

# Third Sunday of Easter

## April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### Order of Service

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7:45 Hymns: 469, 466, 465, 468, 478

10:30 Hymns: Praise and Worship

Wednesday Hymns: 469, 466

### Sermon

"Disturbing News!"

*Rev. Wes Gillaspie*

### Scripture Readings

*Acts 3:11-16, 4:1-4:* While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see. The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. They were greatly disturbed because the

apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

*I John 3:1-7:* See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him. Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

*Luke 24:36-49:* While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of

broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence. He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

### Serving in Worship Today

Elders . . . . . *Charles Zwerk, Mark Frank, Mark Schiefer; Dave Miller*  
Organist . . . . . *Charles Chaveriat*  
Choirs . . . . . *5th-8th Grade Choir; Praise Team*  
Altar Guild . . . . . *Audrey VanDeVeer, Lavonne Richards, Luann Hecht*

### Wednesday

Elder . . . . . *Scott Wenzel*  
Organist . . . . . *Terese Petro*

*Jeff Bolzman's and Dr. Eifert's Bible study on Matthew will meet in the Park Hall today.*

*Baptism:* Harlan Buetow, son of Ryan and Kristi Buetow, was baptized on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.

*Drive Thru Benefit Dinner:* Sloppy Joe benefit today, starting at 11:45 in church parking lot, for Sherry Krieger who is battling

cancer. There will also be sloppy joes available as you leave church, after both services. Free will donation. Please continue to keep Sherry in your prayers.

*Valley Lutheran High School Handbell Concert:* Sunday, April 14th, 4:00 P.M. Come join us for a free handbell concert, with our very own St. Michael's Handbell Choir featured! Posters can be found on the bulletin board in the church.

*Lutheran's Laymens League:* Come join us to hear our guest speaker, State Representative Matthew Bierlein, tell us about what's happening in Lansing. Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the church overflow room, refreshments will be provided by LLL president John Schnell.

*LLL Peat Moss Sale:* May 3 & 4, PICK UP AT THE SHED or we can deliver larger orders. 40lbs bag \$4.50 ea., BUY 10 GET 1 FREE.-- TIME TO ORDER! CALL- MARK 898-280-1166 or JIM 989-670-1710 Proceeds to "Lutheran Hour Ministries" Thanks For Your Support!

*Vacation Bible School:* will be held July 8th - 11th evenings, Monday - Thursday. Please come to our meeting on Tuesday April 16th at 7:00 pm in the school conference room to learn more! More information can be found in the newsletter.

*Little Dresses Sewing Session* will be Saturday, April 20th from 9 AM to 4 PM. at

Mary Reinbold's home. We will have a potluck lunch at noon. Please consider joining us for some great fellowship and helping this worthwhile ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Reinbold. We hope to see you there!

*Passion Drama Meeting:* Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> 7 p.m. in the church overflow room, to brainstorm and discuss ideas for next year in the overflow room.

*The First Graders* will be presented their Bibles Sunday, April 28th in the early service.

*Church Directory Photos:* April 28, 2024 is our Group Photo Day. Please make every effort to attend as scheduled. The Chairman of each group will be receiving the schedule and they will contact their teams. Shut In's and Assisted Living residents: If you have the availability to be taken to Rummel Studio please do so. The Winter's Village Shuttle will take you also. Otherwise Karen (989)652-9909 will go to Assisted Living resident. The back entrance is handicap approved. If you have photo's taken at the Studio and want a new binder please let me know. [2024CDRichville@gmail.com](mailto:2024CDRichville@gmail.com) Deadline for all photo submissions is: 5/13/24 Thank You for All Your Cooperation! -The Church Directory Committee

*Ushers Needed:* Anyone interested in joining an usher group please contact Matt

Buchinger @ 989-860-9136. Groups rotate every 6 weeks.

*Silverware Rolling:* If you would like to help with this project for OutReach, tubs of silverware and napkins are in the entry corner. Take a tub home and return when finished. Thank you in advance!

