

# RESPONSIBLE LIVING - JOYFUL GIVING

Redefining Stewardship as "Whole Life" Stewardship

# EASTER SUNDAY April 12, 2020

New Life Lutheran Church Pearland, Texas 8:00AM



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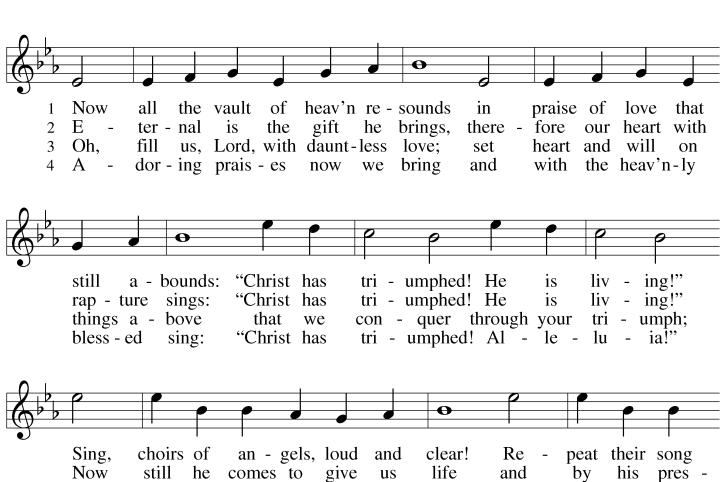
# GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

- ROOTED in the Word
- REFRESHED in the Spirit
- REACHING into the Neighborhood & the World!

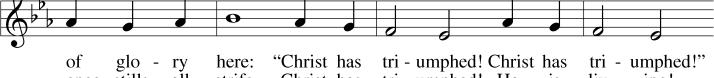
This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

#### FAITH5 - GATHER

### Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



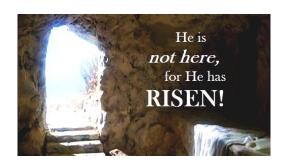
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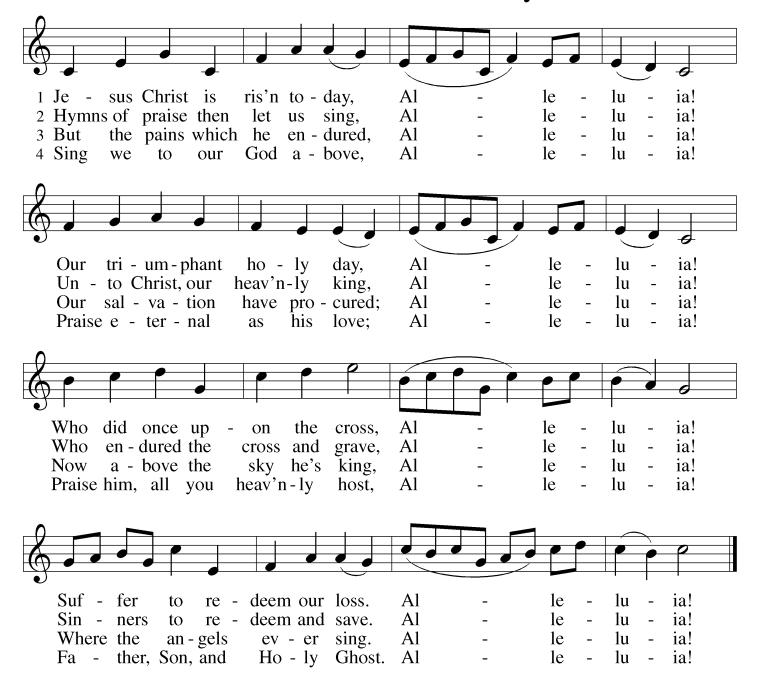
ence stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He liv - ing! is we tru ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv ing! most ho -God, all the glo - ry, end - ing! ly nev - er



#### WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE PARISH



# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708, sts. 1–3 Music: EASTER HYMN, *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

P: It's Easter Sunday – the day we celebrate the ending of the story of Jesus' suffering and dying for our sins! Death has no grip on him. He is risen from the dead, making the life we now share... brand new! It is the tradition of the church to celebrate the resurrection with a simple call and response, so throughout today, when someone says "He is risen," we will respond with a loud, hearty, "He is risen indeed."

A: Christ our Savior was raised from the dead!

C: Death has no power over him!

A: The death he died, he died to sin once for all;

C: and now the resurrection life he lives; he lives to God!

ALL: The resurrection life that is ours! Alleluia!

