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The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 20, 2025

Prayer upon entering: 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, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Guests, welcome! We are delighted you are with us for worship this morning. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Erhardt, sign our guest book next to the main doors. Bibles are available on a shelf in the back of the nave. Kneelers and large-print bulletins are available from the ushers upon request. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join us here at Messiah.

Worship begins with the prelude and continues through the postlude. Once the prelude begins, please refrain from conversation. We use two hymnals: the green *Lutheran Book of Worship* (LBW) and the blue paperback *With One Voice* (wov). Hymn numbers below 600 are generally in LBW; above 600, in wov. The pastor's parts (spoken and sung) are designated "P:." Parts spoken or sung by the congregation are italicized, prefaced by "C:." The liturgy text and music are in the LBW on the pages noted in this service folder.

Holy Communion: Lutheran Christians celebrate a divine service of Word and sacrament in which God comes to us both in his proclaimed Word and in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We invite to commune at the Lord's table all baptized Christians who with contrite hearts trust God's word of forgiveness for their sins, acknowledge the presence of Jesus Christ both in the Communion elements and in this gathered body of believers, and seek, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to follow Jesus and walk in newness of life. If this doesn't describe you, we invite you to come to the altar rail to receive a blessing instead of the Communion elements. Indicate this by folding your arms across your chest at the rail. All are invited to bring their children forward for a blessing.

Individual cups are available in addition to the chalice (the common cup). Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request from the server at the Communion rail. All are invited to bring their children forward for a blessing.

Families with young children: Welcome! We have children's activity backpacks in the back of the church for use during the service, as well as an unstaffed nursery on the stage downstairs. Feel free to ask an usher for help locating them. The stairs are at the back of the sanctuary.

The service begins on the patio outside the front doors. Please leave room on the stairs for people to pass.

P: "Christ is risen!"

C: "He is risen indeed, alleluia!"

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Prelude Processional for trumpet and organ David N. Johnson

As the prelude begins, follow the banner-bearer into the sanctuary through the main doors, where, as a reminder and affirmation of your baptism, you may receive the sign of the cross on your forehead with baptismal water from the pastor or acolyte, accompanied by this exchange:

Pastor/Acolyte: He is risen!

Recipient: He is risen indeed!

If you aren't baptized but would like to receive a blessing, say that to the pastor. If you would prefer not to participate, feel free to walk directly to your seat.

Remain standing for the hymn.

Entrance Hymn Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

LBW 151

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: *Amen*

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: *But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

P: Let us, therefore, confess our sins to God.

Please kneel or sit for silent reflection and confession.

C: *Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean.*

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: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake 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*

Order of Holy Communion

Setting II (LBW p. 78)

Hymn

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

LBW 143

Apostolic Greeting

2 Corinthians 13:14

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.

Kyrie

pp. 78-79

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

Hymn of Praise

pp. 81–82

P: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C: *Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen*

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *And also with you.*

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: *Through the resurrection of your Son, O God, you destroy the power of death and remove your people's shame. By your Holy Spirit, raise us from sin and seat us at the paschal feast, that we may rejoice in the gift of salvation that Jesus has won for us. Amen*

Please be seated for the scripture readings printed on the last two pages of this service folder.

First Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

Choir Anthem Christ the Lord is Ris'n Again Paul Wesley Hofreiter
Text: Michael Weisse, tr. Catherine Winkworth

Christ the Lord is ris'n again! Christ has broken ev'ry chain!
Hark, the angels shout for joy, singing evermore on high: Alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross
Lives in glory now on high, pleads for us and hears our cry: Alleluia!

He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save;
Now through all the lands it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia!

Second Lesson *1 Corinthians 15:19-26*
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
C: *Thanks be to God.*

Choir Anthem Easter Wings Paul Christoph Hofreiter
Text: George Herbert

Lord, who createdst man in wealth and store,
Though foolishly he lost the same,
Decaying more and more,
Till he became
Most poore:
With thee
O let me rise
As larks, harmoniously,
And sing this day thy victories:
Then shall the fall further the flight in me.

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My tender age in sorrow did beginne
And still with sicknesses and shame.
Thou didst so punish sinne,
That I became
Most thinne.
With thee
Let me combine,
And feel thy victorie:
For, if I imp my wing on thine,
Affliction shall advance the flight in me.

Verse (please stand):

John 6:68 (p. 83)

*C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter.

