

The Lutheran Church
of the
Resurrection

Our Mission is “To Open Hearts”
Through the message of Christ Crucified

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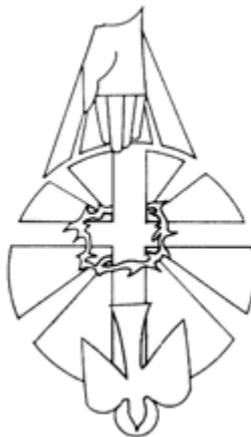
Welcome!

A warm welcome to our guests and visitors! We pray that your spirit would be uplifted and your faith strengthened as we gather together to receive God's Divine Service.

We recognize that little children may not be able to sit patiently through the entire worship service. **There is a 'Cry Room'** just outside the sanctuary where parents may tend to infants during the service. A window and speaker allow parents to continue to follow and participate in the service.

Our Communion practice: This morning, we joyfully celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We believe that we receive Christ's body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. As we celebrate this sacrament, we also give public confession to our unity in the Christian faith. We therefore invite all communicant members of any congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod to commune. Guests are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to receive this sacrament here but are not a member, please speak with the pastor.

Cell Phones: As Lutherans, we believe that God speaks to us through Word and Sacraments. Therefore, please be sure to turn all cell phones off before entering the sanctuary.



+ THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD +

PRELUDE *How Brightly Shines The Morning Star* J. L. Krebs

(Stand)

HYMN OF INVOCATION:

#578 THY STRONG WORD

sts. 1–3

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

LSB 151

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.**

ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Isaiah 42:1a, Psalm 2:7–11, 12c



Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,*
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.
I will tell of | the decree:*

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have be- | gotten you.

**Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,*
and the ends of the earth your pos- | session.**

**You shall break them with a | rod of iron*
and dash them in pieces like a potter's | vessel."**

Now therefore, O | kings, be wise,*
be warned, O rulers | of the earth.

Serve the | LORD with fear,*
and rejoice with | trembling,

for his wrath is quickly | kindled.*

Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in him.

**Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,*
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.**

**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.**

KYRIE

LSB 152

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

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.

EPISTLE

Romans 6:1–11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 156

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:4–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Sit)

HYMN OF THE DAY:

#405 TO JORDAN'S RIVER CAME OUR LORD

SERMON

(Stand)

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from
heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living
and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition is concluded with, "Lord, in your mercy." Our response is, "Hear our prayer.")

- (If you would like to submit a prayer request, please use the form provided on the table in the Narthex.)

(Conclusion)

P ...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

ORGAN OFFERTORY *Fairest Lord Jesus* *Hermann Schroeder*

(Stand)

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

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

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Sit)

THE DISTRIBUTION

[Please see the Communion Statement on the first page.]

[Communion Wine: The lighter colored wine among the individual cups is de-alcoholized wine in which all the alcohol has been removed.]

DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

#590 BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY

(Stand)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

P 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 ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART:

#578 THY STRONG WORD

sts. 4–6

POSTLUDE

Fugue in F Minor J. L. Krebs

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Announcements!

The Prayers: In your prayers this week, please remember:

Those in need of the Lord's help with physical struggles:

Angie Carlson —multiple sclerosis; Matthew Gaug (Son of Peter and Evelyn Gaug— Lou Gehrig's Disease); David Klipp (Brother-in-law of Sharon Klipp (recovery from Myasthenia Gravis disease); Jonathan Milhous (Nephew of Sharon Conover—autism with seizures); Megan Huesers (diabetes); Robert Sieber (heart/hip issues); Eleanor Keefe—problem with her eyes; Al Monray (friend of Krys Paules—leukemia); Alen Rowe (friend of Krys Paules—prostate cancer); Dave Willman (friend of Krys Paules—rare heart disease); Lucille (Former co-worker of Krys Paules—alzheimers); Corry Klipp (Sharon's sister-in-law—Alzheimer's); Debbie Knight (Cousin of Laverne Pelletier—healing from transverse myelitis); Virgil Tilton (Friend of Moe and Becky Cote—cancer); Natalie Crowley (recovery from broken hip); Melba Larsen (Mark Larsen's mother—recovery from stroke); Don Pryor (recovery from stroke); Brett Lambert (friend of Maira Goldsmith—heart defect); Robert Drageland (Brother of Rick Drageland—dementia); Beck Keefe (blood disorder); Andrea (friend of Keefe's—cancer); Allen Treadwell (Michelle Hein's father—cancer); Donna Treadwell (Michelle Hein's step-mother—dementia); Russ Morris (David Morris' father—recovery from illness); Peter Doran (recovery from heart problems); Lois Doran (recovery from cancer); Joan Drageland (recovery from illness); Vary Fischer (recovery from leg infection); Angela Gibbs (friend of Tom and Katie Huesers—recovery from stroke); Abigail Quinlivan (Daughter of co-worker of Chris Batson—Leukemia); Melinda Penner (friend of Charlie MacPherson—recovery from head injury); Vicky Lesmerises (friend of Krys Paules—cancer); Cathy York (friend of Jenifer MacPherson—cancer); Nathanael Batson (successful treatments for tumors); Warren Waltz (friend of Jenifer MacPherson—colon cancer); Becky Cote (successful treatment for heart disease); Mo Cote (cancer treatment); Cecilia Foss (niece of James Breslin – recovery from back surgery); Aubri Brooks (friend of Maira Goldsmith – eye disease); Gail Carrano (recovery from surgery); Geraldine Abinader (Sister of Joan Drageland – dementia); Kemp Anderson (recovery from back surgery); Donna Baker (Cousin of James Breslin – recovery); Becky Sue Collins (friend of Gail Carrano – tumor).

