

**THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

APRIL 18, 2021

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9:00 AM

Worship Service

10:30 AM

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Sunday School

Holy Communion:

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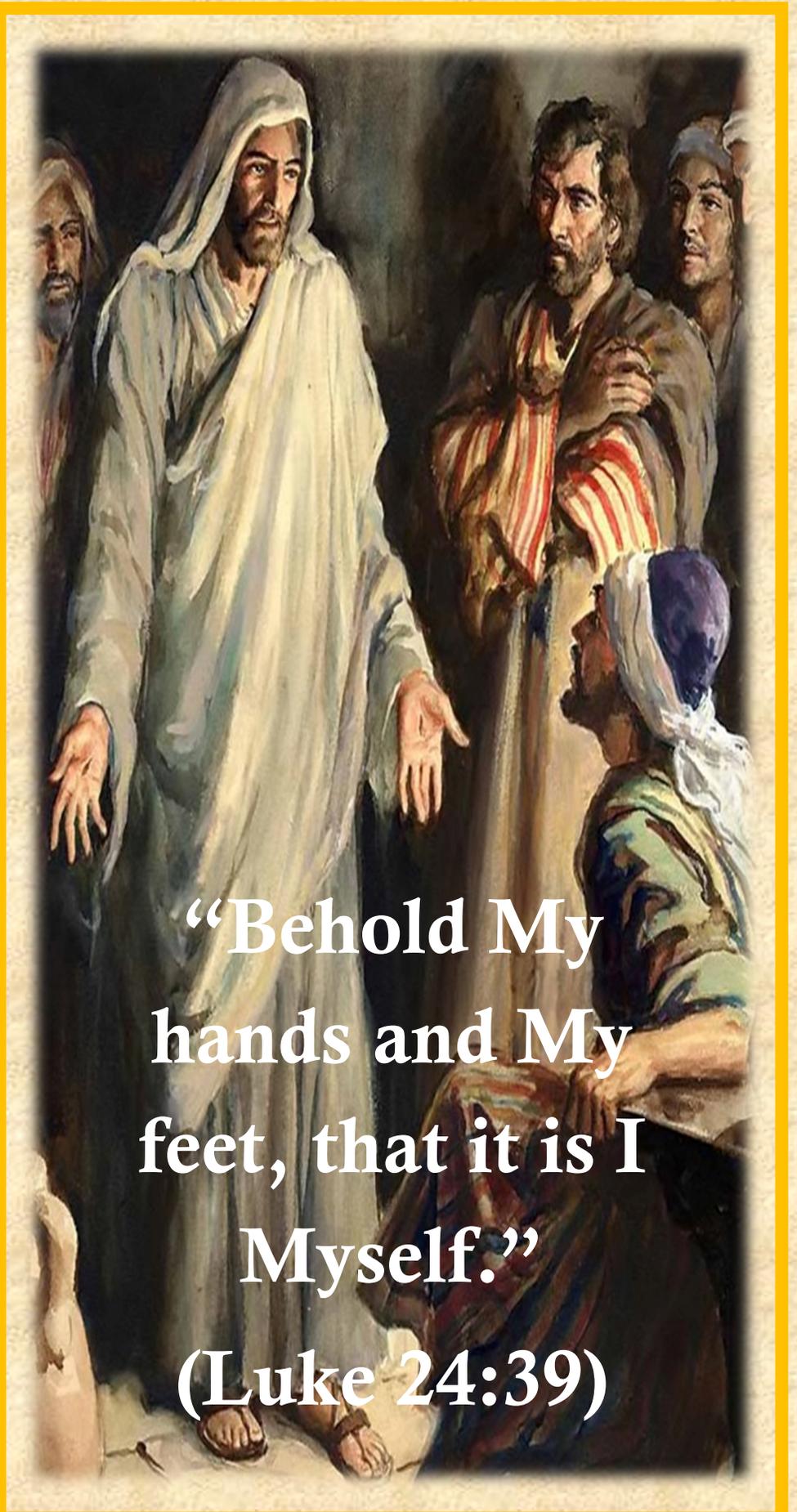
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**“Behold My
hands and My
feet, that it is I
Myself.”**

(Luke 24:39)

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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

This week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church - O almighty and eternal God, You have assured me of the completion of my forgiveness and new life in You through the resurrection of my Lord Jesus. You call me Your child through the waters of Baptism and give me eyes to see Your love for me in Your only-begotten Son. Give me the will to show forth in my life the faith I profess with my lips; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" (Luke 24:38). These are questions our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ asked of His disciples in another resurrection appearance after that first Easter morning. They are questions that could also be asked of us

numerous times in our daily lives as we face trouble and doubts. Yet as Jesus kept on appearing, He kept on showing them Himself, and more than that, He continued to teach and remind them that all that was written was fulfilled in and through Him. Though we cannot physically touch His hands and side, each time we gather, Jesus continues to speak to us, affirming His work, the Word fulfilled, and the worth of humanity for whom He came. Amid troubles and doubts, through Christ, we can “see what kind of love the Father has given to us” (1 John 3:1).

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation)

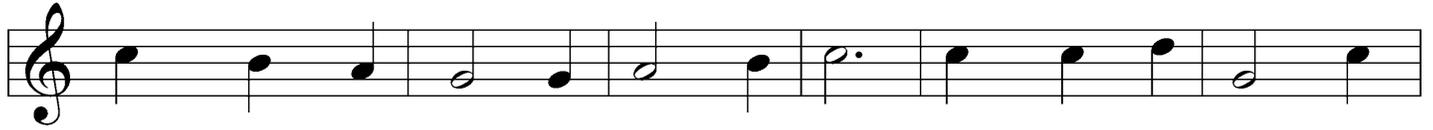


“See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” 1 John 3:1

OPENING HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

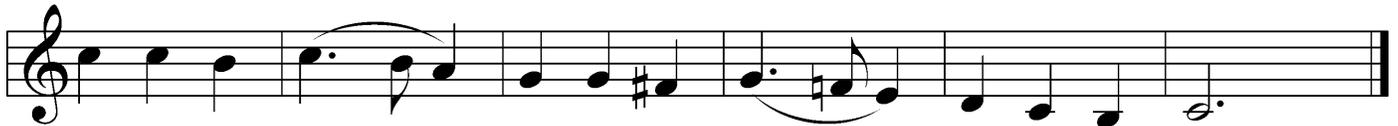
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1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Please stand

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: Psalm 16:11*

P You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

C I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lifted me up, and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

P O Lord my God, I cried out to You, and You healed me.

C O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave; You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

P Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.

C For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for life; weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

P You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with your spirit.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please sit

FIRST READING *Acts 3:11–21*

(Peter preaches salvation through Christ.)

11 Now as the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch which is called Solomon's, greatly amazed. 12 So when Peter saw it, he responded to the people: "Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? 13 The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go. 14 But you denied the Holy One and the Just,

and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. 16 And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

17 “Yet now, brethren, I know that you did it in ignorance, as did also your rulers. 18 But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled. 19 Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, 20 and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, 21 whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 4; antiphon: v. 7*

P You have put gladness in my heart, more than in the season that their grain and wine increased.

C Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have relieved me in my distress; have mercy on me, and hear my prayer.

P How long, O you sons of men, will you turn my glory to shame? How long will you love worthlessness and seek falsehood?

C But know that the Lord has set apart for Himself him who is godly; the Lord will hear when I call to Him.

P Be angry, and do not sin. Meditate within your heart on

your bed, and be still.

C Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord.

P There are many who say, "Who will show us any good?"
Lord, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us.

C You have put gladness in my heart, more than in the season that their grain and wine increased.

P I will both lie down in peace, and sleep; for You alone,
O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

P You have put gladness in my heart, more than in the
season that their grain and wine increased.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE *1 John 3:1-7*

(We are God's children now.)

