

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 24, 2022

Messiah Lutheran Church

Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church Second Sunday of Easter | April 24, 2022

In an effort to make Messiah comfortable and welcoming for everyone, we ask that you refrain from using strong personal scents or perfumes. Thank you.

<u>Gathering</u>

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is Risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

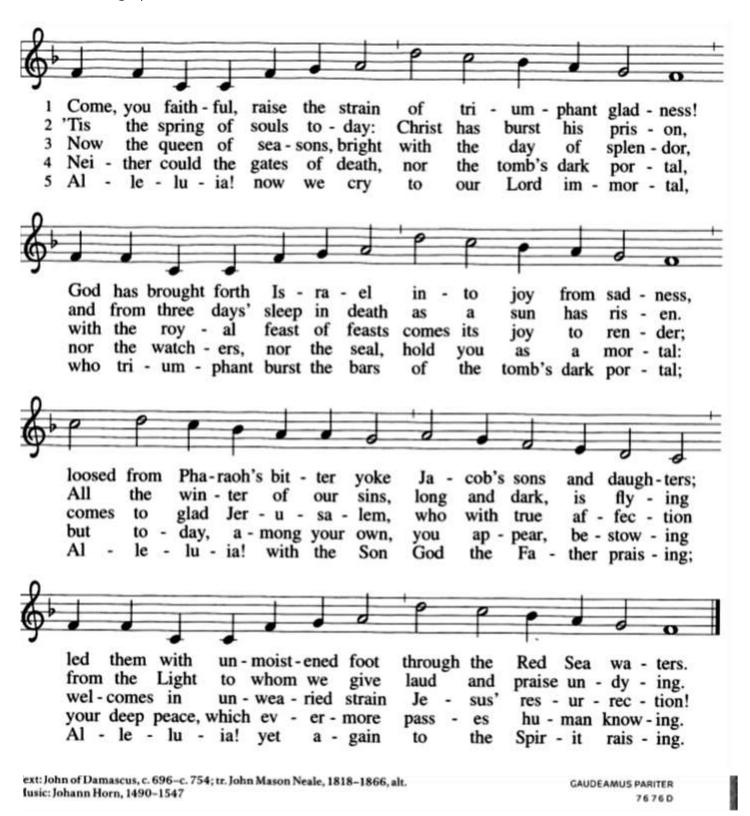
We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth,
like rains to our thirsting earth,
like streams that revive our souls,
like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.
Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ, in love and mission.
Cleanse our hearts of all division.
Shower us with the life we have in you.

To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering | ELW 363 Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain



The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

O God of Life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of **your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and** strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

Children's Sermon

Acts 5:27-32 (See back of bulletin)
Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118: 14-29

The Lord is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation. Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; here the righteous may enter."

I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

By the Lord this has been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Hosanna! O Lord, save us! We pray to you, Lord, prosper our days! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, we bless you from the house of the Lord.

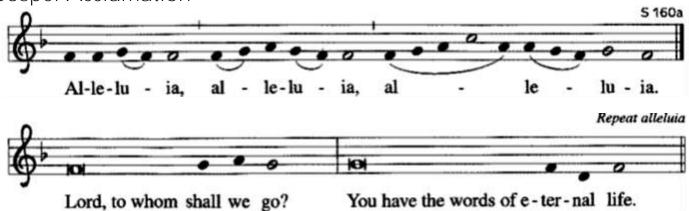
The Lord is God and has given us light. Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.

You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.

Revelation 1:4-8 (See back of bulletin)
Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



The Holy Gospel according to John the 20th Chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

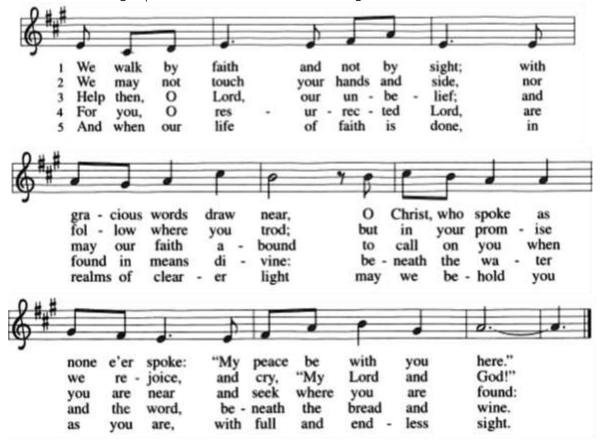
Praise to you, O Christ.

