

Last Sunday we celebrated the resurrection of Jesus and affirmed what happened by crying out - Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia! Today, we continue our celebration of Jesus' victory over death by continuing with the season of Easter. Traditionally, the first week after Easter is when we read the account from John 20 when Jesus appeared to His disciples, but Thomas wasn't there and doubted the other disciples' account of seeing Jesus. However, a week later Jesus appeared to the disciples again. But this time, Thomas was with them. As we examine this account, we are also focusing on John's words from 1 John chapters 1 and 2 where he calls upon us to walk in the light of the resurrected Christ. Throughout worship, you are encouraged to think about what it means to live daily in the truth that Jesus died for your sins, rose triumphantly from the grave, and brought you into fellowship with God and your fellow believers.

Sermon Notes ~ "Walking in the Light"

- * *What happened in today's Gospel reading from John 20?*
- * *In 1 John, what is the basis for John's writings?*
- * *What does it mean to walk in the light of God?*
- * *How do we balance the command to walk in God's light with the reality of sin?*
- * *How do John's words guide us as we move into the future?*

Weekly Social Media Post ...

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
 And because Jesus has risen, we are given new lives -
 ones where we walk in the light of God, live in fellowship
 with others, and know our sins are forgiven.
 #stjohnwoodbury #Easter #LightOfGod

MISSION STATEMENT

"At St. John Lutheran Church,
 our purpose is to make
 and equip disciples everywhere
 by proclaiming
 Jesus Christ as Savior."



WHAT'S HAPPENING

The week of April 11 at St. John!

- * **Special Voter's Meeting** ... This spring we are launching a two—year capital campaign for building improvements at St. John. In order to introduce our "Into the Future" campaign and to get approval for it, we will hold a special Voters Meeting at 9:15 am (between the services) on Sunday, April 11. You can participate in-person or via Zoom ... <http://bit.ly/SpecialVotersMeeting>.
- * **Get To Know St. John** ... Perhaps you've gotten somewhat connected to St. John and want to learn more about us. Maybe you have no connection to St. John and are simply curious. Or, maybe you're ready to take the plunge and become a member. Whether or not you're ready to become an official member, you're invited to Get To Know St. John on Saturday, April 24 at 10:00 am. You can either join us in-person or via Zoom... <http://bit.ly/GetToKnowStJohn>. Contact Pastor Dave if you have any questions.
- * **Spring Community Conversations** ... Do you know of a youth or family who is experiencing crisis? Do you want to know more about local resources for youth and families who are going through challenging times? On Tuesday, April 20 at 6:30 pm, the St. Croix Family Resource Center will be presenting for our Spring Community Conversations. St. Croix FRC helps youth and families renew hope by opening doors to sustainable housing, financial stability, and healthy community connections. You can participate either in-person at St. John or via Zoom ... <http://bit.ly/StCroixFRC>.
- * **In Our Prayers this week** ... Breck Dorsher, Wilmer Schmidt, Ben Anschutz, Mary Helmerick, Judy Davidson, Gene Borscheid, Aaron Koelman, Vicky Urtel, Sam McGrath, Dorothy Barkley, Clara Krejci, Bartley Kohel, Renee Holz, Jon Friel, Joanne Dahlin, Lisa Larsen, Laura DePetro, Kevin Portuguese, Mary Schultz, Peter Nyout, Oline Tolbert, Doug Lasker, Dolores Weir, Betsy Dehler, Marion Hastings, Gene Pommerening