C (sung): Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:1-12

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C (sung): Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

Children's Sermon

Sermon Stranger than Fiction

Hymn of the Day

The Day of Resurrection

LSB 478

(next page)

Creed (Nicene) Spoken in unison

*C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

(continued -- turn page)

*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*



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil That we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, Let earth its song be - gin,
 △ 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, All praise to God the Son,



The pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The pass - o - ver of God.
 The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light
 Let all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - in.
 All praise to God the Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, From sin's do - min - ion free,
 And, lis - t'ning to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, Their notes of glad - ness blend;
 Let all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be - fore the throne



Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.
 His own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.
 For Christ the Lord has ris - en, Our joy that has no end!
 And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry As - cribe to God a - lone!

The Prayers of the People

P: Rejoicing in our Lord's victory over death and the grave, let us call upon God our Father, for his help and deliverance.

After each prayer or petition,

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: *hear our prayer.*

P: All this we ask, Father, in the name of Jesus our risen Savior, who has conquered death and the grave. Because He lives, we also shall live. Fill us with your Holy Spirit to spread this good news abroad as ambassadors of your present and coming kingdom.

C: *Amen*

The Sharing of the Peace

p. 86

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: *And also with you.*

Please exchange a greeting of peace with your neighbors, then be seated.

Gathering of Offerings

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As the offerings are brought forward, please stand and sing:

C: *Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.*

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

P: Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

p. 88

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 him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

C (sung, p.91): *Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen*

The Lord's Prayer

P: Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to say:

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*

Agnus Dei: Lamb of God

p. 92

C: *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.*

Once the pastor says, "Welcome to the table of the Lord," please sit.

Because Communion is important, please read and follow our Communion policy, printed on p. 2 of this service folder. Feel free to bring your hymnal and continue to sing. If you are not communing, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, but feel no pressure to do so. If you do come forward for a blessing (only), indicate this by folding your arms across your chest when you kneel at the altar rail. When the pastor dismisses you, please return to your seat by the center aisle. If you would like Communion brought to your seat, please raise your hand to alert the pastor.

Communion Hymns

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing	LBW 210
Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing	LBW 196
I am the Bread of Life	WOV 702

After all have returned to their places, the pastor says: (please stand)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you
in his grace.

C: *Amen*

Post-Communion Canticle

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C: *Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Post-Communion Prayer

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P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: *Amen*

Closing Hymn

Christ Is Arisen

LBW 136

Benediction

p. 94

P: Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: *Amen*

Postlude The Heavens Declare the Glory of God Benedetto Marcello
for trumpet and organ

Announcements

P: Christ is risen!

All: *He is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

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Thank you to today's Temple Servants

Acolyte	Alan Gishlick
Reader	Alan Gishlick
Ushers	Charles Loughery and Antti Valkonen
Fellowship Host	Miranda Hempel
Chancel	Carolyn Gishlick
Offering Counter	John Fischer
Livestream	Mark von Bargaen

Next Sunday

Acts 5:27-32 • Psalm 150 • Revelation 1:4-8 • John 20:19-31

Opening Hymn: Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain (LBW 132)

Baptismal Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia (WOV 613)

Baptism Hymn: Baptized into Your Name Most Holy (LBW 192)

Hymn of the Day: O Sons and Daughters of the King (LBW 139)

Communion Hymn: Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise (WOV 801)

Closing Hymn: Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (LBW 27)

This coming week

Wed	7:30 PM	Choir
Thu	6:30 PM	Lutheran Campus Ministry Table Talk (see p. 17)
Sat	9:00 AM	Spring Work Day (see p. 18)
Sat	1:00 PM	Women's Fellowship
Sun	9:00 AM	Adult Forum (see below)
Sun	10:30 AM	Service of Word and Sacrament

Next Sunday, April 27, Elly Jameson will be baptized during our 10:30am worship service. Please join us for this festive occasion and for lunch afterward.

Adult Forum meets at 9am on Sundays in the parish building library.

Adult Forum will not meet today, April 20. On April 27, we will begin a new series commemorating the 1700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed (this year). All are welcome.

May/June Messenger: Please send news, photos, and announcements to Miranda Hempel at her email address in the church directory by **Sunday, April 27**, for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Today's Easter chancel flowers are given by:

Jon & Patricia Hlafter, in loving memory of our parents,

John & Julia Hlafter and Charles & Eva Smyth, and of Patty's sister
Louisa Steele

Nancy Amidon, in loving memory of Esther & Orion Labaw,

David & Joan Labaw, Linda Labaw Jamieson, and Roger W. Amidon

Marion H. Zukas, in loving memory of Peter Giller

Richard & Louise Cooper, in memory of Fay & Bob Heiser

The Fischer family, in loving memory of John T. Fischer

Lorna-Jane Bremer, in loving memory of Christopher Daniel Rizzo and
John Bremer

Nicholas & Patricia Wolf, in memory of Roberta Minthorne and

Kevin M. Wolf

Lottie Coffin, in loving memory of her sisters Eleanor Bostrom and

Clare Martin

Miranda Hempel, in honor of the congregation of the Lutheran Church of the
Messiah, and in loving memory of Phillips Brooks

