

The Lutheran Church
of the
Resurrection

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

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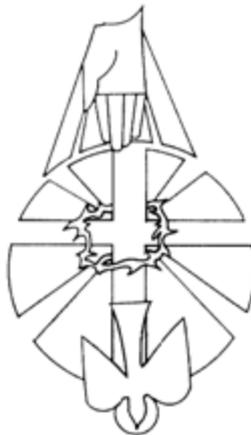
Welcome!

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 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER +

PRELUDE

Praeambule in A Flat Percy Whitlock

The Risen Christ Breathes His Peace in the Holy Absolution

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus appeared to His apostles on the first Easter Sunday. He *“came and stood among them,”* and with His Word and the wounds in *“his hands and his side,”* He granted them His peace (John 20:19–20). He sent them as ministers of the Gospel in His name to bestow the life-giving Holy Spirit for us and for His whole Church through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21–23). Through this apostolic ministry, He calls us to believe that He *“is the Christ, the Son of God,”* so that by such faith we *“may have life in his name”* (John 20:31). The apostles *“have seen and heard”* this divine life manifested in the flesh of Christ, and those who succeed them in this apostolic ministry now proclaim that same Absolution to us, so that we *“too may have fellowship”* with the risen Christ, with the apostles and *“with one another”* (1 John 1:1–7). The one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church lives by *“their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus,”* and all who believe this Word are *“of one heart and soul,”* because in Him they truly have *“everything in common”* (Acts 4:32–33).

(Stand)

HYMN OF INVOCATION:

#470 O SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE KING sts. 1–4

+ 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



Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—*

if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;*
make known his deeds among the | peoples!

Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him;*
tell of all his | wondrous works!

Glory in his | holy name;*
let the hearts of those who seek the | LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD | and his strength;*
seek his presence con- | tinually!

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,*
his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered.

He remembers his covenant for- | ever,*
the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—*
if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

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.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

- P** 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.
C Amen.

(Sit)

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32–35

³²The 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. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There 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 ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

PSALM 148



1Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the | heavens;*
praise him | in the heights!

2Praise him, all his | angels;*
praise him, | all his hosts!

3Praise him, | sun and moon,*
praise him, all you | shining stars!

4Praise him, you highest | heavens,*
and you waters above the | heavens!

5Let them praise the name | of the LORD!*

For he commanded and they were cre- | ated.

6And he established them forever and | ever,*
he gave a decree, and it shall not | pass away.

13Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is ex- | alted;*

his majesty is above earth and | heaven.

14He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for | all his saints,*

for the people of Israel who are near to him. | Praise the LORD!

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

1 John 1:1—2:2

1That 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.

5This 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. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My 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. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the first staff is a large 'C' time signature. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the' are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The piece ends with a double bar line.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19–31

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On 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.” ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So 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.”

²⁶Eight 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.” ²⁷Then 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.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed

because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Sit)

HYMN OF THE DAY:

#472 THESE THINGS DID THOMAS COUNT AS REAL

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 ✝ 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

Andante in D Alan Gray

(Stand)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

161

P Blessed are You...To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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

☐ 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 Elements: "Gluten-Free" wafers are available upon request. Please talk to Pastor either before the service or at the communion rail if you would like to receive one. The lighter colored wine among the individual cups is de-alcoholized wine in which all the alcohol has been removed.]

DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

#482 THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE

(Stand)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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:

#470 O SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

sts. 5–9

POSTLUDE

Exultet Colin Mawby

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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); 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); 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); Aubri Brooks (friend of Maira Goldsmith – eye disease); Gail Carrano (recovery from surgery); Geraldine Abinader (sister of Joan Drageland - dementia); Gail Maestas (recovery from back surgery); Corina Wilson (complications during pregnancy); Lucia Wilson (healing and upcoming testing), Rick Dostie (recovery).

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), Vesta Holt.

The Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Sharon Klipp.

Worship Schedule

Sundays:

- 8:30am - Worship
- 9:45 - 10:30am - Sunday School
- 10:45am - Worship (live streamed)

Sunday Morning Bible Class & Sunday School

All ages will meet together from 9:45-10:30am in the Sanctuary. We continue our walk through the Old Testament.

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.

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

God has always observed the custom of giving a visible sign, a person, place or spot, where he desired to be found without fail. For if we are not bound and held by a physical, external sign, every one of us will seek God wheresoever he please. This is the reason why the holy prophets wrote much of the tabernacle, the dwelling place and tent where it pleased Him to be present. In this way God always acted. In like manner He has built for us Christians a temple where He would dwell, namely, the spoken Word, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, which also are perceptible things. (Martin Luther. Sermon on Exodus 15:17. 1525)

In The Service Of God's House Today:

Acolyte:	10:45	Allison Farr
Comm. Assist:	8:30	Glenn Carlson Sr.
	10:45	Dan Callahan
Ushers	8:30	Jeff Sammons
	10:45	Chris Batson
Cantor:	8:30	Jared Goldsmith
	10:45	Fernando Gouvea
Greeters	8:30	The MacPhersons
	10:45	The Cotes
Flowers:		Sharon Klipp
Altar Guild		Amanda Goldsmith

In The Service Of God's Next Sunday: 4/18/21

Acolyte:	10:45	Andrew Farr
Comm. Assist:	8:30	Charlie MacPherson
	10:45	Brad Fitzpatrick
Ushers	8:30	Brian Watson
	10:45	Seth Carlson
Cantor:	8:30	Sharon Conover
	10:45	Allison Farr
Greeters	8:30	Sharon Klipp
	10:45	The Gouveas
Flowers:		Sharon Klipp
Altar Guild		Amy Ouellette

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

4/11 Exodus 20:1-24 / Luke 4:1-15
4/12 Exodus 22:20-23:13 / Luke 4:16-30
4/13 Exodus 23:14-33 / Luke 4:31-44
4/14 Exodus 24:1-18 / Luke 5:1-16
4/15 Exodus 25:1-22 / Luke 5:17-39
4/16 Exodus 31:1-18 / Luke 6:1-19
4/17 Exodus 32:1-14 / Luke 6:20-38

(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.*