

**Faith and Rock Creek Lutheran Churches
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Resurrected Alleluias

Opening Hymn

Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks WOV 671

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

Jesus is Lord of all the earth; he is the king of creation

(refrain)

Spread the good news o'er all the earth; Jesus has died and has risen

(refrain)

We have been crucified with Christ; now we shall live forever

(refrain)

God has proclaimed the just reward; life for all people, alleluia

(refrain)

Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior

(refrain)

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

We rejoice in the waters of baptism where God claims us...God names us beloved and calls us by a new name, child of God

We rejoice in the waters of baptism where Jesus meets us in newness of life...Jesus washes away our sin, covering us in grace and mercy

We rejoice in the waters of baptism which are filled with the Holy Spirit...the Spirit awakens our hearts to justice and our lives to love.

Rejoicing in the gift of these sacramental waters we are filled with gratitude.

Thanks be to the Triune God who creates, redeems and guides us.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

God of Joy, in this season of resurrection and rejoicing we have much for which to give thanks. Guide us to respond generously to your faithfulness so that your church might continue to be a community where all are welcome to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Children's Message

Centering Song [Resurrection Song \(Thank Jesus\) - Genavieve Linkowski](#)

Welcome the Word

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Scripture Reading

John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’s head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them,

‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Jesus Christ is Risen Today LBW 151

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.

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia. Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia. Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia. Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia.

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.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Merciful God, Receive our prayer

Peace

Offering

Offertory Response

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives they are yours; we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you we are an offering, we are an offering.

Offering Prayer

God of Abundance, everything we have is yours. It all belongs to you. As an act of worship and a sign of trust we return this portion to your keeping. Do with it what you will. Give us only your love and grace at this table. That is enough for us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Consecration

Jesus invites us to rejoice in the sacramental life. He sets a table with his body and blood and bids us to partake in its promise. Before Christ died he shared this holy meal with his disciples...The resurrected Christ reserved a place at this table for you with forgiveness and mercy on the menu. Come and receive God's

goodness. May the gracious Holy Spirit be poured out upon this bread and cup as we pray the prayer that Jesus taught us...

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

God of New Life, in this meal we were made mindful of your mercy and grace. May these gifts encourage us to rejoice through sharing the time, talents and treasures you have given us so that the world may know that we have seen the Lord. In the name of Jesus, the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The Triune God rejoices in you!

You have been blessed to be a blessing.

May God our Creator create in you a generous heart

May Jesus our Savior inspire in you a desire to give and

May the Holy Spirit our Guide lead you to share abundantly
in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sending Hymn

Go to the World ACS 991

Go to the world. Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth, baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Go to the world. Go into every place. Go live the word of God's redeeming grace. Go seek God's presence in each time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Go to the world. Go struggle, bless, and pray; the nights of tears
give
way to joyous day. As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Go to the world. Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age
shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry, Amen!

Alleluia! Alleluia

Dismissal Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Rejoice in the Resurrection. Give with a generous heart.

Thanks be to God!

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