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Easter Sunday!

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Welcome to Shepherd of the Lakes

We're here to shepherd Christ's flock and seek the lost sheep by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with all. Come, let us worship!

For Mour Convenience...

A room for any parents with children in need of a quiet place is located in the back corner of the sanctuary. **Restrooms** are located on the lower level. Please ask if you have any further questions or concerns.

Prayer before worship

O Lord, you made the dawn of this Holy Easter Day shine with the glory of our Savior's resurrection. Grant that we, who have been raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit, may worship you in sincerity and truth!

In Jesus' name. Amen.

The Festival of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ 骨

The Gathering

Please Stand

INVOCATION

M(inister): In the name of the Father; and of the ⁺ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C(ongregation): Amen.

AN EASTER DIALOGUE

M: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed!

M: Let us rejoice and give thanks to God for the victory our Lord Jesus Christ won by his death and resurrection. It is for us that he has triumphed.

Silence

M: Christ died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. 2 *Corinthians 5:15*

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:57

M: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has

come! 2 Corinthians 5:17

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: For God, who created light to shine out of darkness, made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Ephesians 5:8

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- *M:* If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. *Romans 14:8*
- C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- *M:* We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. *Romans 6:4*

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- M: Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? 1 Corinthians 15:54,55
- C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Please Be Seated

THE WORD Х

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in the newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.

C: Amen

Please Be Seated

FIRST LESSON: Jonah 2:2-9

²He said:

"In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry. ³You hurled me into the depths, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me. ⁴I said, 'I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.' ⁵The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head. ⁶To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever. But you, LORD my God, brought my life up from the pit. ⁷ "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple. 8 "Those who cling to worthless idols

turn away from God's love for them. ⁹ But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the LORD.'''

PSALM OF THE DAY: CW 118

SECOND LESSON: Colossians 3:1-4

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

VERSE OF THE DAY Psalm 118:24

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! This is the day that the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL Matthew 28:1-10

M: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, Chapter 28.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

M: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 156......Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

SERMON

CONFESSION OF FAITH...... based on I Corinthians 15:1-11

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and was born of the virgin Mary.

I believe that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

As the resurrected One, Christ Jesus is my living hope.

Now He reigns as King and will come again to judge us all on the basis of faith in Him alone.

This is the saving faith that lives in me.

THANK OFFERING Offerings can be mailed to our church office at 517 Tilden Street, Fairmont, MN 56031

<u>**To our visitors**</u>: Our offering is not a debt we owe God, but a way that we return to God a portion of what he generously gave to us. Our motivation, then, is not obligation, but love for God. Please do not feel obligated to contribute. We're happy that you're with us to hear about God's love for you.

PRAYERS 🕷

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

- M: Hear us, O Father, for the sake of him who is the firstborn of the dead and is now alive forevermore, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. It is in his name that we bring this and every prayer to you, just as he taught:
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

HYMN: CWS 720 vv 1,4,5,6,7.....Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands (Cf. page 6 and 7 in worship folder)

THE LORD'S BLESSING

- M: Now may the glorious Father, who by his power raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, give you the Spirit of wisdom to know the hope to which he has called you. And may he preserve you in body, soul, and spirit until our own resurrection on the day of Christ Jesus. Let all God's people say, "AMEN!"
- C: AMEN!
- M: CHRIST IS RISEN!
- C: HE IS RISEN INDEED!



Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

5 Here the true Paschal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us; He died on the accursed tree— So strong his love—to save us.
See, his blood now marks our door; Faith points to it; death passes o'er, And Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia! Alleluia! 6 So let us keep the festival To which the Lord invites us; Christ is himself the joy of all, The sun that warms and lights us. Now his grace to us imparts Eternal sunshine to our hearts; The night of sin is ended. Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 Then let us feast this Easter Day On Christ, the bread of heaven; The Word of grace has purged away The old and evil leaven.
Christ alone our souls will feed; He is our meat and drink indeed; Faith lives upon no other! Alleluia! Alleluia!