THE GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

The Holy Gospel is read in the middle of the Congregation to symbolize the presence of

the Risen Christ

in the midst of His people. We face the Cross during the singing and the reading.

Alleluia!

(solo v. 1)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



He is God's Son, Alleluia, He is God's Son, Alleluia, He is God's Son, Alleluia, He is God's Son, Alleluia.

He's my Savior, Alleluia, He's my Savior, Alleluia, He's my Savior, Alleluia, He's my Savior, Alleluia.

I will praise Him, Alleluia, I will praise Him, Alleluia, I will praise Him, Alleluia, I will praise Him, Alleluia.

Praise the Father, Alleluia, Praise to Jesus, Alleluia, Praise the Spirit, Alleluia, Praise the One God, Alleluia!



In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living

HOPE THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST.

I PETER 1:3 (NIV)







Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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Easter Festival Services April 20, 2025 9:00 & 11:00 AM

The Prelude: "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" Kerr The Call to Worship (9:00): "Christ Is Risen" Fettke

(11:00): "Jesus Rose" Schram

+ THE HYMN: "JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY"

No. 365

+ The Kyrie – page 203

+ The Hymn of Praise: "Come, let us join" - page 204

+ The Prayer of the Day (see insert)

The Anthem (11:00): "The Strife Is O'er" Kerr

The First Reading for the Resurrection of our Lord

The Anthem (9:00): "Jesus Is the Living Stone" McDonald (11:00): "Thine Is the Glory" Handel

+ The Gospel Processional: "ALLELUIA!" (back of bulletin)

The Homily: "The Finger Trap"

+ THE HYMN: "CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!"

No. 382

- + The Nicene Creed page 104
- + The Easter Prayers

The Voluntary: "Jesus Shall Reign" Cherwien (During this time, please sign the red guest book at your pew.)

+ The Communion Liturgy – page 206

The Hymns during Communion:

"AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING"

No. 362

"THE STRIFE IS O'ER, THE BATTLE DONE"

No. 366

"I'M SO GLAD JESUS LIFTED ME"

No. 860

+ The Prayer after Communion

+ The Blessing and the Dismissal - page 209

THE HYMN: "ALLELUIA! JESUS IS RISEN!"

No. 377

The Postlude: "Allegro" Handel/Hand

Today's Organist: Beth Ridderhoff
The Adult Choir Director: 9:00 Aaron Basch

The Carillon Choir Director: 11:00 Michelle Podewell

The Cherub Choir Director: 11:00 Angie Pope
The Readers: 9:00 Edith Schmitt
11:00 Kristie Traverso

The Acolytes: 9:00 Ava Bernardi, Kalleigh Miskovic,

Lexi Miskovic and Scarlett Vitale

11:00 Noah Bergmann, Lucas Johnson, Luke Kruszynski and Cody McCoy



Today's chancel flowers celebrate the joy of the resurrection on the part of our church family.

We thank all those who have helped make our Holy Week services meaningful and inspiring. This especially includes our choirs for their dedicated efforts.

Our thanks for the gifts of lilies, hyacinths and tulips that add to the beauty of our sanctuary. The donors include: Charles & Patricia Bareither, the Bergmann family, Yvonne Boublis, the Bronson family, the Buresh family, John & Lynette Carlson, the Choquette family, Janet Elsner, Lynn Evers, Cindy Feil, Keith & Cindy Gansel, Bill & Lori Innocenti, Bill & June Johnsen, Kurt & Betsy Karlson, the Kupka family, Hank & Judy Lang, Diane Linkowski, Julie & Michael Manns, Carol Miller, CJ Muller, Bev & Larry Pauly, Joe & Marie Perry, Debi Pope, the Puttkammer family, Tom & Sue Ricca, Caryl Roegner, the Stevenson & Brennan families, the Jack Sweeney family, Sherry Tellefsen, Nancy Westlund, Brian & Renee Wright and the Zirbes family. You are welcome to take the flowers home after the 11:00 service. The front glass doors will remain open until 2:00 pm.

<u>Please see the insert for this week's calendar</u> <u>and other important notes.</u>

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