-Adapted from Romans 6:9-10

P: He is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

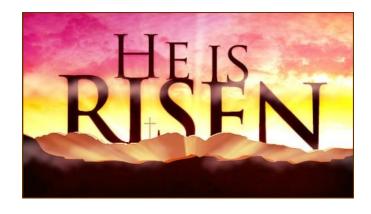
A: He is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

P: He is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

ALL: All-le-lu-ia!



#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.



## Thine Is the Glory



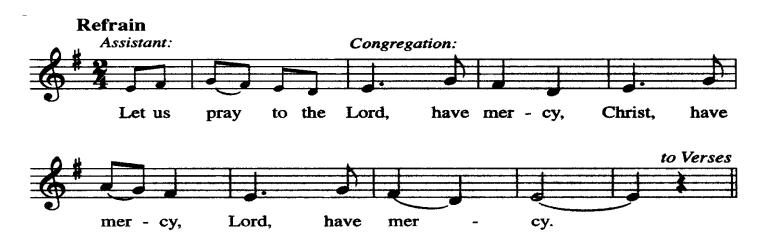
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#### **GREETING**

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with every one here.
- C: And also with you.

# **KYRIE**

A: In peace, in peace,



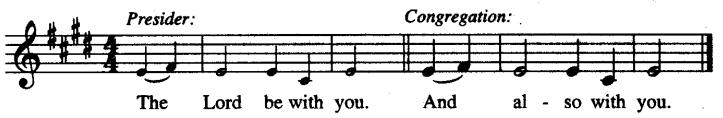
- A: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all...
- A: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word...



## **NOW THE FEAST**







## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. O God,

C: 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 Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

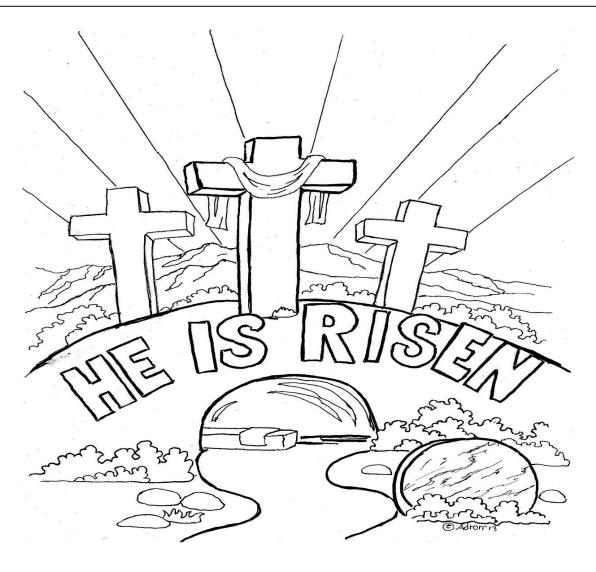
#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sang Kim

Each Sunday a special message is shared with all the children ages infants through 6th grade.

All God's children are welcome!







### First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38how 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. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not 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. <sup>42</sup>He 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. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Here ends the reading.

## Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

<sup>1</sup>If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

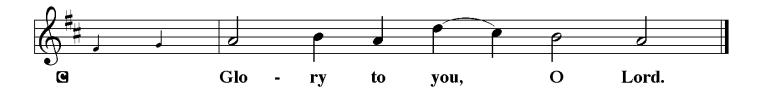
R: Word of God. Word of Life!

C: Thanks be to God!





The Good News of Jesus, Son of God, according to Saint Matthew.



#### GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

### (Bold - verse for FAITH5)

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ¹Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." <sup>8</sup>So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹¹Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

P: Word of God. Word of Life!

C: Thanks be to God.

#### "We Believe"

In this time of desperation, when all we know is doubt and fear, there is only one foundation. We believe, we believe.

In this broken generation, when all is dark, You help us see. There is only one salvation. We believe, we believe.

#### REFRAIN

We believe in God the Father; we believe in Jesus Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit; and He's given us new life. We believe in the crucifixion; we believe that He conquered death. We believe in the resurrection; and He's comin' back again, we believe.

So, let our faith be more than anthems greater than the songs we sing.
And in our weakness and temptations we believe, we believe!

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We believe in the crucifixion; we believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection; and He's comin' back again, we believe.

#### BRIDGE

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised; in the here and now, let love invade!

Let the church live loud! Our God, we'll say, "We believe! We believe!" And the gates of hell will not prevail, for the pow'r of God has torn the veil. Now we know Your love will never fail. We believe! We believe!

