# **April 20, 2025**

# The Resurrection of Our Lord and Holy Communion

#### INTRODUCTION

"The last enemy to be destroyed is death," Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PRELUDE Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing Arr. Reuss

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**RESURRECTION HYMN Red hymnal #365** Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

#### EASTER PROCLAMATION

- P: Christ is risen.
- C: He is risen indeed.
- P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P: The stone has been rolled away! Alleluia!
- C: The crucified is risen! Alleluia!
- P: Death, be not proud. Death, you shall die!
- C: For Christ is risen!
- P: He has destroyed the shroud that enfolds all peoples!
- C: He has swallowed up the sheet that covers all nations!
- P: He wipes away the tears from our faces.
- C: He removes the disgrace of His people.
- P: People of God—Friday was not the end of God's story! Our God is a God of the living! Jesus Christ has risen to save you! He has risen to give you life! People of God—look! The tomb is empty! His has risen!
- C: The tomb is empty! Alleluia!
- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

# **HYMN OF PRAISE Red Hymnal Page 140**

C: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### **GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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 you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day.

C: O God, 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.

CHANCEL CHOIR Director: Bill Jones At the Cross

Composer: Rebecca Mullen

# **THE WORD**

# FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

R: <sup>34</sup>Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but 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: <sup>38</sup>how 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; <sup>40</sup>but 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."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

R: <sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

C: <sup>2</sup>Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

R: <sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

C: <sup>15</sup>Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

R: <sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

C: <sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

R: <sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

C: <sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness; | will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

R: <sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

C: <sup>21</sup>I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

R: <sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

C: <sup>23</sup>By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

R: <sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

# SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

R: <sup>19</sup>If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup>for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Red Hymnal Page 142**



## **HOLY GOSPEL**

P: The Holy Gospel according to **Luke 24:1-12** 

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: <sup>1</sup>On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb. taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup>The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup>Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SERMON** Pastor Jaren Summers

**HYMN** Red hymnal #672

Signs and Wonders

#### **RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

#### NICENE CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: 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 THE CHURCH** (Response after each petition)

P: Lord in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer....

# OFFERING—INVITATION—-God's Work Continues

CHANCEL CHOIR

I Know That My Redeemer Lives: Shout On!

Director: Bill Jones Composer: Traditional, Arr. Evelyn R. Larter

#### **COMMUNION PREFACE**

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

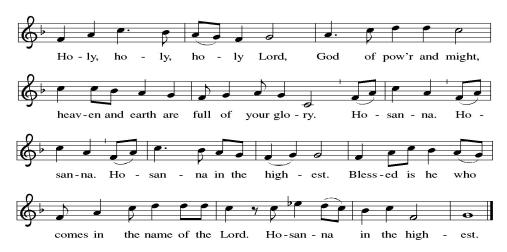
C: We lift them to the Lord

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God...(The pastor continues with the proper preface for the day)...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.

# **SANCTUS Red hymnal page 144**



## **EUCHARIST PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: ...as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: ...grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: ...Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: ...we praise You, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now & forever

C: Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** (All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)

## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Red hymnal #369 Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia!
Red hymnal #391 This Joyful Eastertide
Red hymnal #367 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: Now may the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

## **BLESSING**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

# **HYMN Red hymnal #376**

Thine is the Glory

## **DISMISSAL**

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church

C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is: "Serving Christ through serving Others."

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE We Know that Christ is Raised Arr. Cherwein

The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by Linda Hood in memory of Edwin Hood.

Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.

# In Helpful Service

Pastor Jaren Summers
Reader Chris Frame
Communion Assist Bob Keppel

Ushers Linda Holt & Beth Ferryman

Greeters Carla & Chris Frame

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EASTER PLANTS** can be picked up following 10:00 worship.

# APRIL MISSION OF THE MONTH: A Little Kindness

We will be collecting items for *Little Kindness* during the month of April. Pam Hale (sister of Terri Darrah) heads up this non-profit which provides Chemotherapy Care Bags through *Pink Ribbon Girls* to local hospitals and churches. Pam's motto is "Never underestimate the power of a kind word or deed." Please take one or two eggs from the Easter basket in the narthex. Purchase the item(s) and return them to the mission box by April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please write it out to *Women of Zion*. Any questions contact Deb Keppel.

WE NEED YOUR PICTURE FOR THE CHURCH ROSTER The Communications/ Welcoming Committee is working on creating a church roster for all members which will have names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and pictures! We hope to update the roster a couple of times a year so that current information is available for all members of Zion. The roster will be printed on pages stapled together and will replace the loose leaf notebooks we currently use. If you have a current photograph of you and your family (if you have children), please email the picture to the church office at office@ziontippcity.org or place the photograph in Deb Keppel's mailbox. We will return the photo to you after we scan it. We can also take your picture before or after service in the next few weeks. Deb Keppel or Jill Greer will be taking pictures in the Fellowship Hall.

**CHURCH LAWN MOWING** A sign-up poster is available for those who can help with the **Zion lawn mowing** If you have any questions, please contact Bob Keppel at 689-3892. See Bob for the garage key.

**WOMEN OF ZION LADIES NIGHT OUT Sunday, May 18th, 6:00 pm** at Dos Lunas. All women of Zion are invited to an evening of good food and fellowship. Please bring money for your meal. A very short meeting will take place during the evening.

9.

## **EASTER FLOWERS**

Beautiful flowers have been given to the honor and glory of God in memory of or in honor of loved ones. If you have ordered a flower, please take it home following the 10:00 service.

Rick & Judy Bailey in memory of their parents, Anna & George Garrety and Ken & Vi Bailey

Colleen Behnke

Carol Friss in memory of her parents Glenn & Valerie Smith

Gary & Kathy Groth in honor of their six grandchildren

Linda Holt in honor of Annette Calicoat

Linda Hood in Memory of Edwin Hood.

Doug & Denise Jacobs in memory of their parents and sister.

Doug & Denise Jacobs In honor of our children and grandchildren

Bill & Kim Jones in honor of their children and grandchildren.

Bob & Deb Keppel in memory of their parents and Anne Keppel

Bob & Deb Keppel in honor their daughters Katie & Colleen, son-in-law Brandon and grandchildren.

John & Dianne LeGros in memory of Heather & Holly LeGros

Dale & Debbie Rudisill in memory of their parents and siblings

Anita Schneider & Joyce, sisters & Mark, brother in honor of Linda Holt.

Ruth Stollmer in memory of Bob Stollmer.

Chuck & Erma Swanson in honor of their children and grandchildren

Randy & Debbie Turner in memory of Leslie M. Turner

Randy & Debbie Turner in memory of Catlin Wolf

Tom & Babs Wesbecher in memory of family & friends no longer with us

Felicia Young & Wayne Fronczak in memory of all who have gone before us.

# THIS WEEK AT ZION

Monday, April 21 10:30 am Mission Quilts

3:30 pm TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

6:30 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 22 10:00 am Mission Quilts

1:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

8:00 - 9:00 pm AA

Wednesday, April 23 No Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, April 24** 7:00 pm Compassionate Friends

Sunday, April 27 Randall Residence Outreach



## **WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!**

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Third & Main Street, Tipp City, Ohio 45371 Church Office: 14 West Walnut Street

(937) 667-3110

Website: www.ziontippcity.org E-mail: office@ziontippcity.org

# **Staff**

Jaren Summers, *Pastor*; Bill Jones & Susie Gray, *Choir Directors*; Lori Sebastian, *Organist;* Jessica Dorn, Christian Education Director; Annette Calicoat, *Office Manager;* Sue Rambeau, *Treasurer;* Tina Putnam. *Custodian*