WELCOME SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER SAT. APRIL 6/SUN. APRIL 7, 2024



"EASTER MAKES A DIFFERENCE"

AS WE GATHER

Easter made a difference in the lives of so many people! In the core community of believers, it wasn't a matter of something to believe but how to make a difference in the way a person lived. The other disciples had let Thomas stay with them until Jesus reappeared. It must have been a tense time, but uniquely bearable because they had met their Lord, alive. That change, the difference that Easter made, wasn't limited to the apostles; the entire group shared all they had, living testimony of Jesus' presence with them. How will you be different after hearing this great Good News?

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC-ALLELUIA BRASS:

"All Glory, Laud and Honor" *arr. B. McNally, Jr.*

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN "The Day of Resurrection" *LSB 478*

1.The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad,
The passover of gladness,
The passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
From sin's dominion free,
Our Christ has brought us over
With hymns of victory.

2.Let hearts be purged of evil That we may see aright The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light And, list'ning to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain, His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain. 3.Now let the heav'ns be joyful, Let earth its song begin,
Let all the world keep triumphant And all that is there-in.
Let all things, seen and unseen,
Their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord has risen,
Our joy that has no end!

*4.All praise to God the Father, All praise to God the Son, All praise to God the Spirit, Eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number Fall down before the throne And honor, pow'r, and glory Ascribe to God alone!

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✤ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *1 Corinthians 15:54b–57*

Pastor: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory?"People: "O death, where is your sting?"

Pastor: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

People: But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

1 John 1:8–9

- Pastor: That victory remains ours by a God-given faith and hope. That hope is kept alive as we daily repent of our sins and remain in the promises of God. For, if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

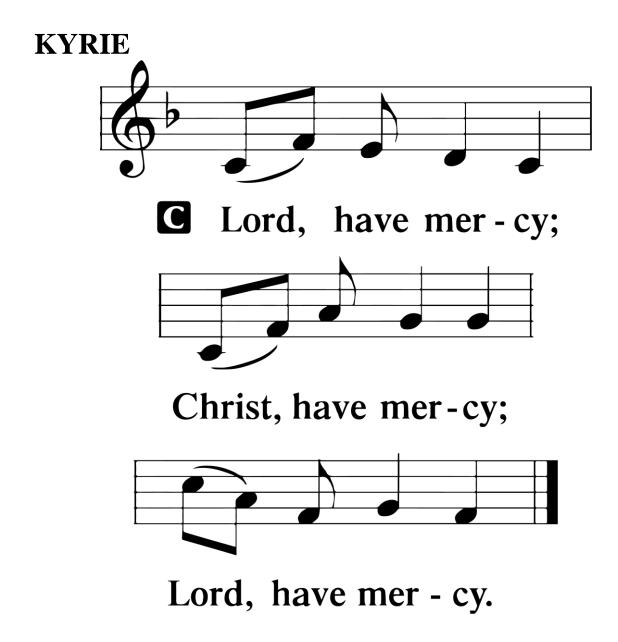
Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

- People: 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. We are afraid of losing hope. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, risen from the dead for the life of the world, 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.
- Pastor: Upon this, your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

₩ WORD ₩



HYMN OF PRAISE "Alleluia, Christ Has Risen" *Tune: LSB 821*

Alleluia, Christ has risen! Glory be to Him alone. God has given Him all honor; Seated Him upon the throne. He bestowed on Him dominion, Power, and authority; Now Christ rules o'er all creation And into eternity.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by His blood."

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. 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 lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING *Acts* 4:32–35 (*Believers use everything they have to help one another.*)

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵ and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA BRASS ANTHEM:

"Marvelous Grace" *Towner, arr. Marvin* **EPISTLE** 1 John 1:1–2:2 (God is light; He forgives our sins.)

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—² the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—³ that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with

him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

(*LSB p. 205*)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL John 20:19–31 (Jesus appears to the disciples.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" LSB 457 (Brass introduction prior to Verse 1)

> 1.Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
> Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
> Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
> Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2.Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! 3.But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

*4.Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia! Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald

CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES' CREED I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

Alleluia Brass:

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Holden, arr. Lawrence

SACRAMENT *

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy God Almighty" *Tune: LSB 803*

Holy, holy God Almighty, Lift we anthems unto Thee. In the highest, saints and angels Sing Thy praises endlessly. Blessed is the One who came here When salvation was begun. Sing hosanna, earth and heaven, To the Father, Spirit, Son.

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew* 26:26–28; *Mark* 14:22–24; *Luke* 22:19–20; *1 Corinthians* 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ★ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✤ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Revelation 22:20

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

"The Lord's Prayer" (*Tune: LSB 707*)

Our Father, God, who art in heav'n, All hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done In earth and heav'n the same.