*The Kindness Club* is in need of new or gently used shoes that you have at home. The Shoe Drive ends April 30th, so we just have a few more weeks to go. We are about halfway to our goal of collecting 100 bags of shoes, with 25 pairs of shoes in each bag. These shoes will go to needy people in Haiti, Honduras, Ghana, and other countries. We are partnering with Funds2Org to raise money to help Mr. Joe Boway build Christians schools in Liberia. He spoke about this project to our students during chapel on Wednesday. Let's make a big push to finish out the month and gather as many shoes as possible! Any questions, please let Mrs. Callahan know! Thank you for your support from the Kindness Club.

*LWML Franconian Zone Spring Rally:* Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. Bible Study prepared by Pastor Mark Loest; Business Meeting; Mites; Guest Speaker: Camp Director Amy Wojtowicz of Lu Lay Lea Immanuel Lutheran Church Fellowship Room, 8220 Holland Road, Frankentrost Registration \$8.00 at 8:00 a.m.

*Mother's Day Chicken BBQ:* May 12, 2024 Drive thru only. \$12.00 Grilled Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing, Corn, Coleslaw, & Cupcake. Starting at 10:30 AM at St. Michael's School. All proceeds benefit St. Michael's Lutheran Church.

Dear Members of St. Michael's,  
*Thanks you to all who donated items for the Mary Martha rummage sale. Thanks to all those people who helped with prep. work, set-up, helping customers, packing, loading, clean-up. Vassar Building Center was loyal to us again by providing a truck and driver. I wish I know how many years they have been so generous, it has been many. God bless you all -Mary Martha*

Attendance  
Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>:  
Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>:

This week at St. Michael's  
Today . . . . . *Third Sunday of Easter*  
Communion 7:45 a.m.  
*Bible Class/KidzMin 9 a.m.*  
Praise and Worship 10:30 a.m.  
*Benefit for Sherri Kreiger 11:45 a.m.*  
VLHS Handbell Concert 4 p.m.  
Mon . . . . . *Newsletter Deadline*  
Lutherans Laymen's League 7 p.m.  
Tue . . . . . *VBS Meeting 7 p.m.*  
Wed . . . . . *Communion 7 p.m.*  
Thurs . . . . . *Adult Choir 7 p.m.*  
Next Sunday . . . . . *Fourth Sunday of Easter*  
Worship Service 7:45 a.m.

*Bible Classes/KidzMin 9 a.m.*  
*Communion 10:30 a.m.*  
*Passion Drama Meeting 7 p.m.*

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Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday:"More Than He Bargained For" , *Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler*; Whatever we ask of Jesus is probably too small, because Jesus provides more than what we expect. (Acts 3:6)

*Orphan Grain Train—Michigan* answers this time: Lima, Peru. A shipment will be departing this month for South America. We never know where the next destination might be in the world, but we do know where we have been in the past. Since 2019 the Michigan branch of Orphan Grain Train has made humanitarian shipments to Kyrgyzstan, Panama, Moldova, the Republic of Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Malawi, and South Sudan. Distributions are also always accompanied by the sharing of the Gospel of Christ. We thank those who participate and pray for this Christian mission. Learn more about Orphan Grain Train at [ogt.org](http://ogt.org).

# PRAYERS

## Health

*Justin Heinlein (Covenant), Kurt Howell, Jim Karst (U-M), Sherry Krieger, Mike Mossner, Nancy Palmreuter, Belinda Ball (open heart surgery)*

## Sympathy

The families of  
*Mary Ann Mossner, funeral April 11th; Mark Culbert, funeral April 13th; Floyd Auernhamer, funeral April 24th*

## Missions

*Rev. Nathaniel and Emma Jensen* serve the Lord through The LCMS in Kaiserslautern, Germany. Nathaniel is pastor of Kaiserslautern Evangelical Lutheran Church, which serves U.S. military members stationed in the area as well as other English speakers. In addition, Nathaniel works with the Synod's partner church in Germany to proclaim the Gospel to non-English speakers, and he serves as a mentor to seminary students throughout the region.

## Prayer of the Day

"Almighty and eternal God, now that You have assured us of our redemption through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, give us the will to show forth in our lives the faith which we profess with our lips; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen."