

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 28, 2019

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Order of Worship (ELW Setting 1)
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April 28, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

In spite of all we have heard and all that we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the Lord Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of the Holy Communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

Key to hymnals:

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red); page numbers are in front, hymns in back

WOV = With One Voice (blue); page numbers are in front, hymns in back

STS = Spirit Touching Spirit (grey)

* = Please rise

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Gathering Hymn**

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

ELW #363

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Alleluia, Christ is risen!!

Christ is risen indeed!! Alleluia!!!

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

(Water is poured)

We give thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for the Thief River, the Red Lake River, and the Red River.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea to freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here: for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

(Water is poured)

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!!

Christ is risen indeed!!! Alleluia!!!

***Greeting**

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

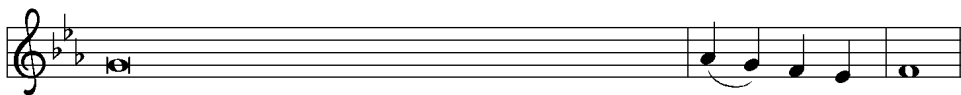
C: And also with you.



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



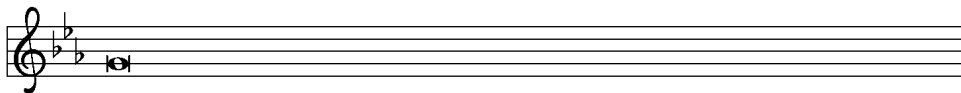
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



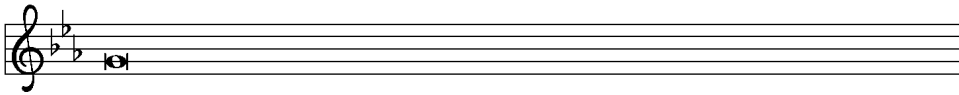
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.




Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.


Refrain




This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and




blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:




Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain




hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

***Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

C: 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

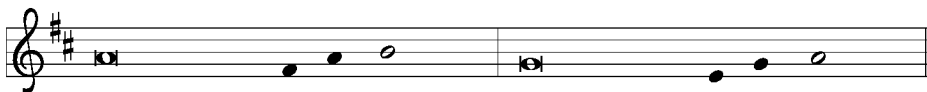
Acts 5:27-32

²⁷When 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."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 150



The tone is played once; all hum the tone once; then the psalm is chanted responsively.

- ¹Hallelujah! Praise God in the | holy temple;
praise God in the | mighty firmament.
- ²**Praise God for | mighty acts;
praise God for ex- | ceeding greatness.**
- ³Praise God with | trumpet sound;
praise God with | lyre and harp.
- ⁴**Praise God with tambou- | rine and dance;
praise God with | strings and pipe.**
- ⁵Praise God with re- | sounding cymbals;
praise God with loud | clanging cymbals.
- ⁶**Let everything | that has breath
praise the Lord. | Hallelujah!**

Revelation 1:4-8

- ⁴John 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.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel Acclamation**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia

***Gospel: John 20:19-31**

P: The holy gospel according to St. John...

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁹When 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.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If 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.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Darrel Cory

***Hymn of the Day**

We Walk By Faith

ELW #635

***Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Prayers of the Church**

P: ...Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

***Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! As our tithes and offerings are being collected, please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew and pass it down to the next person.

***Offertory**

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW #181

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***Thanksgiving at the Table**

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.

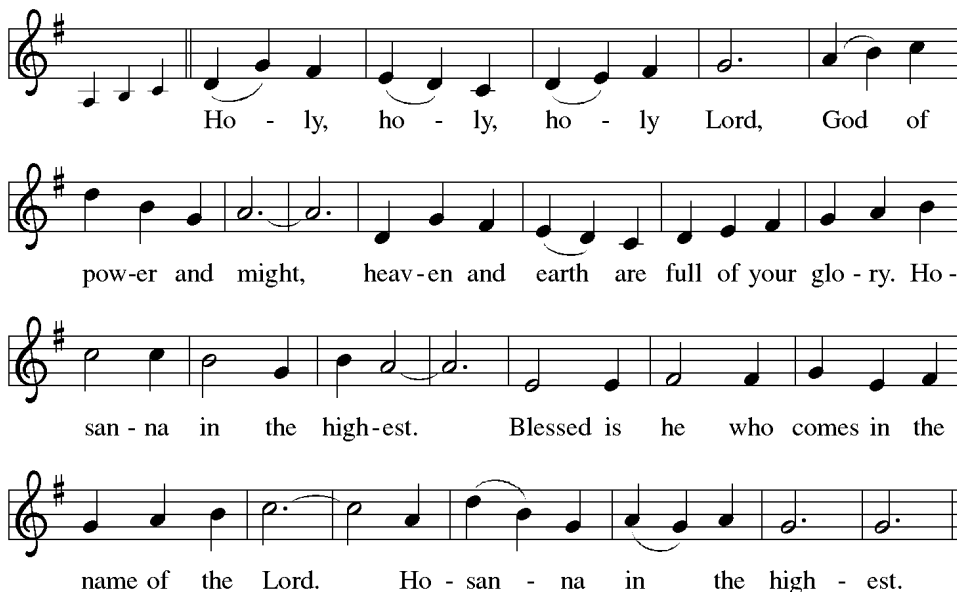
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;

who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Sanctus**

ELW p. 108



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood!

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

**Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.**

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit!!

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit!!

**With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.**

*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.

*Agnus Dei

ELW p. 112



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, grant us peace.