#### REFRAIN

We believe in God the Father; we believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit; and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion; we believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection; and He's comin' back!
He's comin' back again! He's comin' back again!
We believe, We believe!

#### THE OFFERING IS GIVEN

Giving is good for the giver; promoting our trust in God and providing blessings to the world.

#### THE OFFERTORY

Johnny Salvesen

## TEXT GIVING is now available at New Life

You can now tithe via text. Text to **281.864.3278**, add a \$\$ amount to the message box and send. A link will appear for a 1 time set up.

Once it is set-up, it takes seconds to give again.

You can also give thru the New Life website NewLifeLutheran.com There is a give page and donate options on most of the tabs main pages.

Checks can also be dropped off at the Church or mailed in.

Thank you for supporting New Life's ministry.

Giving Update As of Sunday, March 29th, 102% of the Minimum Monthly Giving Goal for March has been received. Thank you!



## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### FAITH5 - PRAY

P: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: God of resurrection, from the very beginning you give the church the gift of women as your witnesses: as preachers, teachers, and leaders. Open our ears to their proclamation this day and always. Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: All your creation praises you—
the earth hums, the seas pulse,
the stars shine, and the galaxies
whirl in glorious harmonies to
honor you. Let us hear and
blend our voices in the song.
Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: The countries of the world experience disunity and conflict; we set our minds on fear and greed rather than on your rule of justice and steadfast love. Build up all countries on your cornerstone of peace. Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: We still weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn. Cradle the fearful, the suffering, and the dying, assuring them of your loving presence (especially). Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Bless the creative and helpful service of worship leaders this day. May the words, the prayers and the songs bless our lives wherever we are so that we may be a blessing to others. Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Risen Lord, you went ahead of us into the grave and defeated the powers of evil. We remember those who have died. Inspire us to live our lives in this resurrection hope and draw us to you in our final days. Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.



P: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.



# THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who is in heaven. Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come; your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

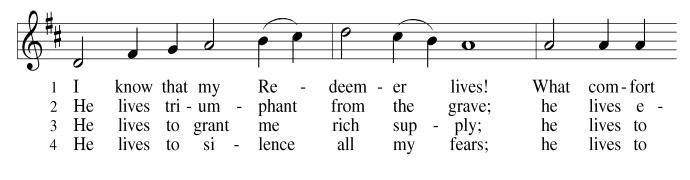
## FAITH5 - BLESS

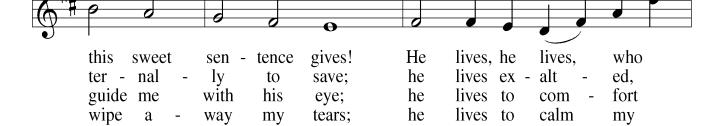
P: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, & Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen!

#### A SENDING SONG

# I Know That My Redeemer Lives!







- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- <sup>6</sup> He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799, alt. Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

## WE GO TO SERVE THE LORD

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: Christ is risen, just as he said.
Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia! Amen!



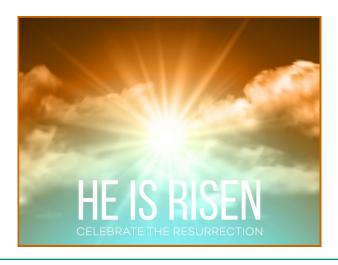
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Sunday, April 12th - Easter Sunday

Celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus, Son of God and Savior of the Cosmos

Facebook Livestream on NEW LIFE IN PEARLAND
At 8am and available @ 10:30am and all day



Live-Streamed
Worship will continue
throughout the
Sundays of Easter.

ALL Activities/events/classes, etc are suspended until at least April 30th. Sunday's Cool and Faith Practices are being reworked for upcoming events.

Per ELCA and local Government recommendations,

- \* As of March 16, all gatherings for worship services and events will be held virtually instead of face to face until at least April 5. Pearland ISD has suspended classes until April 10, hoping to return Easter Monday, April 13. We will keep watch, too.
- \* Thus, there will be no public gathering for worship for the next 2 Sundays. Services will be live streamed via the NEW LIFE IN PEARLAND Facebook page. If you are not a subscriber to FB, you probably know someone who is and can view with them.
- \* **RECOVERY GROUPS @ NEW LIFE...** (AA, Al-Anon, etc) <u>WILL</u> be able to use New Life's facilities each week asking participants to observe social distancing space. For those who may sense they are not well are asked to remain at home and each group will sanitize the meeting area in preparation for the next group.