

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026 - 10:30 am

Prelude / Bell / Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! C: Amen.

L: Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

L: Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us... Blessed are you.

C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.

L: Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.

L: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.

L: Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. All: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW 367

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

L: Almighty and eternal God, C: the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Pew Bible page 1692

Responsive

Psalm 16

L: Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord,
"You are my Lord, my good above all other."

C: All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

L: But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

C: I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

L: O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

C: My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

L: I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

C: I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

L: My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

C: For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

L: You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW 172

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31

Pew Bible page 1686

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Welcome Song

WELCA Crow River Conference Spring Gathering is Sat. April 25, 8 am at St. John's Lutheran Church, Annandale. Reservation deadline is April 15, with payment \$12 payable to WELCA and sent to St. John's. Also, the SW Women of the ELCA Synod Convention is Sat. May 2, at Calvary Lutheran Church, Willmar. Registration & In-Kind offering drop-off from 7:30 – 9 am. Fee is \$40 due with registration form by April 21, more information for both events is posted on the NLCW bulletin board, or contact the office.

West Central Singers are Celebrating 25th Anniversary on Sat. April 18, 2 pm at Brau Performing Arts Center, Willmar Senior High School. Director Naomi Powers-baker. Ticket available at the door, adults \$10, children & students free! More info at WESTCENTRALSINGERS.COM

Any emergency Pastoral Care needs April 13-17 can be directed to Pr. Donna Putney at 320-224-2486. Pr. Mindy is gone for Continuing Education.

Paynesville Lions Spaghetti Dinner is Friday, April 24, 4:40-7:30 pm at Paynesville American Legion. Advance tickets: \$14; at the door: \$15; child under 12: \$5 at the door. Take-out available.

BBQ Chicken Dinner & Bake Sale for Riverview Christian School is Fri. April 24, 3:30-8 pm at Believer's Fellowship Mennonite Church, Grove City. Suggested donation: \$20. Child \$12. Call ahead for carry-outs 320-295-0504.