Give us this day our daily bread; And, as we those forgive Who sin against us, so may we Forgiving grace receive.

Into temptation lead us not; From evil set us free; The kingdom, power, and glory, Lord, Ever belong to Thee.

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PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **People: Amen.**

AGNUS DEI "Worthy Is The Lamb"

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, to receive: Power and riches and wisdom and strength, Honor and glory and blessing! Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,

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+DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION+

By communing, a person says publicly that they -

- are baptized and confirmed

- believe Christ's words

- repent of their sins

- fully agree with all that the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod teaches.

How to receive –

- anyone may come to the altar but keep hands folded if not receiving Communion

- the center of the tray has a cup with just a drop of wine for those who must minimize alcohol

- smile, exude your joy, but keep a reverent demeanor as others commune

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC:

Alleluia Brass: "Est Ist Genug"
Bach, arr. Eymard
Congregation Hymn: "Crown Him With Many Crowns" LSB 525

> Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
> Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
> Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
> And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.

2.Crown Him the virgin's Son, The God incarnate born
Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now His brow adorn: Fruit of the mystic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The root whence mercy ever flows, The babe of Bethlehem.

3.Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.

4.Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

5.Crown Him the Lord of Heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wonderous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones beore Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" (*LSB 806*)

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son, Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," Because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say "I am strong,"

Let the poor say "I am rich," Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks, give thanks.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Sacrament. We pray that You would strengthen us by it each day to use all that we are and have to the good of others and the praise of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

ALLELUIA BRASS ANTHEM:

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" *arr. Zimmerman*

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and 承 give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" *LSB 461Sts. 1-4,8*

1.I know that my Redeemer lives;What comfort this sweet sentence gives!He lives, He lives, who once was dead;He lives, my ever-living head.

2.He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high. 3.He lives to bless me with His love;He lives to plead for me above;He lives my hungry soul to feed;He lives to help in time of need.

4.He lives to grant me rich supply;He lives to guide me with His eye;He lives to comfort me when faint;He lives to hear my soul's complaint

8.He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my sweet Redeemer lives! ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve our living Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

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- Pastor: Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald
- Liturgist (Sun.) Rev. Maurice Lind, Pastor Emeritus
- Sat. Organist: Lina Schaal
- Sun. Organist: George Kelm
- Choir Director: Gail Feick
- Ensemble Coordinator: Tabra Gomski
- A/V Team: Brian & Amanda Larie Stan & Cheryl Grey, Dawn Oswald, Josh Walton

WE THANK THE ALLELUIA BRASS FROM ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL, FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY: <u>Trumpets</u>: Eric Nelson, Director, and Chris Oestreich <u>Trombones</u>: Matthew Doran, Bill Joerns & Jeff Nejdl <u>Tuba</u>: George Kelm <u>Organ</u>: Matthew Doran <u>Piano</u>: Susan Engstrom

• WHO ARE THE PEOPLE WE ARE TRYING TO REACH? All are invited tomorrow at 3:00pm, for pizza and a presentation on the demographics of our community. How old are your neighbors? How much do they earn? What is their education? What do they think about things? We want to understand them better so we can reach them better with the Gospel. Please join us!

- ZOO TRIP: Please join us on Saturday, April 27, for a trip to the Milwaukee Zoo to learn facts and features that point to our amazing Creator. See the signup sheet on the narthex table or contact Tabra Gomski (gomski@att.net) for more information.
- Please call (757-831-6948) or e-mail Pastor Oswald (oswald1@charter.net) with your prayer requests.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY			
Reader:	Paul Trettin		
Communion:	Peter Voigt		
Acolyte:	Nathan Olsen		
Ushers:	Dave Peschke & Ron Magolski		
Fellowship:	Beth Schneider		

NEXT WEEK

Reader:	Gail Feick
Communion:	Peter Voigt
Acolyte:	Amanda Siemers
Ushers:	John & Peggy Tueting
Fellowship:	Tami Voigt

BIRTHDAYS

4/7	Tanner Muur	
4/13	Dick Cooke	

Opportunities to Serve the Lord This Week <u>4/8/24 - 4/14/24</u>

Monday:	3:00pm	Demographics Study
	(Council I	Meeting following)

Wednesday:	6:00pm	Bible Study: "Justification & Sanctification"
Thursday:	6:00pm	AA Meeting
Saturday:	9:30am	Worship Service
Sunday:	9:00am 10:20am	Worship Service Bible Study: "Theology of Suffering"
	7:00pm	AA Meeting