1 Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. 4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. 5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. 6 Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him. 7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

ALLELUIA and VERSE



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



C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 24:36-49*

(Amid disciples' doubts, the resurrected Christ affirms the fulfillment of God's Word.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C **Glory to You , O Lord.**

36 Now as they said these things, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and said to them, "Peace to you." 37 But they were terrified and frightened, and supposed they had seen a spirit. 38 And He said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have." 40 When He had

said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. 41 But while they still did not believe for joy, and marveled, He said to them, "Have you any food here?" 42 So they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb. 43 And He took it and ate in their presence.

44 Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." 45 And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures.

46 Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, 47 and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 And you are witnesses of these things. 49 Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

All I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also

for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

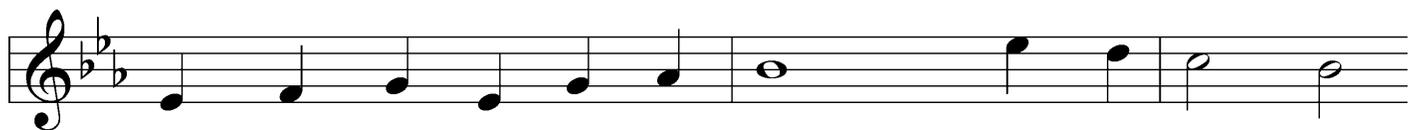
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HYMN OF THE DAY *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

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1	Now	all	the	vault	of	heav'n	re -	sounds	In
2	E -	ter -	nal	is	the	gift	He	brings,	There -
3	O	fill	us,	Lord,	with	daunt -	less	love;	Set
4	A -	dor -	ing	prais -	es	now	we	bring	And



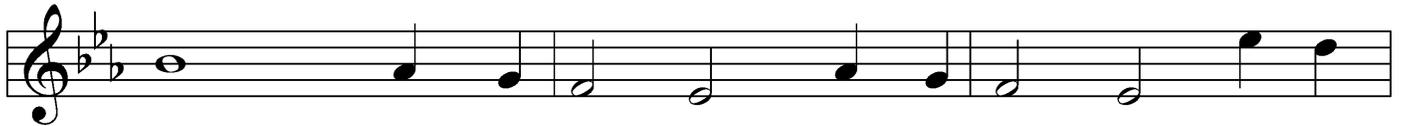
praise	of	love	that	still	a -	bounds:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!
fore	our	heart	with	rap -	ture	sings:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!
heart	and	will	on	things	a -	bove	That	we	con -	quer
with	the	heav'n -	ly	bles -	ed	sing:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!



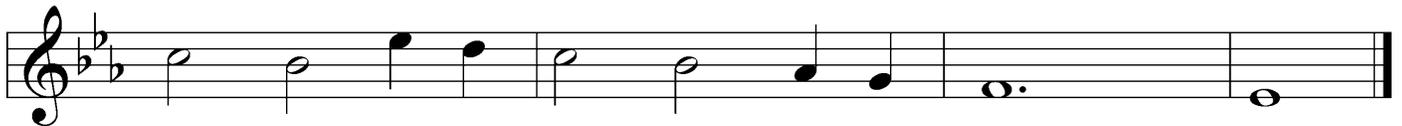
He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 life And by His pres - ence stills all
 day That by our lives we tru - ly
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!" Al - le -
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing! Al - le -
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Al - le -
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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SERMON

"Empty Handed? Behold and See"

(Luke 24:39)

OFFERING *(Please place your offering in the offering plate as you leave, thank you.)*

