

Valley of Peace Lutheran Church

Resurrection of our Lord
April 20, 2025



Joy Comes in the Morning:
Easter Sunday

welcome



Welcome to Valley of Peace Lutheran Church where Christians from every tradition, people new to the faith, believers, questioners, and questioning believers are one together in Christ Jesus.

We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God and, by grace, is called a child of God, without exception and regardless of gender, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental ability, age, station in life, or political affiliation.

As a ministry of Jesus Christ, we envision a faith community that celebrates all people and strives for racial equity in all that we do.

We worship every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. during the school year and 9:30 a.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Our worship services are all streamed on Facebook Live. For more information please visit www.valleyofpeace.org

RECONCILING *in* **CHRIST**



*We are glad you are here.
Happy Easter.*

Valley of Peace Lutheran Church

April 20, 2025

10:15 a.m.

*All are welcome at Valley of Peace Lutheran Church.
Our worship includes many voices;
a special thank you to our musicians, worship leaders, and your voice.*

*You are invited to participate in worship in whatever way is most comfortable for you.
The congregation is invited to read together the parts in bold.
When you see + in worship, please stand in body or stand in spirit.*

GATHERING MUSIC

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

James Mansfield

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Risen Lord, we greet you on this happy morn. The holiest of weeks has come to an end.
Out of the night comes light, out of despair comes hope, out of death comes life.
What a wonderful day it is on which to gather and worship together.

The tomb is empty; the spirit of the risen Lord is abroad in the world, Alleluia!

Risen Lord, we call to you. Make yourself known to us. Give us a glimpse of your life-giving
glory; a sense of your living word. Speak to us of what happens now; let us hear what we,
your people, must do.

What a wonderful day it is on which to gather and worship together.

The tomb is empty; the spirit of the risen Lord is abroad in the world, Alleluia!

Risen Lord, we are your people. Death could not contain you; your power of goodness has
been unleashed. Let us draw strength in this world, for we are ready to walk with you into the
world, ready to be called by your spirit, in order to set love free for the good of all people.

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The tomb is empty; the spirit of the risen Lord is abroad in the world, Alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Words by George William Kitchin
and Michael Robert Newbolt, alt.

Hymntune *CRUCIFER*
Sydney Hugo Nicholson
Setting by HAL H. HOPSON

Refrain: Choir and Congregation

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

Stanzas

Choir 1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod, the
Choir 2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied bears
Choir 3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree, your
Choir and Cong. 4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: Praise

to Refrain
Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
on the brow the seal of Christ who died.
death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

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+THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of † the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God,
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that make a people your own,
that restore to wholeness,
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that strengthen believers
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;
waters that extend your boundless love
and cross barriers of our own making.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that open the hearts of believers
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;
waters that set your people on a new path,
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,
that our every day is shaped by these waters
that give us our very lives in you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
Amen.

All Creatures, Worship God Most High!
verses 1, 4, 5, 6



1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and
2 Sing, broth-er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
3 Sing, broth-er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
4 All who for love of God for-give, all who in pain or sor-row



sky: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Sing, broth-er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear sis-ter wa-ter, use-ful,
throng: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear moth-er earth, so rich in
grieve: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis-ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
care, praise God in col-ors bright and rare:
fears; still make your song a-mid the tears:



lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

5 And you, most gentle sister death,
waiting to hush our final breath:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
fair is the night that leads us home.
Alleluia.

6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia.

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+GREETING

The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. God of mercy, 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 and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FAITH MOMENT

ANTHEM

Alleluja from the Motet "Exsultate, jubilate"

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING.....Colossians 1:11-20

+GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your



ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

+EASTER GOSPEL READING.....Luke 24:1-12

+EASTER PROCLAMATION

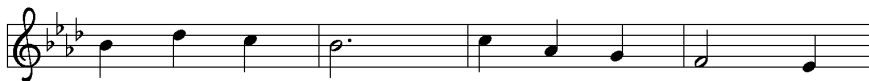
Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Refrain
 Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

+APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

+PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Each petition ends with Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with, **Hear our Prayer.***

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

Hallelujah Chorus

by G.F. Handel
arranged by Douglas E Wagner

Please remain seated for the special music.

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Risen One,
**You have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.
Come among us again,
breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world.
Amen.**



+HOLY COMMUNION

This is the day that in joy and delight
we join with all the angels of heaven and all the creatures on earth
to sing our praise and thanksgiving to you,
all holy and mighty and glorious God.

For Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

This is the day that you gave light to the earth.
This is the day that you saved the Israelites through the sea
and with your pillar of fire led them to freedom.
Now every night is as bright as day,
and that light is Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

This is the day that you broke the chains of death.
This is the day that, marrying heaven to earth,
you washed away sin, rescued us from evil, and brought us your peace.
The Lamb who was slain has begun to reign,
For Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

On the night before he died, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and gave thanks,
Broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
And gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
Shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

On this day send us the power of your Holy Spirit.
Revive us with the body and blood of our risen Savior.
Illumine our lives with your presence,
and shine your Morning Star over the whole human race,
for that light is Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

All holy and mighty and glorious God,
radiant Father, victorious Son, and shining Spirit,
we bless your salvation, we sing of your mercy,
and we praise your victory through all time and space,
for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed.**

Amen and amen.

Amen and amen.

+LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

+INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God sets before us a feast and opens gates wide for all to enter. Come join with all creation in the celebration of Christ's resurrection, remembering him in the sharing of this meal. Come with joy, for all is ready.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to receive communion at Valley of Peace.

We serve communion every Sunday by intinction.

*After the pastor speaks the words of distribution to online worshippers,
the ushers will then invite worshippers physically present to receive communion.*

If you are receiving communion by intinction, there will be bread and gluten-free wafers available.

As you come forward to receive communion, a communion server will serve you your preference.

Please take the bread or wafer and dip it into your preference of either wine or juice.

The first chalice will contain red wine and the second chalice will contain white grape juice.

*If you prefer not to receive communion by intinction,
there are pre-packaged communion kits with a gluten-free wafer and grape juice.*

You may pick this up on your way to communion.

*If you prefer not to receive communion at all,
please come forward with your hands across your chest and you will receive a blessing.*

If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 That, when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near, and seek where you are found:
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joyce and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joyce and say:
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

+COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

Let us pray. Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

+BLESSING

+SENDING HYMN

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

+DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

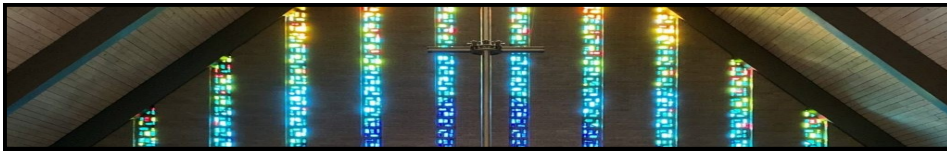
Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

He's Risen, He's Risen

Kenneth T. Kosche



In Worship Today

Presider/Preacher.....	Pastor Ashley Osborn
Pianist/Organist.....	Beth Brandt
Opener/Closer.....	Craig Franz
Greeter.....	Dan Johnson
Welcome Center.....	Julia Madison
Faith Moment.....	Pace Warfield
Ushers.....	Gina Privratsky, Lisa Thanghe, Darlene Lamker, Dean Lamker
Processional.....	Becca Anderson, Evelyn Anderson, Leo Anderson, Sara Blood
Worship Assistant.....	Becca Anderson
Communion Servers.....	Darcie Rodman, Heidi Boesen, Anna Campbell, Sara Blood
Reader.....	Diane Hinderlie
Music Provided By.....	Leo Cook, Trumpet, Chancel Choir, Bell Choir
Coffee Cart.....	Abby and Matt Stetler
Tech.....	Chuck Rudolph
Altar Care.....	Linda Franz

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In Worship on Sunday, April 27 at 10:15 a.m.

Preacher.....	Pace Warfield & Youth
Pianist/Organist.....	Beth Brandt
Opener/Closer.....	Paul Mikelson
Greeter.....	Gina Privratsky and Lisa Thanghe
Welcome Center.....	Diane Hinderlie
Ushers.....	<i>assign at worship</i>
Worship Assistant.....	Darcie Rodman
Communion Servers.....	No communion on 4/27
Reader.....	<i>assign at worship</i>
Coffee Cart.....	Chrys Johnson
Tech.....	Naomi Dybvig
Altar Care.....	Linda Franz
Bell Table Set Up.....	Darcie Rodman & Chuck Rudolph

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Reconciling In Christ Statement

We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God and, by grace, is called a child of God, without exception and regardless of gender, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, age, station in life, or political affiliation.



