

"Did not our hearts burn within us ... while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

Luke 24:32, ESV

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH 545 MEMORIAL DR. GRAND ISLAND, NE. 68801 APRIL 18, 2021

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!!

Divine Service with Communion each Saturday7:00 p.m.Divine Service with Communion each Sunday9:00 a.m.Coffee and Rolls in the Parish Hall10:00 a.m.

**Sunday School** 10:30 a.m. (ages 2 ½ - grade 8)

**Adult and High School Bible Class** 

10:30 a.m.

**Restrooms** can be found between the parish hall and the entryway.

<u>Interested in membership at Grace?</u> Pastor Bremer would consider it a privilege to speak with you. Please fill out a pew card expressing your interest or see him after Divine Service.

**Radio**: Grace, along with St. Paul's, Doniphan, can be heard each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on KRGI—1430 a.m.

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In faithfulness to God's Word we celebrate the Lord's Supper in every Saturday and Sunday Divine Service. Unlike Baptism this Sacrament is to be received again and again for forgiveness and the strengthening of our Christian faith. Also in faithfulness to God's Word we practice closed communion. Our faith is not exclusive

but God says that we should have unity of faith and doctrine (which Communion expresses). As we receive His gift today we would ask all visitors and guests to refrain from receiving the sacrament until they speak to Pastor Bremer. We also ask that those members who have not communed in the past 6 months to also speak to the pastor before communing once again. For further instruction please turn to Luther's Questions and Answers found on page 329 in the hymnal. These questions/answers are for those who desire to receive the sacrament.

# **DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING TWO**

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021

Pre Service Hymn "Christ is Risen, Alleluia!"

(S.K. Albrecht & J. Allthouse)

Hymn

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

#457

**Confession and Absolution** 

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Introit (Cantor/Choir)

Ps. 30:1-5; antiphon: Ps. 16:11b



In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;\* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have | drawn me up\* and have not let my foes rejoice | over me.

O LORD my God, I cried to | you for help,\* and you have | healed me.

O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;\* you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,\* and give thanks to his | holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.\* Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the | morning.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;\* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

Kyrie p. 168

Hymn of Praise "This is the Feast" p. 171

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **Choir Anthem**

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

(text: W.C. Dix; music: setting by J. Blersch)

# First Reading Acts 3:11–21

<sup>11</sup>While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk?

1 13% The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him.

<sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, <sup>20</sup>that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, <sup>21</sup>whom heaven

must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

Gradual sung by the Choir adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

Christ has risen | from the dead.\*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor, He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;\* he has put all things un- | der his feet.

**Epistle** 1 John 3:1–7

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

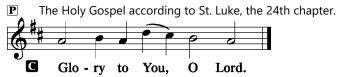
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day sung by the Choir

Rom. 6:9; Luke 24:32

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures? Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 24:13–32



<sup>13</sup>That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While

they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew 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 is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up 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 happened. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even 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 him they did not see." <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup>So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, <sup>29</sup>but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Hymn of the Day "With High Delight Let Us Shine" #483 (Choir sings verse 2)

#### Sermon

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## **Prayers of the Church:**

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to everyone for their calls, cards and prayers before and after my recent surgery. Thank you to Pastor Bremer for his visits and prayers. Your care, concern and prayers certainly helped me and continue to help me through a difficult time. God's Blessings to you.

Rosalie Roscoe

<u>GUILD FRIENDSHIP SUPPER:</u> Grace Guild cordially invites all women of the congregation to the Spring Friendship Supper on Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. Music will be provided by Kevin and Heidi Cheng.

**EASTER LILIES:** If you purchased an Easter Lily this year, they may be picked up after the Worship Service on Sunday.

**<u>KITCHEN ITEMS:</u>** Please check the kitchen to see if any of the items on the counter are yours.

**HEARTLAND NEWS:** HLHS is offering a \$50 discount on the registration fee for the 2021-2022 school year if paid by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Registration forms are downloadable from the school website at heartlandlutheran.org. First semester tuition is **free for any new student**, and transportation to and from Hastings and Kearney is available starting this fall. Thank you for supporting Christian education in central Nebraska!

#### COMMUNION

To help pastor, elders and visiting pastors during communion, if you prefer the common cup please place your hands with both palms up. Thank you for your help in this manner.

#### LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Saturday: 30 Sunday: 125

## This Week at Grace....

Today	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
•	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Monday	Guild Executive Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Children's Choir Practice	6:15 p.m.
	Senior Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Worship Service	7:00 p.m.
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
-	Bible Class/Sunday School	10:30 a.m.

#### THOSE SERVING US THIS MORNING

ELDERS ON DUTY: Karl Bergdolt/Mark Liess ORGANIST: Shawn Pfanstiel CHOIR: Senior Choir CANTOR: Noah Bolin TODAY'S GREETERS/USHERS: Dave Gibson/Kaleb Ivers

Steve & Debra Heider

**NEXT WEEKS GREETERS/USHERS:** Ron Bliss/Lynnette Gibson

Bruce Bluhm/Colleen Carey

THIS WEEK'S DOOR MONITOR:

NEXT WEEK'S DOOR MONITOR:

CRUCIFER:

ACOLYTE:

RADIO SERVICE SPONSOR:

Tim Bartels

Stu Endorf

Gavin Link

Braxtyn Lemos

Steve & Vernelle Miles

To the Glory of God