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EASTER

APRIL 20, 2025

9:30 AM



ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY TO THE GLORY OF GOD
BY MANY LOVING FAMILIES

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IN HONOR OF JOAN OLSON FROM SHERRI BOOKER & HOPE COMFORT DOG

At the beginning of the service all are asked to sign the attendance card located in the pew racks and place them in the offering plate during the collection. So that we may better serve you and send you more information, guests, please print your address and telephone number on this card.

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THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Elder on Duty	4/6/2025	4/13/2025	4/20/2025	4/27/2025
9:30 am Worship	8:15 Ward Irvin 11:00 Glenn Jones	Steve Buchtrup Vinny Caracci	Tim Lambert Greg Schaag	Russ Couch Glenn Jones
Readers	4/6/2025	4/13/2025	4/20/2025	4/27/2025
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WE BELIEVE GOD'S WORD... ON THE LORD'S SUPPER

We believe that in the Sacrament of Holy Communion Christ gives His true body and blood under the form of bread and wine for the assurance of the forgiveness of sins. We believe Jesus is truly present in the Sacrament, and as we come in faith to receive it, we receive Him. The Bible teaches that those who eat without recognizing the Lord's body, eat and drink judgment on themselves (*1 Corinthians 11:27-29*). Those baptized and believing Christians who share our confession of faith are welcome guests at the Altar. The Pastor would be glad to answer any questions relating to our faith or practice. Anyone not confirmed or communing is welcome to come and receive a blessing.

Also Happening This Week

Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Create in Me - Ladies' Crafts

Wednesday, 8:30 and 9:15 a.m. Chapels: School and ECE

Our Discipleship in the past weeks:

Worship	4/6/25	4/13/25	4/20/25	4/27/25
9:30 am Worship	8:15am 62/59 11:00am 44/44	153/148		
Sunday School	22	31		
Monthly Budget	\$61,000	\$61,000	\$61,000	\$61,000
Weekly Giving	\$17,619	\$6,112	\$	\$
On-Line Giving	\$3,747	N/A	N/A	N/A
Giving MTD	\$21,366	\$27,478	\$	\$

VOTER'S MEETING, SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 10:45 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome in the name of Jesus!

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

LSB 457

- ♫ **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!**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

There are some who say there is no resurrection from the dead! But if there is no resurrection from the dead, then not even Christ has been raised.

If Christ has not been raised, our faith is futile, we are still in our sins. Then, those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.

Gracious God, our Father, we come into Your house today to celebrate that Jesus the Christ suffered, died, and rose from the dead for us and for our salvation. Yet, even as we place our faith and hope in Your Son's resurrection from the dead, we admit and confess we have not always lived as children of resurrection.

We have not loved You as we ought, we have not loved others as You have commanded. We have allowed the temporal matters of this life to get in the way of serving others. For the sake of Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins and renew us that we may be faithful and obedient to You. Open our lips that we may proclaim the good news of forgiveness and new life in Jesus Christ to those who continue to live in sin and darkness.

Death came through a man Adam and the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man Christ. In Adam all die, but the Good News is this: all who believe in Christ will be made alive. As a called and ordained servant of the Word-made-flesh, I assure you that God has heard your prayer, and in the place and by the command of the Risen Christ, Jesus, I forgive all your sin, in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Gracious God our Father, we give You thanks and praise that Jesus Christ our Lord has conquered death and the grave and has opened to us the way to everlasting life.

Fill our hearts, Holy Spirit, with Your grace and love, that our worship today may bring You praise, honor, glory, and joy. In the name of the Risen Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHOIR

CROWN HIM, THE RISEN KING! — LLOYD LARSEN

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15:16-28 (NIV)

¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²² For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³ But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴ Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷ For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. ²⁸ When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

♪ Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:1-12 (NIV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵ In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷ 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' " ⁸ Then they remembered his words.

⁹ When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰ It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹² Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON HYMN

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

LSB 461, v 1-5

♪ 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.

5. He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.

SERMON: RESURRECTION WITNESSES! It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women...

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

As we pray together for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs, you are invited to take a moment now in silent prayer to lift up the names and needs that are upon your heart this day.

(A time of silence for personal prayers)

We praise You, O God our Father, for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Because He is risen from the dead, He lives so we now have new life in His name! Empower us, Holy Spirit, to live bringing praise, honor, and glory to our God. Pour Your grace upon Your Church, that our witness to the resurrection of Jesus Christ may be clear and bold.

**♪ 6. He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest and King.**

Like the disciples, O Lord, sometimes we are almost afraid to believe the Good News that Christ is alive. Fears and doubts threaten to overcome us. Trials and troubles challenge our faith. Strengthen us by Your Word. Encourage us as we daily return to this new life we have in our Baptism. Nourish us by the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus, that our doubts may be banished and our fears disappear. God of all grace, Your care for us knows no bounds. When we mourn, You comfort us. When we suffer, You strengthen us. When we are ill, You heal us and give us the grace to endure. Hear the prayers we offer You now for those who are sick, suffering, and mourning ... Risen Lord, extend Your hand of grace and blessing. So, today, Lord and giver of life, we give You thanks for all who have gone before us in faith. On this day of resurrection, we give You thanks for the promise that, for those who lived by faith, death is but the doorway to eternal life. Give us a faith that trusts in You in the hour of our death.

**♪ 7. He lives, and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives, my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.**

On this day of resurrection, we commend into Your hands all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through the Risen Lord Jesus Christ.

♪ 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 Redeemer lives!

COLLECTION OF OFFERING AND TITHES

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

PEACE OF THE LORD

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

Please take a moment and share the Peace of the Lord with those around you.

We examine ourselves before partaking our Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"This is the Feast"

LSB 155

Refrain: This is the Feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

♪ 1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*

2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. *Refrain*

3. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.

4. Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *Refrain*

5. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia! *Final Refrain*

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing"

LSB 475

♪ 1. Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;
Let all the world rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. Praise we in songs of victory That love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**4. Your name we bless, O risen Lord, And sing today with one accord
The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

LSB 465, v1-3

**1. Now all the vault of heaven resounds In praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is Living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed, Christ has triumphed!"**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**2. Eternal is the gift he brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is Living!" Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence still all strife. "Christ has triumphed! He is Living!"**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**3. O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph; Grant grace sufficient for life's day
That by our lives we truly say, "Christ has triumphed! He is Living!"**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

DISMISSAL

BENEDICTION

Colossians 3:1-4

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Go in peace to serve the Risen Christ with joy. **Amen!**

Christ is risen! **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

SENDING HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

LSB 465, v 4

4. Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav'nly blessed sing:

"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!" Be to the Father and our Lord,

To Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory, never ending!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SENDING

Go in peace to serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God.**

*Easter Breakfast in the cafeteria and on patio. Please come and enjoy.
Thank you, Faith Members and friends, for the joy to worship together on
Easter and to partner in our ministry.*