

*Resurrection of
Our Lord*

St. Timothy Lutheran Church
Sharing God's Love Together



If you are a visitor with us today, we welcome you in the name of Christ.
We encourage our guests to join us in the communion meal because Jesus welcomes all to his table of grace, uniting and filling us for love and service. Christ is our host and our food, bearing to us God's forgiveness and grace through this harvest of field and vineyard.

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

APRIL 4, 2021

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

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Let us give thanks for the resurrection life we share in Christ.

We thank you, risen Christ, for the water of baptism, where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to give us rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

All: Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.

Pastor: Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.

All: Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

Pastor: Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts.

All: Shower us with life.

Pastor: To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

#365 vs. 1, 3, & 4

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| <p>1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
 our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
 who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
 suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!</p> <p>3 But the pains which he endured,
 Alleluia!
 our salvation have procured; Alleluia!</p> | <p>now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
 where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!</p> <p>4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
 praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
 praise him, all you heav'nly host,
 Alleluia!
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!</p> |
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GREETING

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

All: And also with you.

SONG OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of

God; to make all things new.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. God of mercy,

All: we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S WORD

Pastor Clark Brown

PSALM

Psalm 118: This Is the Day

Please join in singing the refrain. The cantor will sing the verses.

Refrain

This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.

This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.

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| <p>1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
His mercy endures forever;
Let the house of Israel say:
"His mercy endures forever."</p> <p>2. The Lord's right hand has struck with
power,
the Lord's right hand is exalted;
I shall not die, but live</p> | <p>and declare the works of the Lord.</p> <p>3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the Lord has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes!</p> |
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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.

Lector: A reading from First Corinthians.

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.

Lector: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we



go? You have the words of e - ter - nal



life. Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

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

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Clark Brown

HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

#367 vs. 1-3

1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
in praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Eternal is the gift he brings,
therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Now still he comes to give us life

and by his presence stills all strife.
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
set heart and will on things above
that we conquer through your triumph;
grant grace sufficient for life's day
that by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

AM: Let us confess together our faith in God's new day.

We know the fear of the upper room.

We know the feeling of hard days and long nights.

We know the grief of the tomb,

And the particular ache of saying goodbye.

**We know the pain of Good Friday,
And we know the darkness before dawn.
And still,
And still,
We believe.
We believe that again and again,
The sun will rise.
Again and again,
God will draw near.
Again and again,
We will march toward justice.
Again and again,
The tomb will be empty.
Again and again,
Love will win.
Again and again,
God will lead the church.
Again and again,
And again and again,
We will be loved.
The journey will not be perfect.
We will need to rise before dawn.
We will need angels along the way.
But again and again,
The sun will rise.
We believe. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love, responding to each petition with, “Your mercy is great.”

Praise to you for your power revealed in the resurrection! Fill your church with the power of your love that is stronger than death. Send us to tell the good news wherever death holds sway. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Praise to you for your life at work in the resurrection! Fill all of creation with your life. Bring it to blossom and flourish; use it to remind us of your persistent grace. Cultivate our care for what you have made. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Praise to you for the peace made possible in the resurrection! Fill the nations with your peace. Draw together people of all nations and languages; reveal new possibilities and inspire new beginnings. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Praise to you for the hope of the resurrection! Fill all in need with hope: those who are afraid or confused, those who are sick or suffering, those who are dying, and those who grieve. We pray especially for Michael, Ed, Stacey, Grace, Glenda, Sandy, David, Colbie, Dawn, Grant, the families and friends of Shelley Grace, Brenda Putz, and Philip Caniglia, and those that we now name silently or aloud... (pause). Assure them of your promises. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Praise to you for the joy of your resurrection! Fill this assembly with joy as we are called your beloved in baptism. Multiply that joy so that we share it at home, at work, and in our community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Praise to you for your faithfulness revealed in the resurrection! Fill us with trust, that we join with all who have gone before us in proclaiming: “your mercy endures forever!” Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

You are welcome to share Christ’s peace with those near you or using the comment section on YouTube.

GATHERING OF THE GIFTS

Let us remember to offer ourselves—our time, our abilities, our possessions—for the ongoing ministry of St. Timothy and the wider church. You may continue to send in your offering by postal mail or use our online giving option at www.sttim.org.

OFFERING PRAYER

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. God of love,

All: you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

Pastor: Let us give thanks and praise to God our creator.

All: We rejoice as we give thanks and praise for new life.

Pastor: Holy, living, and loving God... ..both now and forever.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as 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**

or **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**

Pastor: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

We receive the body and blood of Christ and share in the life of God as we accept the bread and wine or grape juice, and hear the words: “The body of Christ given for you” and “the blood of Christ shed for you.”

