan Narain
Loved Ones Who Have Passed - Cornelia Hazel
Mary Thomas - Sylvia Crosley
William Price (Brother) - Edward Price
Marion Price (Mother) - Edward Price
Budram Fauder (Husband) - Kate Fauder
Dorothy Mae Speights (Mother) - Joy Griggs
Jean Wilkinson-Heard - Timekia Carter
Grandchild, Grandmother, Aunt & Cousins Who Have
Passed - Timekia Carter
Zamaya Montanez (Niece), Grandmother & Great-
Grandparents - Jameka Carter
Geraldine Green (Mother) - Baieyse Pugh
Goldie Green (Grandmother) - Shayla Green
Joe & Louise Barker (Grandparents) - Selena Carter
Sheila Carter (Mother) - Selena Carter



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