**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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*THAT ALL MAY KNOW THE LOVE OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST*

**
Easter Sunday**

**April 17th, 2022**

**9:00am**

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**Prelude -**Loraine Mix

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness

and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Opening Hymn “*Jesus Christ is Risen Today”* ELW 365**

**Greeting**

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.**

**Kyrie p. 184**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Amen.**

**Special Music *“Easter Carol/Easter”*** -Senior Choir

**First Reading: Acts 10:34-43**

Peter began to speak to the people: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

**Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

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

**Let Israel now declare,** **“God’s mercy endures forever.”**

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 has this 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.

**Gospel Acclamation**

*Alleluia.* Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us keep the feast. *Alleluia.*

**Gospel: Luke 24:1-12**

1On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. 2They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. 6Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” 8Then they remembered his words, 9and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. 10Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. 11But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

**Children’s Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day “Now All the Vault…” ELW 367**

**Prayers of Intercession**

Merciful God. **Receive our prayer.**

**Peace**

**Offering**

**Offering Prayer**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Preface (Holy, Holy, Holy)**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,** **God of pow’r and might,** **heaven and earth are full of your glory.** **Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.** **Hosanna in the highest.**

**Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer p. 145**

**Invitation to Communion**

The risen Christ dwells with us here.

All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

**Communion Blessing and Prayer**

**Blessing and Benediction**

**Closing Hymn “*Thine Is the Glory ”* ELW 376**

**Dismissal**

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Postlude -**Loraine Mix

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Announcements

**The altar flowers** are in loving memory of Norance Sr. and Nancy Reyerson, given by Mary Reyerson.

**Join us for coffee and fellowship** in the Fireside room after church.

**Thank you** to those in Care group 2 for your help with all the duties that it takes for Sunday worship to happen.

**Thank you to the Altar Guild** for helping with the stripping and decorating of the Altar for Holy week.

**If you or someone in your family** is hospitalized and would like to be put on our prayer list, please notify the office at 641-324 2984 or email at flc@flcnorthwood.org.

**Organist/Pianist:** Loraine Mix

**Acolyte:** Landon Nelson & Lauren Petznick

**Special Music:** Senior Choir

**Lay Reader:**

**Greeters:** The Abrams family

**Counters:** Lee & Becky Okerlund, Steph Perkins

**Communion Set -up:** Valerie Abrams & Gina Solberg

**Sound/Video:** Eli Mix & Mark Willand

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| **Weekly Calendar** |
| Sunday, April 17 |  9:00 am | Worship Service with H.C. |
|  |  6:30 pm | J.H. Youth |
| Tuesday, April 19 | 11:00 am | Staff Meeting |
|  |  7:00 pm | AA-Al-Anon |
| Wednesday, April 20 | 2:00 pm | Sr. Communion |
|  |  4:30 pm | 7th & 8th Confirmation |
|  |  6:00 pm | Inspire |
|  |  7:00 pm  | Choir |
|  |  7:00 pm | SH. Youth |
| Thursday, April 21 |  8:30 am | Quilting |
|  |  9:00 am | Prayer Group |
|  |  6:30 pm | Taekwondo |
| Sunday, April 24 |  9:00 am | Worship Service with N.O. |
|  | 10:10 am | Sunday School |
|  |  6:30 pm | J.H. Youth |

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| **Sunday Attendance and Giving** |
| **Date** | **Attendance** | **Giving** |
| April 10 | 181 | $2,598.26 |
| April 3 | 95 | $2,842.00 |
| March 27 | 55 | $1,168.00 |
| March 20 | 41 | $1,472.01 |

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| **INSPIRE Attendance**  |
| **Date** | **Attendance** |
| April 6 |  86 |
| March 30 |  101 |
| March 9 |  73 |
| February 23 |  85 |

**Mission Project for April**

**Dayspring Children’s Village**