Lutheran Campus Ministry Table Talk: Thursday, April 24, at 6:30pm

Detectives Making Sense of Life, led by Pastor Erhardt. During the academic year, Lutheran Campus Ministry sponsors monthly Table Talks (dinner discussions). Table Talks are held at 6:30 – 8:00 PM in 210 Murray-Dodge Hall, Princeton University. After 4:00 PM on weekdays, free parking is available in the university lot on William St., between Washington Rd. and Charlton St. All are welcome! Please join us and invite friends. If you plan to attend, please inform Pastor Erhardt by noon on Thursday so we have enough food for you.

Spring Work Day at Messiah: Saturday, April 26, 9am – 12:30pm

Come when you can and leave when you must. We'll have plenty of work to go around for people of all ages and abilities. Gardening volunteers, please bring gloves and tools. It's fun, lunch is provided and your help is greatly appreciated!

May Voters Meeting : after worship on Sun., May 4

Available on the back pew:

- (1) March/April 2025 edition of the *Messiah Messenger*
- (2) Portals of Prayer devotion booklets for April-June 2025
- (3) February-May 2025 Temple Servant schedule

Prayer Corner

We remember in our prayers:

- Sergio Notario (father of Vanessa Valkonen, recovering from treatment for kidney disease), the Pinto family (mourning the sudden death of Carol, mother-in-law of Joan Colliflower's daughter), Micha Livne (friend of the Gishlicks who is ill), Julia Majsztrik (with thanksgiving for healing from heart surgery and praying for continued good health), Ted Alslev (son of Elda Alslev, to overcome his addiction to smoking), Mary Pickens (friend of Jon and Pat Hlafter, undergoing an experimental medical treatment), Sue Parisi (friend of Pat Hlafter, being treated for breast cancer), Peter Schulze (son of Lydia and Carl Schulze, friends of Miranda Hempel, Brad Bergmann, and Jenny Mills – for comfort, strength, and healing

Prayer requests are generally printed in the Prayer Corner and included in the Sunday intercessory prayers for 4 weeks. If you would like us to keep someone there longer, we are happy to do that. Please call the church office or email lcprincceton@gmail.com to let Pastor Erhardt know.

On *Easter Wings*

While searching for a text to set for the choir to sing on Easter, I found myself serendipitously returning to *Easter Wings* by George Herbert - a poet my father greatly admired. I'd read the poem in the past, but this time it stood out in a new way. Its compact form, profound message, and distinctive shape made it feel like the perfect foundation for an anthem.

Herbert structured the poem so that, when turned sideways, it visually resembles wings. But beyond that, the shape mirrors the spiritual movement of the text: each stanza narrows to a point of despair and then expands outward again into hope. That structural "pinch" - where the wings meet - represents a dilemma: the fallen human condition.

Each stanza (which became the two verses of this anthem) approaches that dilemma differently. The first reflects on humanity as a whole, while the second is more personal - Herbert speaks of his own suffering, and by extension invites us to see ourselves in his words.

In both cases, suffering is distilled down to a point - "poor" in the first verse, and "thin" in the second. Herbert knew this personally, having struggled with illness from a young age. Yet both stanzas pivot at the same turning point: the phrase "**with Thee.**" It is at this moment that suffering is transformed. With Christ, we rise. With Christ, we are renewed. What seemed like loss becomes a kind of gain - through His resurrection, even our affliction takes on meaning.

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One couplet in particular stands out to me: “*For, if I imp my wing on thine / Affliction shall advance the flight in me.*” It’s an old falconry image - referring to the act of repairing a bird’s damaged wing by grafting on feathers from another. The metaphor is striking, and it perfectly captures the heart of the poem. Herbert is saying that our brokenness can only be healed when it is joined to Christ’s strength. When our weakness is bound up in His victory, we are made whole and we rise - not by our own effort, but carried by His strength. It is precisely through our affliction that we come to know the depth of His love and grace.

For me, this anthem is about that movement: from despair to joy, from fallenness to redemption. It’s a reflection of the Easter message itself - Christ’s triumph over death, and the transformation of our suffering into something that, in Him, leads to life.

- Paul Christoph Hofreiter

First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 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. 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, but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 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. 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human, for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in its own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. 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. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 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. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But 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.

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