

# ***LUTHERAN CHAPEL***



**2 SAMUEL 7:1-17 AND JOHN 20:19-31**

***"The Risen Jesus Encounters Thomas"***

**ANTE COMMUNION  
2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
APRIL 12, 2025**

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SERVICE OF ANTE COMMUNION**

*BOLD indicates congregational responses - \* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

**GATHER**

**PRELUDE**

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"

Flor Peeters

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*Matthew 28:19b*

**C: Amen.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*1 John 1:8-9*

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

**THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

*Exodus 20:1-17*

- 1. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of slavery; you shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

**THE GREAT COMMANDMENT**

*Mark 12:28-31*

**You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.**

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**\*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

*2 Corinthians 13:13*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**\*THE KYRIE**

*Mark 10:47, pg. 147*

AM: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

AM: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**\*GLORY TO GOD**

*Luke 2:14, John 1:29, pg. 148*

AM: Glory to God in the highest; and peace to God's people on earth.

**C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,**

**We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:**

**Have mercy on us;**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*(In Unison)*

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

**C: Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**WORD**

**MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

*All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.*

<sup>1</sup> Now when the king was settled in his house and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup> the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” <sup>3</sup> Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind, for the Lord is with you.”

<sup>4</sup> But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, <sup>5</sup> “Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? <sup>6</sup> I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. <sup>7</sup> Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, ‘Why have you not built me a house of cedar?’” <sup>8</sup> Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel, <sup>9</sup> and I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you, and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. <sup>10</sup> And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place and be disturbed no more, and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, <sup>11</sup> from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel, and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. <sup>12</sup> When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup> **He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.** <sup>14</sup> I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings. <sup>15</sup> But I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. <sup>16</sup> Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.” <sup>17</sup> In accordance with all these words and with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

*The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Memory verse is in bold.*

*Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: **Kings and Prophets** : Exile :  
Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : JESUS : +Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

### PSALM 16

O Lord, You are the cen-ter of my life; I will al-ways praise You,  
I will al-ways serve You, I will al-ways keep You in my sight.

Music: Paul Inwood  
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Keep me safe, O God, I take refuge in You. I say to the Lord, "You are my God. My happiness lies in You alone; my happiness lies in You alone."

**Refrain**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight; since He is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

**Refrain**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; Even in safety shall my body rest. For You will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let Your beloved know decay.

**Refrain**

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence, at Your right hand, happiness forever.

**Refrain**

**SECOND LESSON**

**1 PETER 1:3-9**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*John 6:68*

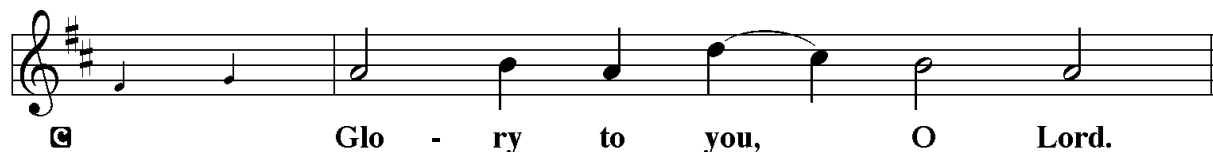
**Alleluia. Lord to who shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**\*GOSPEL**

**JOHN 20:19-31**

*Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.*

Response after the announcement:



<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

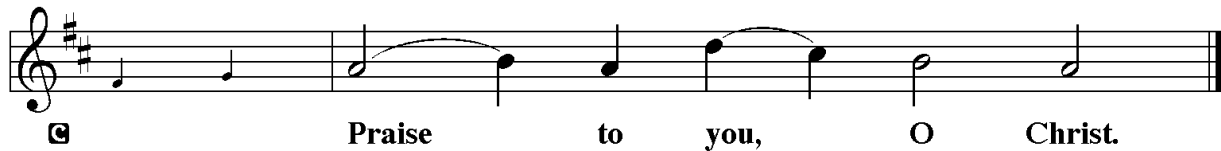
<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I

see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



## MESSAGE

*"The Risen Jesus Encounters Thomas"*

The King That Rules Forever  
Doubting Thomas, Faithful Thomas

**The Law** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: I can't see and touch the wounds of Jesus like Thomas did, do I believe? Will doubts lead me to a deeper faith or into nihilism?

