



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH MONMOUTH, IL

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## Welcome to Worship :: April 19, 2026—Easter Sunday

**Gathered by God, We Live Our Faith With:  
Compassion, Grace, Gratitude, and Joy.**

### Today's Worship Ministers

*Usher:* Mark Shrader  
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### Check Out Our Welcome Center

**Coffee Station:** We have a variety of Coffee and Tea options in our Narthex. Feel free to enjoy your beverage throughout the worship service

**Giving Station:** Our offering Plate and Vision and Purpose Giving Jar are located under the Narthex window

**Vision and Purpose:** In April we are supporting our local chapter of the Special Olympics. Special Olympics provides opportunities for its participants to feel empowered, to become leaders, and to be fully included. Thank you for supporting Special Olympics this month.

**Weekly Newsletters:** Print Copies of our weekly newsletter are available under the Narthex Window. The email version will be sent out on Monday. If you wish to receive a copy by email or a hard copy by mail, please let Pastor Jamie know.

### In Our Prayers

Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Janet Lowe, Wes Lovdahl, Pat Clark, Jennie Best, Dee Dee Yez, Charlotte Volz, Richard Schlicher, Tim Greene, Eloise Swisher, Cecil Lovdahl, the family and friends of Carol Hanson

### Wednesday Bible Study in May

A new Bible Study will begin in May on Wednesday mornings at 10 AM in Pastor's Study.

Join us as we discover God as creator throughout scripture

### Order of Service

#### Gathering

Announcements,  
Mission Statement/Prelude  
Confession and Forgiveness  
The Peace

Opening Hymn: ELW 361 The Day of Resurrection

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#### The Word/Prayer

Greeting  
Kyrie: ELW Setting 8, page 184  
Hymn of Praise, ELW Setting 8, page 187

#### Prayer of the Day

**O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of the bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work. We pray in the name of the one who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 1:17-23  
Gospel Acclamation: ELW Setting 8, page 188  
Luke 24:13-35

Sermon  
Hymn: ELW 385, Good Christian Friends Rejoice and Sing  
Apostles' Creed  
Prayers of Intercession  
Offering Prayer

Offering Hymn: ELW 692, We Are an Offering

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#### Communion

Dialogue: ELW Setting 8, page 190  
Preface  
"Holy, Holy, Holy": ELW Setting 8, page 190  
Communion Prayer  
Lord's Prayer  
"Lamb of God", ELW Setting 8, page 191  
Distribution  
Post Communion Prayer

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#### Sending

Benediction  
Closing Hymn: ELW 376, Thine Is the Glory  
Dismissal

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 36 “Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” 38 Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” 40 And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41 So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

1 Peter 1:17-23

17 If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person’s work, live in fear during the time of your exile. 18 You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. 20 He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. 21 Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

22 Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. 23 You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Luke 24:13-35

13 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” 19 He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22 Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23 and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” 25 Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26 Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” 27 Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29 But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” 33 That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34 They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” 35 Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.