OFFERTORY

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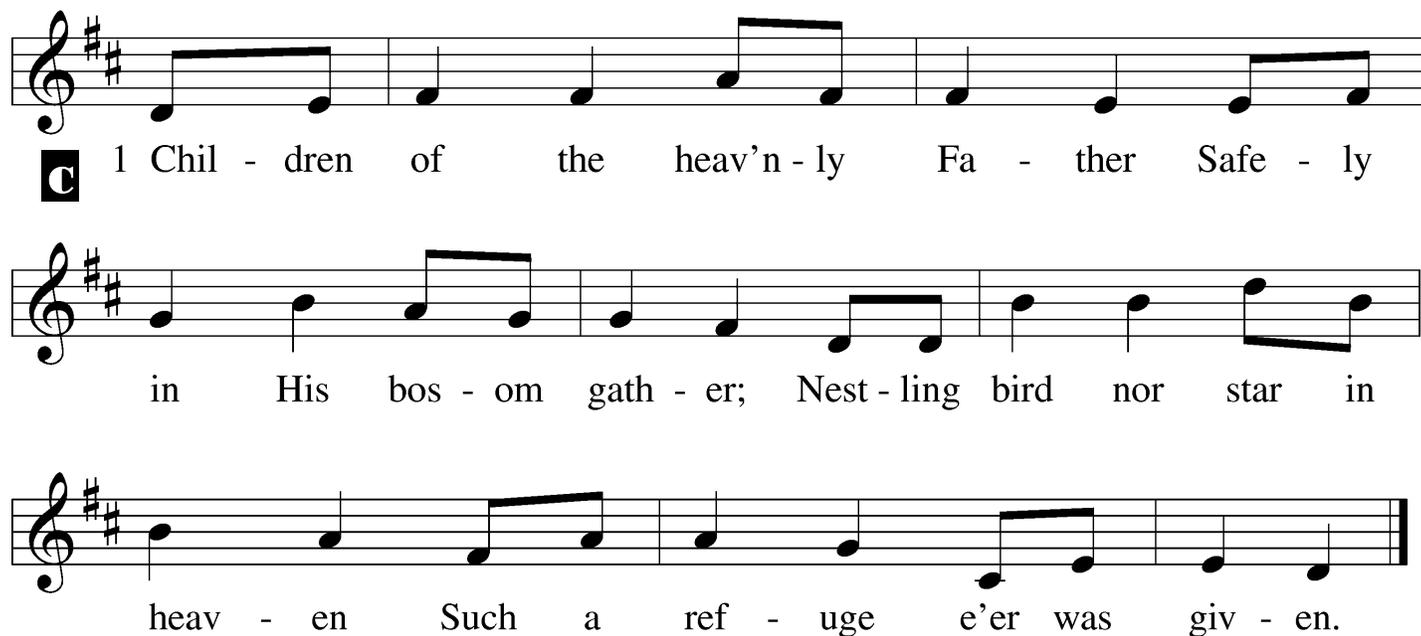
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SHARING OF THE PEACE *“Peace be with you” (John 20:21)*
(Learning and sharing through ASL (American Sign Language))

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *1 John 3:1-7*

P See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God, and so we are.

HYMN *“Children of the Heavenly Father”* [St. 1: LSB 725]



The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn "Children of the Heavenly Father". The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are: "1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en." The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C'.

P Lord, in Your love You have called us as Your own, gathered us together, and enlightened us by Your Spirit through Your Word. We bring to You our prayer and praise. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

We pray for all people of the world, that the Easter joy that shines by the radiance of Your Son, our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, would arise in the hearts and minds of all people. Grant all Your people the needs of body and life by the daily bread You provide, and keep all from harm.

HYMN*“Children of the Heavenly Father”*

[St. 2: LSB 725]

C 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His

ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He

s pares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.

P Lord of all care, give comfort to those who face troubles in this life in their spiritual, emotional, and mental need. Give healing according to Your will for those who face physical trials, [including . . .]. Grant peace to all who mourn, that Christ’s Easter Victory would point beyond earthly death and the grave to the promises assured forevermore.

HYMN*“Children of the Heavenly Father”*

[St. 3: LSB 725]

C 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the

Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He

show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.