**The Gospel** is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: The risen Jesus blesses all who believe throughout the journey of faith – sometimes in very surprising ways.

**So What?/Plain Sense:** Pray the question. Share with trusted community. Be willing to wait. Remember Thomas waited a whole week before seeing the risen Jesus! Laugh more.

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

*"The Risen Christ"*

ELW #390

## \*THE APOSTLES' CREED

*All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and**

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body  
and the life + everlasting. Amen.

**\*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*Philippians 4:7*

P: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"*

Michael D. Costella

**\*OFFERTORY**

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

*Psalms 51:10-1*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*(In Unison)*

**C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond* **Hear our prayers.**

*Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.*

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

AM: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy 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 Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

**SENDING**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*"Thine Is the Glory"*

**ELW #376**

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace, serve the Lord!

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

*"Chorale Prelude"*

*Healey Willan*



*In Honor &*  
**MEMORY** 

**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS:** Given by Bob and Jenny Williamson in honor of their 45th Wedding Anniversary.

*Serving the*  
**CHURCH** 

Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Susan Hibsich
Director of Music Ministries.....	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist.....	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister.....	Adam DeLuca
Acolyte.....	Elena Hoffman
Lector.....	Jeanette Myers
Crucifer.....	Corbin Brown
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Debra Hoffman
Council Members of the Month.....	David Zibell and Jenny Williamson

# Upcoming EVENTS

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE:** This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



**CHURCH COUNCIL:** The council requests that all Committee Chairs and Committee Leads attend a brief meeting immediately following the service today in the Family Life Center.

**SUFFRAGES AND THE CHOSEN:** All are invited on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Chapel for prayer and to watch an episode of The Chosen, a series on the Life of Jesus.

**OWLS:** We hope you’ll join us for our OWL-standing time of fellowship on Thursday, April 16, at 11:00 am at Hillbilly’s Barbeque, Lowell.

**CLOTHING CLOSET GIVEAWAY:** Saturday, April 18 from 9-12 pm

**BROTHERHOOD OUTING:** Please join us for a tour of PFC Brakes in Clover on Thursday, April 23. This plant is renowned for the construction and development of high-performance braking systems used in many vehicles, including NASCAR race cars. All who would like to ride on the church bus, please meet at 5 pm at the church, then we will eat at The Eagle's Nest in Clover before our 6:30 pm tour. Call the church office or share with Mr. Charles Edwards or the Pastor if you plan on going.

**HICKORY CRAWDADS BASEBALL OUTING:** Join us on Tuesday, May 5th at 7:00 pm. Price includes all-you-can-eat picnic and game tickets for \$32.00. Make checks payable to Hickory Crawdads. Please return forms no later than May 1st.

**LOVE OFFERING FOR APRIL:** Our love offering for April is the Lutheran Services Carolinas, a faith-based health and human resources organization serving children, families and seniors in the Carolinas. They serve in Gaston County through adoption, adult residential services, child and youth residential services, disaster preparedness and response, family counseling, foster care and homelessness prevention, refugee and resettlement and immigration, and veterans services.

**CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES:** Please remember that we will continue to collect food for the Crisis Assistance Ministry throughout the year. You may place food in the blue collection box in the hallway near our fellowship hall and in the CAM basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. The Social Ministry team will deliver to CAM when the box is full – so keep us busy! Thank you so much!