Distribution

All who come seeking Jesus are invited to receive these gifts of God. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Communion will be served at two stations. Grape juice (in pre-filled cups) and gluten-free wafers are available at the head of the aisle.

Hymns during Distribution

Bread of Life From Heaven
O Savior, Precious Savior

ELW #474
ELW #820

*Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

*Post-Communion Canticle

ELW p. 113



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

SENDING

*Benediction and Threefold Amen

A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

The image shows a musical score for a threefold Amen. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. Both staves are in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - - - men.' are written below the treble staff, with the final 'men' having a long dash underneath it to indicate a prolonged note. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment.

*Sending Hymn

Thine Is the Glory
accompanied by Sing and Ring

ELW #376

*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!!

C. Thanks be to God!!!

Postlude

Please join us for coffee fellowship in the Narthex following worship!

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Reader: Jan Anderson

Ushers: Eric and Julie Tjelle

Acolytes: Landon Wikert and Brianna Berg

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Altar Guild members

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Martha Unit

Church Offering Bank Run: Chis Burnham

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY WEDNESDAY (MAY 1)

Reader: Paula Adamson

Ushers: Chad and Becky Berg

Communion Ministers: Stacy Davidson, Linda Olson, Susan Brekke

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Sue Bendickson, Phyliss Johnson, Carol Ihle

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Dean Dalen

ASSISTING IN MINISTRY NEXT SUNDAY (MAY 5)

Reader: Betty Carlson

Ushers: David and Linda Ulrich

Communion Ministers: Jan Huebsch, Paula and Carol Ihle

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Sue Bendickson, Phyliss Johnson, Carol Ihle

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Church Council

Church Offering Bank Run: Dee Wollenzien

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Our Mission Statement: Being chosen by God and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, Redeemer Lutheran Church gathers together to worship, serve and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, to provide meaning and purpose for daily living.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 28- MAY 5,2019

Sunday, April 28	Dedication of Quilts No Choir 9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
Wednesday, May 1	Sing and Ring (Time TBD) 6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, May 5	8:15am 9:30am	Choir rehearsal and sing Worship with Holy Communion

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your prayers this week please remember Jeremy Johnson, Jamison Westling, Brenda Russ, Chad Gunderson, Kelly Amundgaard, Jason Miller, Shelley Steva, and Molly Dahlin and family.

Altar flowers this day are given by Dan and Patsy Lindquist in honor of Lois Lindquist's 90th birthday, Tami Hanson in memory Jovie DeFrang.

Tami Hanson would like to thank everybody for their thoughts and prayers for Jovie. Jovie Gean DeFrang passed away Saturday, April 20th.

Redeemer delivers Meals on Wheels on May 13-17th; we need 3 drivers per day.
Signup sheet is in the narthex; thank you for your help.

The signup sheet for the May Salad Luncheon is now available on the table in the narthex. We need a variety of salads, workers and if you wish to donate towards the event please leave in the office and note that it's for the luncheon.

Women of Redeemer! You're invited to the Cluster #2 Spring Gathering on Saturday, April 27, 2019, at First Lutheran Church in Middle River. The gathering begins at 8:30 AM with muffins and coffee, and concludes at noon with a luncheon. See the flyers posted near the church entrances for details. Come one & all!

Mark your calendar!! The May Salad luncheon will be Tuesday, May 7th, from 11am-1:00pm; the cost is \$8. Take outs will be available.

Thank you for participating in Redeemer's 40 Acts of Giving challenge! Please bring your 40 Acts of Giving donations of coins, dollars and/or checks to church on April 28th or May 5th. All donations will be placed ("dumped") together in the collection container next to the ushers. Donations may also be sent to the church office. The monies will be divided and given to Kylie Westling for her area food shelf fundraiser and the ELCA World Hunger initiative.

The Property Committee is planning a work night at Redeemer, on Monday May 13th at 5:30pm. Yard cleanup, window washing and general all-around spring cleanup are in the works. Please join the Property Committee; many hands make light work. Please bring shovels, rakes or whatever you may want to roll up our sleeves and pitch in to make our church shine.

The Altar Guild is in need of volunteers due to members moving and illness. If you are willing to help out, please contact Bev Thompson.

Church Announcements: Please make sure to have your announcements in every week to Vanessa VanDam by **Monday at 10:00 a.m.** so that the preparation of bulletins does not get delayed.

Quarterly statements are available upon request; please contact Vanessa at the church office.

Monthly Treasurer's Reports are available anytime for viewing. Contact Marit Knutson or the church office.

A support group for people who are caregivers and/or family members of those with dementia/Alzheimer's will be held the third Monday of each month at the Grand Stay hotel meeting room in Thief River Falls. This caregiver support group is sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association. It is designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for caregivers through regularly scheduled meetings. For more information, please contact the facilitator Kari Jesme at 218-686-4487 or at kari.jesme@gmail.com.

Free services for seniors wishing to remain independent: The RSVP Groceries to go and Handyman Programs are vital services for seniors 60+ wishing to remain independently in their homes. G2G Volunteers shop for and deliver groceries or assist with shopping 2-4 times per month.

Handyman volunteers assist with minor home maintenance issues. Caring volunteers are ready to help you! Contact Tammy or Jennifer at 218-281-8288 or 800-862-6466, or e-mail tsyles@umn.edu or jkerdman@umn.edu.

If you are struggling with grief, please check the kiosk in the Narthex for various grief support groups being offered by Hospice of the Red River Valley.

First Quarter Financial Status

2019	Jan-March
Budget Income	\$73,324.74
Actual Income	\$55,207.61
Budget Expense	\$73,324.74
Actual Expense	\$55,757.48