

# Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ!

We thank God that you have joined us this morning for worship. If you are visiting with us, we thank God you are here and pray our worship together will be a mutual blessing. If you are looking for a church home, we hope Abiding Savior can meet your needs. Please introduce yourself to one of the Pastors.

We ask both members and visitors to kindly fill out attendance cards and pass them to the center aisle. The ushers will gather them during the Sermon Hymn which follows the Children's Message. Feel free to add a prayer request for the Pastor to include in the congregational prayer.

We love children here at Abiding Savior. Parents are encouraged to sit in the front pews so that young children can see what is happening during worship. If you should want to make use of our cry room or nursery, please ask one of our ushers for directions.

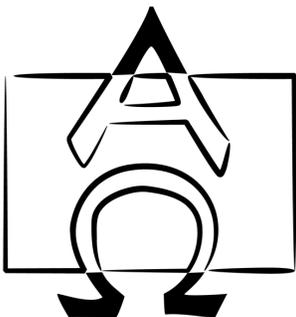
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# Order of Worship

*The Second Sunday after Easter*

*Sunday, April 28, 2019 – 8:00 a.m.*

PRELUDE

CHRIS ROGERS, ORGANIST

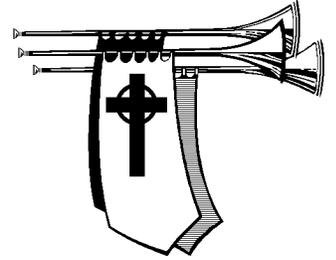
WELCOME

*Please stand.*

OPENING HYMN

***“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”***

Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!



*Refrain:* **Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

Walking the way, Christ in the center Telling the story to open our eyes;  
Breaking our bread, Giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise.  
*Refrain*

Weeping, be gone; Sorrow, be silent: Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
Cherubim sing: “O grave, be open!” Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.  
*Refrain*

City of God, Easter forever, Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
River of life, Saints and archangels, Sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain*

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen!**

PSALM 148:1-14

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

All: **Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!**

Pastor: Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!

All: **Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!**

Pastor: Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created.

All: **And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**



Pastor: Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,  
**All: fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word!**  
Pastor: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!  
**All: Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!**  
Pastor: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!  
**All: Young men and maidens together, old men and children!**  
Pastor: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.  
**All: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Worshippers are invited to kneel for the Confession and Absolution.  
Those who desire not to kneel may sit or stand.*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: As we gather together in the new life Christ has won for us, we confess our sins to God and ask His forgiveness. We do this regularly so that we might hear again the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ. Paul writes, "Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." Let us reflect upon and confess our sins before God.

Pastor: We confess:

**All: Most merciful God, we are unworthy of Your love because we have sinned by what we have done and left undone. We have at times abandoned the new life given to us through our Savior's work by sinning against You and others in thought, word, and deed. We lock up in ourselves feelings of guilt, shame, and doubt. We often seek peace for ourselves in ways outside of the peace for our souls that Christ has come to bring. Forgive us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Pastor: Jesus says, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades." Upon this your confession I, as a servant of the Word, announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins. In the victory Christ has won for us, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE

#### ***"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"***

Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation bled—  
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:  
See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat;  
Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,  
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high:  
Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!  
Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885, sts. 1,3; rev. Jubilate Hymns Ltd, st. 2  
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### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord God, our Father in heaven, we have again celebrated the glorious Resurrection of our Lord! Grant us grace, and the power of the Holy Spirit, so we may believe it without doubt, and bring forth its fruits in new lives that will glorify His Name. We pray in the Name of Him who died for us and rose again, Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

### **THE FIRST READING**

### **REVELATION 1:4-18**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. →



The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters.

