

Serving in the Lord's House Today

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THE LORD'S SUPPER (Holy Communion)

Those who commune at the Table of the Lord are baptized Christians who have examined their lives and consciences. Christians believe and confess that in the Sacrament of the Altar all who commune receive, irrespective of their personal convictions, the true body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Those who receive in faith, receive thereby remission of sins, communion with Christ, and the pledge of eternal life. Those who do not receive in faith, eat and drink judgment upon themselves (1 Corinthians 11:29)". If you are not a member of this congregation or have never communed at His altar before, or hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, yet seek reception of the sacrament, please make yourself known to the Pastor prior to the beginning of the service. For further study, see Matthew 5:23, 18:15-35; 26:26-29; and 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

(Note: If for medical or any other reason you prefer not to drink wine when you commune, the rose colored individual cups in the tray hold grape juice. Gluten Free wafer available upon request.)

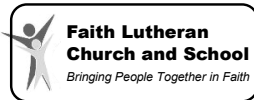
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"Raise up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from his ways."
Proverbs 22:6



LCMS

Mission

Faith Lutheran Church and School exists to worship, serve and grow in Jesus Christ

Faith Lutheran Church and School

April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter

Confirmation Sunday

Order of Service—Blended

Welcome and Announcements
We Share in the Peace of the Lord

Opening Song — I Know That my Redeemer Lives (vs 1-4) -
LSB #461

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.

He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to
save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there
on high.

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.

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.

Order of Confession and Forgiveness —

P: In the name of the Father and of the t Son and of the
Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart
and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgression unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins
and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and
justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I
am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them,
and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of
the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your be-
loved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me,
a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a
called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the
grace of God unto all of 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 t Son and of the Holy
Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit —

*P: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that
by it you may grow up to salvation*

C: if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;

C: make known his deeds among the peoples!

P: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

C: tell of all his wondrous works!

P: Glory in his holy name;

C: let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

P: Seek the Lord and his strength;

C: seek his presence continually!

P: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

C: his miracles, and the judgements he uttered.

P: He remembers his covenant forever,

**C: the rod that he commanded, for a thousand genera-
tions.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

C: and to the Holy Spirit;

P: as it was in the beginning,

C: is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation

C: if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Prayer of the Day —

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may be 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.

First Reading — Acts 4:32-35

Gradual — 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 under his feet.

Second Reading — 1 John 1:1-2:2

Gospel Reading — John 20:19-31

Youth Message —

Sermon Hymn — The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want (vs 1-2) - LSB #710

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie in pastures green; He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake.

Sermon — By Pastor Seth Hoepfner

Offering — In response to hearing the Good News, we take a moment of reflection to give thanks to God.

Confirmation Hymn — The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want (vs 3-5) - LSB #710 (Sung when the confirmand and family is coming to the front of the church)
Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

The Right of Confirmation —

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 —

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.

Eucharistic Prayer —

Institution —

Create In Me a Clean Heart — LSB #192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Communion Hymn — I Love You Lord

I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, oh my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, oh my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

Post Communion Canticle — Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post Communion Prayer —

Blessing —

Closing Hymn — I Know That my Redeemer Lives (vs 5-8) - LSB #461

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.

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.

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.

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!