*Welcome  
New Members*

*Charles & Carolyn Niemeyer*



*Chuck & Bridget Niemeyer*

# Weekly **CALENDAR**



## **Sunday, April 12**

8:30 am Fellowship  
9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)  
**11:00 am Council Meeting**  
11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)  
4-6 pm Life in Christ Lutheran Mission (Chosen Mission)  
8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Monday, April 13**

8:30 am. Preschool  
**10:00 am Esther Circle (Fellowship Hall)**  
**6:00 pm Rebecca Circle (Fellowship Hall)**

## **Tuesday, April 14**

8:30 am Preschool  
10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday  
5:30 pm Chapel Ringers (Sanctuary)

## **Wednesday, April 15**

8:30 am Preschool  
7:00 pm Suffrages, The Chosen (Chapel)

## **Thursday, April 16**

8:30 am Preschool  
11:00 am Owls

## **Friday, April 17**

9:00 am Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

## **Saturday, April 18**

9:30 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)  
**9-12 pm Clothing Closet Giveaway**

# Let's PRAY

**DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1, 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

**THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 15 April 12 to April 19, 2026. Read the whole Bible.**

04/12 Morning Reading: Luke 11:29-54—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 19, 20, 21

04/13 Morning Reading: Luke 12:1-31—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 22, 23, 24

04/14 Morning Reading: Luke 12:32-59—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 25, 26

04/15 Morning Reading: Luke 13:1-22—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 27, 28, 29

04/16 Morning Reading: Luke 13:23-35—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 30, 31

04/17 Morning Reading: Luke 14:1-24—Evening Reading: 2 Samuel 1, 2

04/18 Morning Reading: Luke 14:25-35—Evening Reading: 2 Samuel 3, 4, 5

04/19 Morning Reading: Luke 15:1-10—Evening Reading: 2 Samuel 6, 7, 8

**The Psalter - Prayerbook of the Bible: Psalms for Easter**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	95, 9	95, 16	95, 23	95, 24	95, 47	95, 100	95, 111
Evening	118	145	146	147	148	149	150

**Invitatory (with Psalm 95):** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! O come, let us worship Him.

**Antiphon for Easter:** Alleluia! The Lord has risen. Alleluia! Just as He told you. Alleluia! Alleluia! (Luke 24:34, Mark 16:7)

**This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations for the week.**



**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Ann Behringer, Shirley Bradley, Miles Carpenter, Shirley Carpenter, George Cashion, Judy Gault, Baker Hampton, Henry Hoffman, Jason Lineberger, Pat Robinson, Fred Ward, Gene Weaver and Jenny Williamson.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Kathy Bradley, Faye Breedlove, Gage Brown, Deborah Carpenter, Zandra Chavis, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Genniser Devega, Tucker Doyne, Ralph Euchner, Kenny Falls, Jack Fitzgerrel, Jameson Franklin, Les Frye, Carolyn Gantt, Abi Gordon, Jan Green, Jerry Green, Terri Hartsfield, John, Kathy Jenkins, Don Kincaid, Sherry McCart, Betty Parlier, John and Ann Peters, Rita Pasour, Carol Shehan, Jeff Smith, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Kennedy Williams and For our Nation and Military during Operation Epic Fury.

*To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).*

**NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS**

**Wednesday, April 15 ~ Vespers and the Chosen**

Psalm 104 "*Psalm of the Good Creation*" and the Chosen "*Humble*"

**Sunday, April 19 ~ Holy Communion**

2 Samuel 11 and Luke 24:13-35 - "*Road to Emmaus 2026*"

# Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;  
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay  
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re- turns to life once more;  
 now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris - ing of to - day.  
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.

Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;  
 death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;

bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 an - gels on his steps at - tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.  
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.  
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

*Refrain*

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!

Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.  
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844-1927

# The Risen Christ



1 The ris - en Christ, who walks on wound-ed feet  
2 The ris - en Christ, who stands with wound-ed side,  
3 The ris - en Christ, who breaks with wound-ed hand  
4 May we, Christ's bod - y, walk and serve and stand



from gar - den tomb through dark-ened cit - y street,  
breathes out his Spir - it on them to a - bide  
the bread for those who fail to un - der - stand,  
with those op - pressed in this and ev - 'ry land,



un - locks the door of grief, de - spair, and fear,  
whose faith still wa - vers, who dare not be - lieve;  
re - veals him - self, de - spite their lin - g'ring tears,  
till all are blessed and can a bless - ing be,



and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.  
new grace, new strength, new pur - pose they re - ceive.  
en - flames their hearts, then quick - ly dis - ap - pears.  
re - stored in Christ to true hu - man - i - ty.

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# Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness  
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

*Refrain*

where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!