In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*We stand for the Holy Gospel:*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 20:19-31

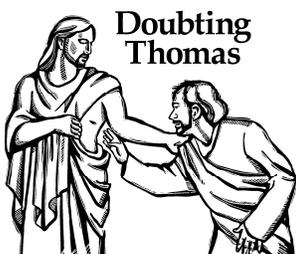
Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, chapter twenty.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

#### THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

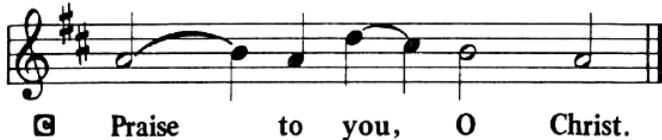
On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came.

So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side.



Do not disbelieve, but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!



*Worshippers are invited to stand and share the peace of the lord with each other.  
Children can come down to the chancel steps for the children's message.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Prayer and member/guest cards will be collected during the singing of the following hymn:*

### SERMON HYMN "O Sons and Daughters of the King"

*All:* O sons and daughters of the King, Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,  
Today the grave has lost its sting! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Women:*

That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way  
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Men:* An angel clad in white they see, Who sits and speaks unto the three,  
"Your Lord will go to Galilee." Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All:* That night the apostles met in fear; Among them came their master dear  
And said, "My peace be with you here." Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Women:*

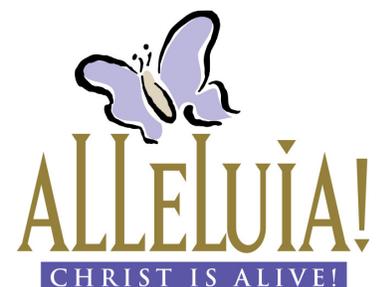
When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord,  
He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Men:* "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet;  
Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All:* No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All:* How blest are they who have not seen  
And yet whose faith has constant been,  
For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.  
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THE SERMON

REV. GLENN LUCAS

*"Life Between The Alpha And Omega"*

*Revelation 1:8*

**APOSTLES CREED**

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.

**GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*God doesn't need our money, but in His grace He gives us the privilege to be stewards of everything He has entrusted to our care. We can do more together than separately. As one body in Christ, our congregation has agreed to offer our first fruits to support ministries and missions that enable us to communicate Christ's love to everyone, everywhere; and our love for Him. Your sacrificial gift enables this holy work.*



**MUSICAL OFFERING**

**TIMMY EGLEY, CELLO**

*"Scherzo"*

*by C. Webster*

**THE PRAYERS**

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God, and for all people according to their needs.

*After each petition:*

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Pastor: We pray together,

**All: 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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen!



## CLOSING HYMN

### *“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”*

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today!” Saints on earth and angels say;  
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, reply.

Love’s redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won;  
Lo! Our Sun’s eclipse is o’er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.  
Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened paradise.

Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?

Hail the Lord of earth and heav’n! Praise to Thee by both be giv’n!  
Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt.

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Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE

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## *Flowers*

The flowers which grace our altar this weekend are dedicated to the glory of the Lord by **Judy Gorrell** in celebration of her daughter, **Sheila’s** birthday.

## *We Pray For This Week*

Louise Hall, Dean & Angie Hall & Family, Kristen Halverson & Family,  
Tom & Mary Hannan, Boudewijn & Robin Hanrath, Brenda Hanrath & Family,  
Steve & Brenda Hantula & Family, Dan & Kathy Hardt,  
Scott & April Harer & Family, Jim & Soraya Harm & Family

## *Keep in Your Prayers*

### **Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:**

Brian Adams	Elizabeth Hurley	Lee Seib
Terri Green	Jeanne Kelly	Junko Shiki
Alexander Hernandez	Brad Lucente	Denice Soresi
Betsy Hotsko	Crystal Nylander	Eileen Stewart
Patricia Howard	Brett Riedlinger	Maggie Winn

### **We pray for those who are ill:**

Irene Fabre	Larry Reimnitz	Lou Torres
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### **We pray for those who are recovering:**

Etsuko Busker	Jeff Conrad	June Thomas
Rosemary Colburn	Rocky Hewitt	



## **Prayer Partners**

**Listen to what's needed. Pray for what's needed.**

People who wear this badge have been trained to lift up your joys and sorrows in private prayer. Look for them and feel free to pray with them!