

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
 Midweek Worship
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INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. With Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, we may feel astonished and confused, unsure of what to make of the empty tomb. But this is why we gather: to proclaim, witness, praise, and affirm the liberating reality of Christ's death and resurrection. In word and feast, we celebrate God's unending love, and depart to share this good news with all the world. Alleluia!

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

CONFESSING OUR SIN AND HEARING GOOD NEWS

Let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

We have sinned deeply and need your forgiveness. We have hurt you, those we love, our neighbors, and creation with things that we have done and things that we have left undone. We have lacked faith and have treated your promises as if they are nothing, putting our faith, instead, in other people and things. Create in us a new heart, forgive our sins, and return us to you with your deep well of life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

People of God, hear the good news that is for you:

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. By the command of our Lord Jesus Christ and in his ☩ name, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins. It is a gift that is for you no matter what. Almighty God strengthen you through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

SONG

Alive, Forever, Amen

Let the children sing a song of liberation.
 The God of our Salvation set us free.
 Death where is thy sting? The curse of sin is broken
 The empty tomb stands open come and see.

He's alive, alive, alive hallelujah,
 Alive praise and glory to the Lamb.
 Alive, alive, alive hallelujah,
 Alive forever Amen.

Let my heart sing out, for Christ the One and only.
 So powerful and holy, rescued me.
 Death won't hurt me now because He has redeemed
 No grave will ever keep me from my King.

He's alive, alive, alive hallelujah,
 Alive praise and glory to the Lamb.
 Alive, alive, alive hallelujah,

Alive forever Amen.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together:

Almighty God, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ you broke the power of death and opened the way to eternal life. As the empty tomb stands witness to his triumph over death, make your church to be a bold testimony to his enduring victory in life, that all we do may proclaim to the world, "He is risen indeed!" Through Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

KIDS' TIME

SCRIPTURE SONG

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.
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SCRIPTURE

Mark 16:1-8

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.

MESSAGE

Pastor Erin Heidelberger

SONG

All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises

You lived, You died.
You said in three days you would rise.
You did, You're alive.
You rule, You reign
You said You're coming back again.
I know that You will
And all the earth will sing Your praises.

You took, You take our sins away, O God.
You give, You gave Your life away for us.
You came down, You saved us through the cross.
Our hearts are changed because of your great love.

You lived, You died.
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OFFERING

Offering will not be taken during worship; a basket is available in the back of the sanctuary to drop off today's offering. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.



The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the "For Children Everywhere" box.

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 our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

We pray in confidence in the words Jesus gave us:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG

Agnus Dei

Alleluia, alleluia, for the Lord God Almighty reigns.
Alleluia, alleluia, for the Lord God Almighty reigns.
Alleluia! Holy, Holy are You Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb,
For You are holy, holy are You Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb, Amen!

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Alleluia! Holy, Holy are You Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb,
For You are holy, holy are You Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb, amen!

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May Almighty God, who raised our Lord from death, lift you up and restore your life in the victory of his Son. **Amen.**

May Jesus Christ, the Son of God, give you his Word of new life, that you might be strengthened by the power of his resurrection to life everlasting. **Amen.**

May God the Holy Spirit, who creates, calls, and gathers the Church in faith, keep you in God's baptismal promise this day and always. **Amen.**

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SONG

My Redeemer Lives

I know He rescued my soul,
His blood has covered my sin,
I believe, I believe.

My shame He's taken away,
My pain is healed in His name.
I believe, I believe.
I'll raise a banner,
My Lord has conquered the grave.

My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives,
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You lift my burden, I'll rise with You:
I'm dancing on this mountaintop to see Your Kingdom come.

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SENDING MUSIC

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