



You will not abandon
my soul to Sheol

Psalm 16:10

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April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

Worship Service at 10:30 am

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Prelude Glorious Days

Announcements

Opening Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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Sermon Hymn: I Know That My Redeemer Lives

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Theme “Dead and Buried, Yet Alive and Well”

1. Alive, Well, and Standing Strong

2. Alive, Well, and Working Hard

Hymn: Easter Song

Handout

Closing Hymn: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

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Sacrament of Holy Communion

Our Lord shares with us His Precious Body & Blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite those who are baptized Christians who are able to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of Christian faith:

*I believe that Jesus is my Lord and Savior from all sin.

*I believe that the true body & blood of Christ is present in the Sacrament.

*I resolve, with the Holy Spirit's help to live for my Lord & witness through my actions that He is my Savior.

WELCOME to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod on this day, Easter Sunday

Prepare for Worship. Enter reverently, pray thoughtfully, enjoy the time prior to worship in spiritual meditation.

The Nursery/Lounge is located just past the Ladies room, off the Narthex. Please be assured that children of all ages are encouraged to participate in the worship service.

Fellowship Register: We ask (members, friends, and visitors) to fill out The Fellowship Book which is located at the end of each pew. Please include your name, address and telephone number.

May our Risen Savior bless you with the joy and the peace that only he can give!

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 65:17–25

- ¹⁷ “Behold, I create new heavens
and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be
remembered
or come into mind.
¹⁸ 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.
¹⁹ 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.
²⁰ 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.
²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit
them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat
their fruit.
²² 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.
²³ 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.
²⁴ Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
²⁵ 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.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

¹⁹If in 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 firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule 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.

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:1–12

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And 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? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” ⁸And they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now 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, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But 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.

About the Cover: David’s psalm proclaims that the Lord is at his right hand, and at the Lord’s right hand are pleasures forevermore (see Psalm 16:8, 11). David’s soul will not be abandoned to Sheol. While David died and remained in the tomb, we know that this psalm is ultimately about Jesus. Jesus is the Holy One who did not see corruption in the tomb. He was raised from the dead, ascended, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father. Jesus will bring David and all who are in Him by faith to the resurrected life. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!



Easter