

# THE FESTIVAL OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE HYMN – “Jesus Christ is Risen Today!”

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: CHRIST IS RISEN!

People: HE IS RISEN, INDEED! ALLELUIA!

THE KYRIE

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Amen.

THE CANTICLE – “THIS IS THE FEAST”

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be  
people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are  
his.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever.

Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray:

People: 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.

THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

THE HOMILY – “New Day, New Life”


THE HYMN – “I know that My Redeemer Lives!”

THE NICENE CREED

CONG: I believe in 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 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  
gloried,  
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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Pastor: Let us pray for the church, the world, and for all who are in  
any need:

Each petition concludes:

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy                      **People: Hear our prayer.**

The prayers then conclude:

Pastor: Into your hands O Lord we offer all our prayers, trusting in  
the love and mercy that you have shown us in your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of our Lord be with you always.

**People: And also with you**

*All are invited to share signs of God's peace as you desire.*

## THE OFFERTORY AND THE GATHERING OF THE GIFTS – (Burg 955)


Pastor: The gifts are received and presented as all sing  
together:

**People: 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 the dreams of all; unite  
them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table  
with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast  
to come. Amen**

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

## THE HYMN – “Bind Us Together”

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen**

**OUR THANKS** to all who have made our Easter celebration a time of praise and thanksgiving. We are glad that you added your voice, your hands and your heart to worship today. We hope you will join us again next Sunday. We thank all who have served in any way so that this celebration was made possible.