COMMUNION SONG

Now the Green Blade Rises

#379

- 1 Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.
- 2 In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again;
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.
- 3 Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.
- 4 When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

All: Amen.

SENDING

Pastor: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

All: Amen

SENDING SONG

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

#377 vs. 1, 3, & 5

1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

3 Jesus the vine, we are the branches;
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
gift of the future now flowing to me.

Refrain

5 City of God, Easter forever,
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and archangels,
sing with creation to God the I AM!

Refrain

DISMISSAL

Assisting Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Assisting Minister: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Presiding Minister—Pastor Clark Brown

Assisting Minister—Ida Barber

Musician—Desma Johnson

Cantor—Adrian and Bob Johannsen

Audio—Jim Helgason

Streaming Video—Jon Gerdes

Prayer Concerns

Please remember in your prayers:

The family and friends of Shelley Grace, Barbara Grace's daughter-in-law.

The family and friends of Brenda Putz, the mother of T. J. Racoosin.

Michael Grace, Barbara Grace's son, has ME/CFS pray he regains his strength.

Ed Olson, undergoing cancer treatment .

Stacey Himenes, undergoing cancer treatment.

Grace Cinke, a friend of Lynn Wagner, who has Covid 19.

Glenda Tankersley, Ia Boelter's niece still recovering in hospital.

The family of Philip Caniglia, father of Steve Solomon's friend Phyllis.

Sandy Hoskin, undergoing cancer treatment again.

David Holland, husband of Dee Holland and brother of Lucille Pires, undergoing chemo therapy for prostate and bone cancer.

Colbie Schueneman, grandniece of Adrian, 17^{1/2} months old diagnosed with a neuro-degenerative disease.

Dawn Stallings, daughter of Dolores, who has suffered a stroke.

Grant Hobson, grandnephew of Matt Schulz, being treated for leukemia, and his parents Claire and Luke.

Healthcare workers on the front line of the pandemic and essential workers facing daily risk of disease.

All service members, fire fighters, and police officers (and their families).

For those living in war-torn regions and all refugees.

For the mission of this congregation, the Monterey Bay Conference, and the entire Sierra Pacific Synod, and for our leaders and for the leaders throughout the world.

Please continue to pray for the ongoing concerns of these listed here.

Torie Hamilton

Rodger Marty

Bonnie Bennett

Jim McMullins

Bill Reynolds

Mary Lee Slater

Marjonie Gabriel

Tom Brown

Aaron Grieg

Byron Heppert

Jacqueline Graham

Gloria Llenaresas

Riley Ann Holland

Ronnie Lyons

Irene McCloud

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April 4, 2021

Notes and announcements

- **Worship for next Sunday, April 11,** will be a special service produced by the five synods of Region 2 and the preacher will be Pr. Shauna Hannon of PLTS. Watch your email for more information later this week.
- **The Congregational Annual Meeting** will be on **Sunday, April 11, 1 PM.** You can join the meeting in person or via Zoom. Please see the regular mail and email communications for more information. If you plan on coming to the meeting in person, please RSVP to the church office by the morning of Thursday, April 8: office@sttim.org or 375-2042.
- **As we are now live-streaming worship,** we can also accommodate a few people in the sanctuary each week, keeping well below the current guidelines of 25% capacity and maintaining safety protocols. With this limited space, we ask you to call or email the church office (831)375-2042 or office@sttim.org to let us know which Sundays you would like to attend and how are in your household.
- **Study, pray, and discuss during the week:** Join Pastors Clark and Tony: Wednesday 2 PM Bible Study
- **Online Worship:** All Sunday services online on sttim.org.
- **Social Hour:** We have a social hour on Zoom Sunday at 10:45 am. Information for worship and the social hour will be emailed each week. **If you want to be on our email list or have questions,** email/call/text Pastor Clark at pastorclark@sttim.org or 831-521-1818.
- **Preparing for communion.** Our online Sunday worship will include communion. As you feel called, prepare to share in communion by setting aside some bread or crackers, and some wine or juice, as you have them available. If you need any of these items, please contact Ida Barber.
- **Prayer Concerns:** Please call Dorothy Kirk with any new or changed prayer concerns at 375-1043.
- **Offering:** Please remember your offerings to St. Timothy. Offering can be mailed to the church office, sent automatically using your bank, or online by visiting our website www.sttim.org.
- **Thomas Carmen Food Pantry**—Is opening starting May 4th on Tuesdays from 3:00-6:00pm for loading bags. Volunteers are needed please contact: Debbie-Love-Sudduth at: rd-sudd@comcast.net or 408-499-4984