Those in need of the Lord's help with aging / life struggles:

Joan Nielsen (Mother of pastor Nielsen); Ruth Kennedy (Grandmother of Christine Thomas); James Wright (Father of Becky Cote); Elfie Wright (Stepmother of Becky Cote); Glenna Wright (Mother of Becky Cote).

The Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Charlie & Jen MacPherson.

Sunday Morning Bible Class and Sunday School

For all ages from 10-10:30am every Sunday. The kids will meet in the Fellowship Hall and the adults will meet in the Sanctuary.

Thursday Bible Study

10:30am in the Fellowship Hall

6:00pm via Zoom.

If you would like to be added to the weekly email list for this class, please contact Pastor Akers.

How Do I Consider Membership In This Congregation?

Twice a year, pastor Akers teaches a 9 week "Inquirer's Class" for everyone who would like to know what we believe, teach and confess. This class is the entryway into the congregation for everyone who would like to become a member or simply find out more. Please see pastor Akers to sign up now.

Prayers for Worship

For a selection of prayers for worship, please see the inside front cover of the Lutheran Service Book and/or pages 305-318 in your hymnal.

Devotion During the Distribution

Therefore it is given for a daily pasture and sustenance, that faith may refresh and strengthen itself so as not to fall back in such a battle, but become ever stronger and stronger. For the new life must be so regulated that it continually increase and progress, but it must suffer much opposition. For the devil is such a furious enemy that when he sees that we oppose him and attack the old man, and that he cannot topple us over by force, he prowls and moves about on all sides, tries all devices, and does not desist until he finally wearies us, so that we either renounce our faith or yield hands and feet and become listless or impatient. Now to this end the consolation is here given when the heart feels that the burden is becoming too heavy, that it may here obtain new power and refreshment. (Martin Luther – Large Catechism)

In The Service Of God's House Today:

Acolyte: 10:45 Mia Fitzpatrick
Comm. Assist: 8:30 Glenn Carlson Sr
10:45 Brad Fitzpatrick
Ushers: 8:30 Charlie MacPherson
10:45 John Ayotte
Cantor: 8:30 Jared Goldsmith
10:45 Steve Farr
Greeters: 8:30 The MacPhersons
10:45 Dorthy McAllister
Flowers: The MacPhersons
Altar Guild: Andrea Watson

In The Service Of God's House Next Sunday: 1/17/21

Acolyte: 10:45 Andrew Farr
Comm. Assist: 8:30 Charlie MacPherson
10:45 Dan Callahan
Ushers: 8:30 Rick Drageland
10:45 Wayne Pelletier
Cantor: 8:30 Sharon Conover
10:45 Fernando Gouvea
Greeters: 8:30 The Watsons
10:45 The Gouveas
Flowers: Open
Altar Guild: LeeAnne Larsen

Daily Lectionary Readings for this Week: *Read the bible every day.*

1/10 Ezekiel 18:1-4, 19-32 / Romans 2:17-29
1/11 Ezekiel 33:1-20 / Romans 3:1-18
1/12 Ezekiel 34:1-24 / Romans 3:19-31
1/13 Ezekiel 36:13-28 / Romans 4:1-25
1/14 Ezekiel 36:33-37:14 / Romans 5:1-21
1/15 Ezekiel 37:15-28 / Romans 6:1-23
1/16 Ezekiel 38:1-23 / Romans 7:1-20

(Daily lectionary readings taken from LSB #299-304)

Some helpful habits for home devotions:

- *Keep a journal or make a mental note of one thought that you would like to remember from this reading.*
- *Read and discuss the daily reading with a family member or friend.*
- *Choose one verse to commit to memory, reciting it through the day.*
- *Speak to God in prayer about something from the reading that impressed or confused you.*