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Sermon

Hymn of the Day | ELW 635 We Walk by Faith



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Nicene Creed
We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not makde,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

...Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always

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Offering

Offertory Hymn | ELW 464 | Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal



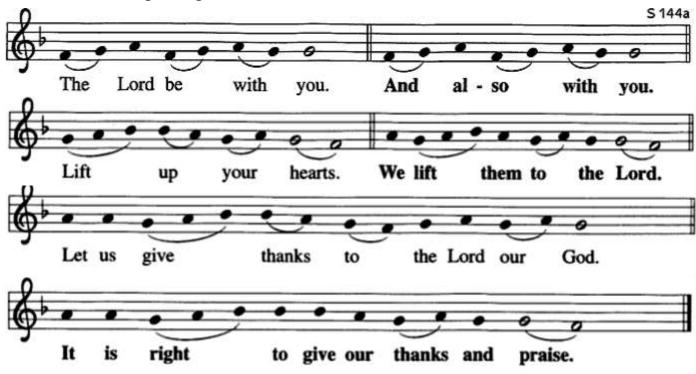
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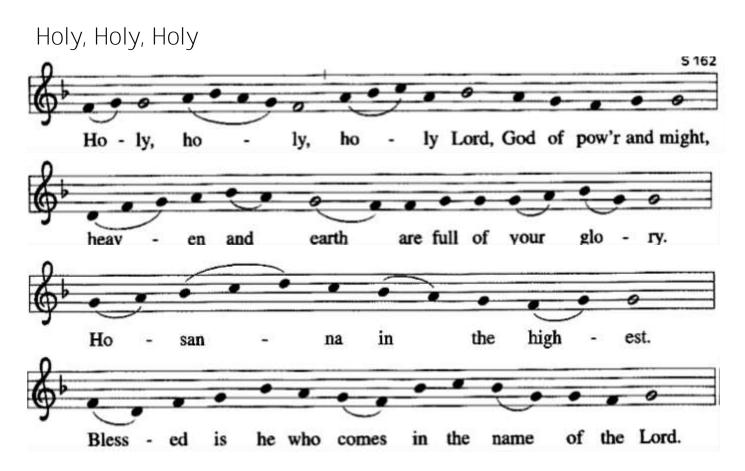
Offertory Prayer

