## Easter Sunday April 8, 2012

The Paschal Blessing (Sung by the Pastor)
Christ ist Erstanden (Christ is Arisen) (Solo by Theresa Van Wakeman-Wilson in both German and English
Hymn, "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"
Children: "Jesus Is Alive"
Collect for Easter
Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9
Choir
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Hymn, "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"
Gospel: Mark 16:1-8
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the Sixteenth Chapter. C: Glory to You, O Lord.
(The Gospel is read)
P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.
Hymn of the Day, "Alleluia! Jesus is Risen"
Sermon
Nicene Creed (Back cover of hymnal)
Confession and Absolution (From page 203)

- P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our Heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ and saying:
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C: Amen.

### The Prayer of the Church

## Offering

The Service of Holy Communion (From page 194 ff.)

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#### Announcements

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated during our Easter Service TODAY. Enjoy the Easter Breakfast served by the Youth Group after the worship service!

**Easter Egg Hunt!** All children (toddler - 6th grade) are invited to participate in the Easter Egg Hunt on the church grounds after the service today. The hunt will begin after the families have enjoyed their breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. The goodies for the hunt are provided by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

**Bulletin Cover.** The Easter Sunday worship bulletin cover was selected and provided by the Jeff Warsaw family this Easter morning! Thank you Warsaw's for your wonderful and beautiful contribution!

Communion Schedule for April. Due to the month of April having five Sundays, Pastor McPike has indicated that we will have communion on Easter Sunday; no communion on April 15th; communion on April 22nd; and no communion on April 29th. We will then continue in May with regular communion services on the first and third Sundays.

A **Quarterly Voters Meeting** will be held immediately after church on Sunday, April 15, 2012.

Treat Box for College Students. A project to remember our college students has been organized by the LWML. There is a sign up sheet on the back bulletin board for LWML members for donations of snack foods to be organized into a treat box to be delivered to the students before finals week. Your donations can be placed in the collection box on the elder pew in the back of the church before April 15.

Church Website Home Page. Listed on the church website home page this week will be pictures and descriptions for the "door choice" at the Fellowship Hall that the committee has selected. Over the next week, please go to www.osmanlutheran.org website to see the choice that has been made for the new double doors. A vote will be taking place at the Quarterly Voters Meeting to either install the doors as the committee has selected or to not install. Additional information will be made available that day also. The cost of the doors has already been donated.

**Church Pictures Anyone?** Olan Mills has been bought out by LifeTouch. The Council has been briefed on the LifeTouch Program and

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