



Celebrate the

*Miracle
of Easter!*

Behold, I make all things new. REVELATION 21:5

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

The Paschal Blessing

Call to Worship

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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Announcements

* (*indicates please stand*)

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. 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.**

* Greeting & Passing of Peace

Hymn of Praise

Now the Feast and Celebration

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Prayer of the Day

Hymn

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

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please be seated

Lesson

1st Corinthians 15:1-11

Pew Bible pg 1048

Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

Pew Bible pg 929

Children's Message

Pastor Steve Albertin

Sermon

"The Rest of the Story ... In Galilee"

Pastor Steve Albertin

- The Gospel of Mark seems to end like a bad movie. It leaves us hanging, incomplete, literally in the middle of a sentence.
- It is up to the readers and hearers of this story to finish it by how they respond to it and live their lives.
- But that's exactly the problem: in our hands the story always seems to end miserably.
- Therefore, Jesus writes the rest of the story for us by keeping his promise and appearing "in Galilee."
- Where is "Galilee" for us? In the ordinary and mundane places of this world where God keeps his promises and we are loved.
- Therefore, trusting God's promise, it possible for us to write the rest of the Easter story and bring it to its completion in our ordinary lives "in Galilee."

* Song

The Power of the Cross

please be seated

The Offering

* Offertory

We Are an Offering

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* Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the Church : *(the congregation joins in speaking the first names of those for whom we pray.)*

Members:

Wayne, Carole, Vickie, John, Kay, Lee & Wes

Family & Friends

Gene & Sylvia, Ann, Bob, George, Carol, Linda, Jeannie, Joyce,

Randall & Mary, David, Ken, Jan, Susan

Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen!**

please be seated

Distribution

All baptized Christians who seek the blessings of Christ's true body and blood in the bread and wine of Holy Communion are welcome at his table. There, they receive him and the new life he offers. Those who eat and drink at his table commit themselves to the care and redemption of all that God has made. If you are not baptized, contact Pastor Albertin to learn how you can receive the great gift God has for you in baptism. Today, you are welcome to join us at Christ's table.

Benediction

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

* **Sending Song**

Easter Song

Please join us in Fellowship Hall for Easter Breakfast!