God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



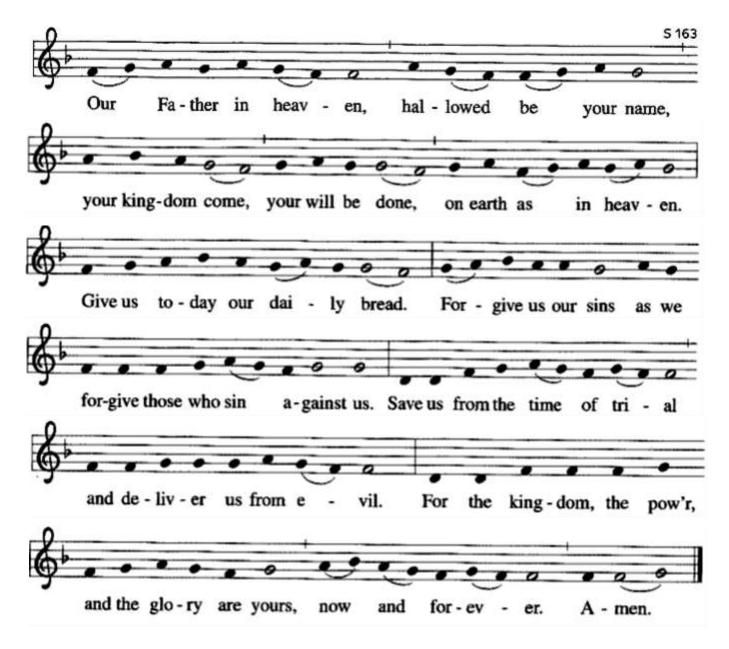
Preface for Easter





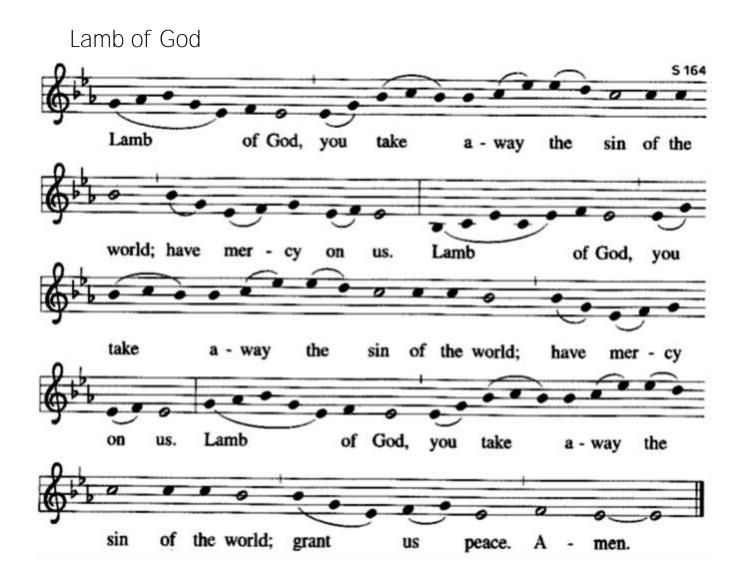
Eucharistic Prayer | Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer



Invitation to the Table

Communion



Post Communion Prayer

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>SENDING</u>

Blessing

May our Glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, (+) Son, and Holy Sprit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

Sending Hymn | ELW 375 Alleluia! Christ is Arisen



- 2 La Magdalena fue a llorarlo y Cristo se le apareció; le pidió ir a sus hermanos con un encargo que le dio. Estribillo
- 3 A los discípulos, de tarde, Cristo también se presentó. Les enseño las cinco heridas; dando la paz los saludó. Estribillo
- 4 Tomás no estaba en ese encuentro; y ver, pidió, para creer. Cristo volvió, le dijo: "Mira, palpa mi herida y ten fe." Estribillo

Dismissal
Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Allelluia!
Our worship has ended. Now our service begins.
Go in peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Announcements

Special Offering for April is Lutheran World Relief

- We will be purchasing Garden Party hanging flower baskets, but still need some additional funds to cover the cost.
- Join us on Monday, April 25th at 5:00 pm out on the land for a Ground Breaking ceremony to mark the start of construction on the new church.

Prayer Requests

For prayer requests, contact the church office at 406-446-2430 or messiahprayers@gmail.com with specific information and permission from the person you are adding.

Lowell Anderson
Marphel Ballentine
Emma Balsam
Russ Born
Manuel Cabanas
The Family of Amy
Crane
Lenny Erickson
Brooke Feister
Larry Fry

Mike Gasparro
Nathan Green
Andrea Holmen
Herb & Myrna Hunt
Jim Johnson
Jim Koski
Rick Koski
Sandy Koski
Neil Laird
Jim & Linda Lian
Ray Loyning
Howard Marquardt

Shilo & Kingston
Moncada
The family of Tallu Quinn
Kenneth Rich
James "Bud" Ridenour
Dick Rosekelly
DJ Rosekelly
Julie Schweitzer
Christian Strickland
Josh Wilker
Eva Wilker
Jim Zenz



Messiah Lutheran Church

Live by faith **Share Christ's Love**Be a voice for Hope



FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32

When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

7Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

8"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, 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 the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, 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. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt 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 come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.