



April 26, 2020 Third Sunday of Easter

# Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Building up God's people through His word for His world

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Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

ORGAN PRELUDE

"This Joyful Eastertide"

arr. Michael Burkhardt

#### **WELCOME & INVOCATION**



## **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Gracious God, we confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

#### SERVICE OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 2:14a, 36–41

<sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], <sup>36</sup> Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

<sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" <sup>38</sup>Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 1:17–25

<sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

<sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup>You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. <sup>24</sup>For

"All flesh is like grass

and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,

and the flower falls,

<sup>25</sup>but the word of the Lord endures forever."

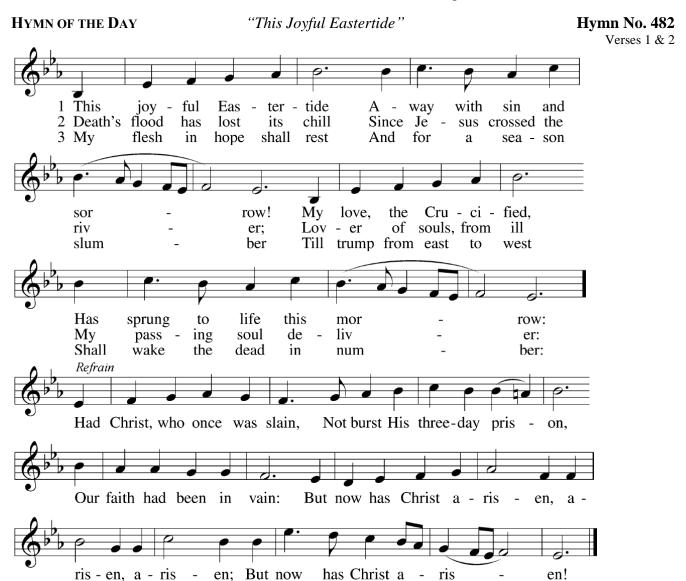
That word is the good news that was announced to you.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:13–35

were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup>He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified

him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.



#### MESSAGE

## REFLECTIVE RESPONSE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

#### **CHORAL ANTHEM**

"God Is Our Refuge and Strength"

Allen Pote

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.

Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,

though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.

He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the Word, we are his hands, He will lead us.

He is the air, we are his song,

we will celebrate his presence all the day long.

Refrain

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.

He is in the midst of his people, in the earth

He is the rain, we are the stones, He will cleanse us.

He is the air, we are his song,

we will celebrate his presence all the day long.

Refrain

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The people respond after "Lord, hear our prayer" by singing:

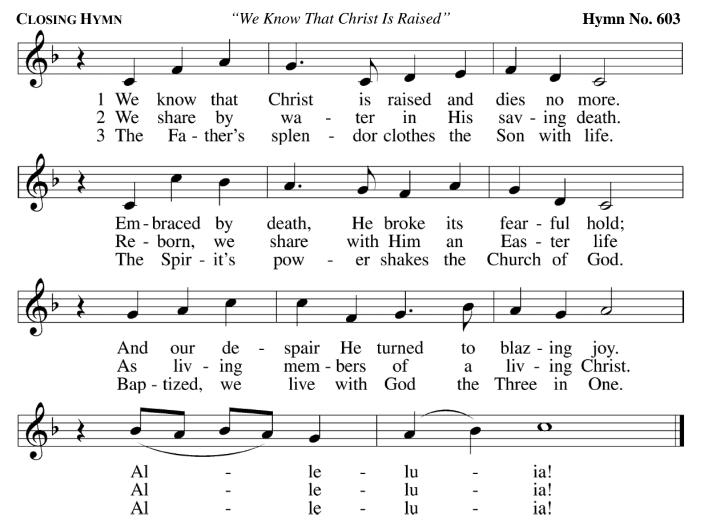
Leader: You hear us calling, You hear us calling, Abba Father

You hear us calling, You hear us calling, Abba Father

All: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy

#### **BLESSING**



## DISMISSAL

**ORGAN POSTLUDE** 

P Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

+ + Worship Leader & Preacher Pastor Johann Todd Grivetti Organist Choir Director Nemeh Azzam Hymn Leaders Kylena Parks, soprano Chrissy Tangredi, alto Mauricio Miranda, tenor Nigel Tangredi, bass Charlie Peterson Trumpet Zac Smith Reader Georgia Thorstenson Good Shepherd Sanctuary Choir Anthem Matt Hardy Video & Audio Production Dan Lamaestra Abbey Panetti Worship Materials Support Jeannie Johns Julie Schorfheide

arr. Michael Burkhardt

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**Worship** Team Leaders: Georgia Thorstenson and Julie Schorfheide; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann music, seasonal celebrations, arts, worship schedule, Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir (Laura Owens), traditional, contemporary,

music, seasonal celebrations, arts, worship schedule, Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir (Laura Owens), traditional, contemporary physical space, support personnel (e.g., ushers, greeters, acolytes)

**Discipleship** Team Leader: Andy Muich

adult education, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, family ministry, children's ministry, youth ministry

Parish Life Team Leader: Brian Cors; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

Life Groups (Brian Cors), member engagement, fellowship events, new member inclusion, concerts, public events, picnics,

intergenerational events

**Administration** Team Leader: Pastor Johann

property (Roger Thorstenson), financing the mission (Mike DeWan), stewardship, human resources/personnel (Matt Franker), communications, contracts, church office, calendar/program management, technology

Mission Team Leader: Matt Dickert: Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

world missions, synod, outreach, social ministry, community service (Holly Vanderhoof), evangelism, publicity, media, social media

**Congregational Care** Team Leader: Marilyn Voigt; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann member care visits, emergency transportation, maintain roster of the willing, guest follow-up

Good Shepherd is a member congregation of the Southeastern District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

# **About Good Shepherd...**

## Our vision

We will be a congregation known for building up God's people through His Word for His world.

## Worship

During worship, God comes to us through his gifts of Word and Sacrament. What a joy to respond with prayer and songs of praise. Our worship services give us opportunity to listen to God's word and meditate upon it, thus feeding our faith; and express our concerns for our friends, families, community, and the world through prayer.

## Serve

We are called to actively share the Good News of Jesus Christ through word and deed. One way we share is by serving one another and our neighbors in our community and throughout the world. Look at our Community Service Opportunities listing to find a way to serve.

#### Grow

We are committed to spiritual growth through the weekly gathering for prayer, praise, and thanksgiving, and through lifelong learning. In addition to growing in knowledge, we want to grow in love and service to others within and beyond our church community.

## Connect

As we grow in our love for Jesus and our neighbors, as we serve our neighbors near and far, we help and encourage one another, challenge one another, and share one another's joys and sorrows. We build strong ties when we gather for worship as well as for events throughout the week. Look inside for many opportunities for connection.



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