# MORNING WORSHIP

April 20, 2025 – 10:00 AM

Prelude Greeting

#### APPROACHING GOD

(Lord, may your holy name be praised in all the earth!)

\*Call to Worship (In the bulletin) 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 19-22

\*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

\*Opening Hymn

Trinity Psalter #360

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

\*Confession of Faith

The Larger Catechism Q49, 52

## Q49: How did Christ humble himself in his death?

Answer: Christ humbled himself in his death, in that having been betrayed by Judas, forsaken by his disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by Pilate, and tormented by his persecutors; having also conflicted with the terrors of death, and the powers of darkness, felt and borne the weight of God's wrath, he laid down his life an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful, and cursed death of the cross.

## Q52: How was Christ exalted in his resurrection?

Answer: Christ was exalted in his resurrection, in that, not having seen corruption in death (of which it was not possible for him to be held), and having the very same body in which he suffered, with the essential properties thereof (but without mortality, and other common infirmities belonging to this life), really united to his soul, he rose again from the dead the third day by his own power; whereby he declared himself to be the Son of God, to have satisfied divine justice, to have vanquished death, and him that had power of it, and to be Lord of quick and dead: all which he did as a public person, the head of his church, for their justification, quickening in grace, support against enemies, and to assure them of their resurrection from the dead at the last day.

#### HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

(Lord, teach us your Word, that we may walk in your truth.)

Scripture Reading (p. 1061) **Matthew 27:57-28:20** 

(p. 1085) Mark 15:42-16:8

\*Hymn of Praise Trinity Psalter #368

Jesus, Lord Redeemer

Scripture Reading (p. 1124) Luke 23:50-24:53

(p. 1153) John 19:38-21:14

\*Hymn of Praise Trinity Psalter #265

In Christ Alone

Prayer of Confession and Preparation

**Sermon** "RECONCILING THE RESURRECTION ACCOUNTS"

#### **RESPONDING TO GOD**

(Lord, we gladly give you our praise, our gifts, and our lives.)

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

\*Hymn of Response

Trinity Psalter #512

Jesus Lives, and So Shall I

Prayer of Intercession

## **COMMUNING WITH CHRIST**

(Lord, form Christ in us so that we would reflect your glory.)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

\*Closing Hymn

Trinity Psalter #570

Doxology

\*Benediction

**WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS:** It is a joy to have you join us in fulfilling man's highest calling, namely the worship of our holy God!

<sup>\*</sup>Congregation Standing

# 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 19-22

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

<sup>19</sup>If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

<sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

# **SERMON NOTES**