Gathering of the Congregation Acclamation

The Lord is risen! *The Lord is risen indeed!* Greeting-

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 the kings of the earth. **Alleluia! Amen!**

Call to Worship(based on Revelation 15)Who will not fear you, O Lord, and glorify your name?You alone are holy. All the earth will come and worship before you,for your righteous deeds have been revealed for all to see.Great and marvelous are your works,Lord God Almighty!Just and true are your ways,O King of the nations.Hallelujah! Christ is risen!He is risen indeed!Hymn- "Come, People of the Risen King"

Invocation-

Pastor & People

Almighty God, who by the death of Your Son has destroyed sin and death, and by his resurrection has restored innocence and everlasting life, in order that, delivered from the power of sin, we may live in your kingdom: grant that we may believe this with our whole heart, and, steadfast in the faith, may praise and thank you evermore; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen (adapted from Martin Luther)

Hymn- "Good Christians All Rejoice and Sing"

Confession of Sin and Renewal

Holy Father, you see us as we are, and you know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. Often we have not lived as grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us. Apart from you, we are nothing. Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore us to the joy of your salvation now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

People of God, Followers of Christ Jesus, *put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.*

Amen. Thanks be to God! Psalm 130:7-8

Rejoicing through Song

Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous. Ps 118:15 Hymn- "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" (Mfurahini Haleluya 999) Hymn- "All Praise to Thee, for You. O King Divine" (Sine Nomine)

We Hear the Word of God

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you. First Testament- Hosea 5:13-6:6 First Testament-Psalm 133 New Testament- John 20:19-31 New Testament- 1 John 1:1-2:2 The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God!*

Songs of Faith

Let the word of the Messiah inhabit you richly with wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, and singing to God with thankfulness in your hearts. Col. 3:19 ISV Hymn- "Glory to Jesus, Risen, Conquering Son" Hymn- "One Holy Apostolic Church" 574P

We Pray to the Lord

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it. John 14:13f Concerns and Prayers of the People

We Present Our Offerings

In thanksgiving for Christ's victory we bring our offerings to God. Amen. Dedication Prayer Hymn- "All Things Are Yours" LM

We Listen to the Word Expounded

Scripture Text- Acts 4:32-35

With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. V.33 Sermon- "The Grace of Resurrection Proclamation" by Mark Bahr Hymn -- We Have a Gospel to Proclaim" 632P

We Eat the Feast of Christ's Victory led by Jeff Gregory

Christ, our Passover lamb was sacrificed for us! **Therefore, let us keep the feast!** 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 The Invitation The Thanksgiving Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** The Institution The Remembrance Prayer of Consecration The Sharing of the Bread and Cup Communion Hymn: "**At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**" The Dedication The Communion The Thanksgiving

Hymn of Departure – "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" **Hymn chorus-** "He Rose Triumphantly" 454P

Benediction-

Pastor

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Today

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

He Rose Triumphantly

He rose triumphantly in power and majesty; the Saviour rose no more to die. O let us now proclaim the glory of his name and tell to all, he lives today!

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