

The background is a soft watercolor wash in shades of light blue, lavender, and pale yellow. Three black silhouettes of birds are scattered across the upper half of the image. At the bottom, there are dark, thin silhouettes of grass or reeds. The overall mood is peaceful and celebratory.

Alleluia!
Christ is risen!

Hope Lutheran Church

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Resurrection of Our Lord / EASTER DAY

Prelude, Welcome, Announcements

P: Christ is Risen!

C He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Invocation

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen**

Confession

P: Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God. God of grace and glory.

You have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Absolution

Opening Hymn Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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Hymn of Praise: He is Lord! He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord. Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess. That Jesus Christ is Lord!

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

O, God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him

forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music "Amazing Grace" The Rumery Family Join them on verses 3 & 4 page 448 LBW

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P: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.

Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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We welcome you to worship this wonderful Easter morning! If you are visiting, please sign our guestbook in the entry. As we celebrate Holy Communion, we invite all communing Christians to participate. Special thanks to Ruth Heitbrink for providing cinnamon rolls this morning.

Special thanks to the Rumery family for their special music!

In Our Prayers: Carol Speth.

Tuesday, April 23rd: Earth Day

Wednesday, April 23rd: 2:00 p.m. Linden View Worship, 4:00 p.m Kids for Christ, 6:00 p.m. 8th grade Confirmation at Grace

Sunday, April 27th: 10:00 a.m. Worship

APRIL IS CULTIVATING LOVE THROUGH CREATION

Thank you to everyone who brought lilies. The church looks lovely.

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FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality. ³⁵For in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace in Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced. ³⁷How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁸We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ³⁹but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴⁰not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴¹He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴²All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

or Isaiah 65:17-25 [not printed]

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²²for as all die in Adam, so

all will be made alive in Christ. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

or Acts 10:34-43 [see First Reading]

GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

or John 20:1-18 [not printed]