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The Resurrection of Our Lord

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**Color of the Day:** *White - the festival color of the Church. It is reserved for celebrations that reflect themes of purity, light, innocence, holiness, and redemption, including special events in Jesus' life as His Birth, Baptism, Transfiguration, and Resurrection.*



**Opening Hymn** . . . . . #457 - *Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia*

**Confession and Absolution** . . . . . Page 151

Service of the Word

**Introit** . . . . . Page 152

*Ex. 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: Ex. 15:1b.*

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed | gloriously;\*

the horse and his rider he has thrown in- | to the sea.

The LORD is my strength | and my song,\*

and he has become my sal- | vation.

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious | in power,\*

your right hand, O LORD, shatters the | enemy.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you | have redeemed;\*

you have guided them by your strength to your ho- | ly abode.

You will bring them in and plant them on your own | mountain,\*

the place, O LORD, which you have made for | your abode,

the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have es- | tablished.\*

The LORD will reign forever and | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed | gloriously;\*

the horse and his rider he has thrown in- | to the sea.

**Kyrie** . . . . . Page 152

**Hymn of Praise (This Is the Feast)** . . . . . Page 155

**Salutation & Collect of the Day** . . . . . Page 156

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.

**Old Testament Reading** . . . . . Page 156

*Isaiah 65:17-25*

<sup>17</sup>"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

**Gradual** . . . . . Page 156

*adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead

**[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor**

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands

**he has put all things under his feet**

**Epistle Reading** . . . . . Page 156

*1 Corinthians 15:19-26*

<sup>19</sup>If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits

of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

**Choral Anthem**

**Alleluia & Verse (Common)** . . . . . Page 156

**Holy Gospel** . . . . . Page 157

*Luke 24:1-12*

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. <sup>5</sup>And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." <sup>8</sup>And they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, <sup>11</sup>but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.



**Children’s Message**

**Hymn of the Day** . . . . . #461 - *I Know that My Redeemer Lives*

**The Sermon** . . . . . **Being the Body of Christ**

*1 Cor. 12:12-31a*

**Introduction**

He is risen!  
He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

**Introduction**

In a court of law \_\_\_\_\_:

**Resurrection Proof**

Examples from Catechetical Helps \_\_\_\_\_

Other Reasons to believe \_\_\_\_\_

**The Resurrection Demonstrates**

We have victory over \_\_\_\_\_.

**What Does This Mean?**

We are free from \_\_\_\_\_.

We have the promise of \_\_\_\_\_.

**How Is This Done?**

This is done by \_\_\_\_\_.

With the help and by the power of the Holy Spirit we \_\_\_\_\_.

We respond in faith as we \_\_\_\_\_.

He is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

**Other Notes or Questions for the Pastor:**

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*Miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine (teachings), check out Pastor's blog at: <http://rabswritings.blogspot.com/> or Pastor Mendez's blog at: <https://pastormendez.blogspot.com/>*

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Service of the Sacrament

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**Pax Domini and Agnus Dei** . . . . . Page 163

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*Before partaking of the Lord's Supper, we ask that you read our communion statement on the pew insert behind the Bible. Thank you.*

**Distribution Hymns** . . . #458 - *Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands*

#478 - *The Day of Resurrection*

#482 - *This Joyful Eastertide*

**Post-Communion Canticle (Thank the Lord)** . . . . . Page 164

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**Closing Hymn** . . . . . #465 - *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*