P Lord of all provision, look with favor upon our land and all in authority that they lead with wisdom and compassion for all. Be with those who serve and defend from harm, and those who work to keep communities safe and in order. Bless all vocations that all would see their work for others as joyful service to You and Your creation. Grant Your Spirit that our eyes always be open to see Your love for us in Christ through Your Word and Means of Grace, that as we live as Your children we love as You have first loved us and confidently witness and proclaim the Easter joy within us to all.

HYMN *“Children of the Heavenly Father”* [St. 4: LSB 725]

C 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

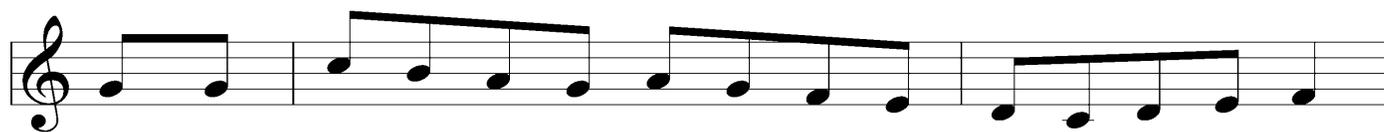
SANCTUS



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

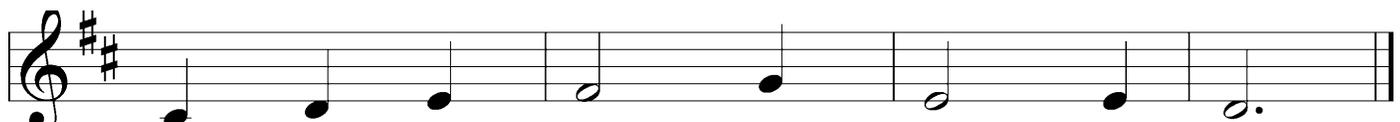


AGNUS DEI


1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,


You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;


O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,


Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Please sit

SILENT PRAYER before COMMUNING

Heavenly Father, in my Holy Baptism you have called me to be Your own possession. Prepare my heart to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all my sins. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope, and assure me a place at Your heavenly table, where I will eat eternal manna and drink of the river of the water of life freely, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

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NUNC DIMITTIS



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

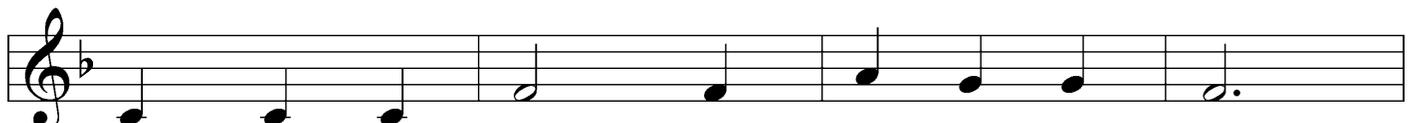
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SENDING HYMN

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

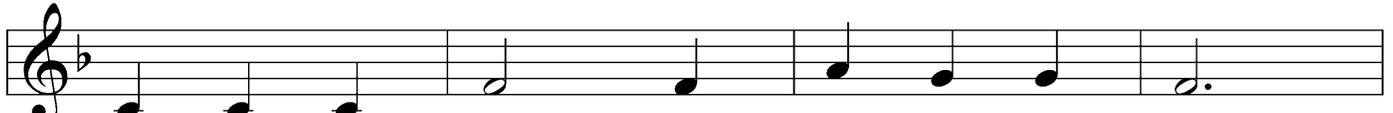
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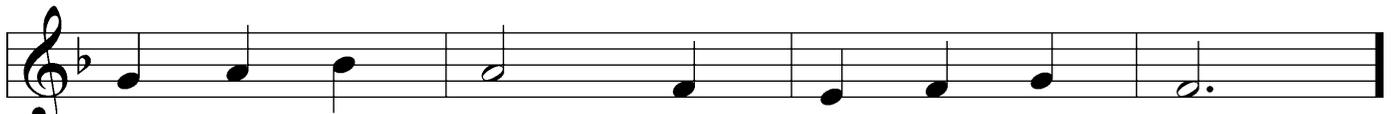
1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.

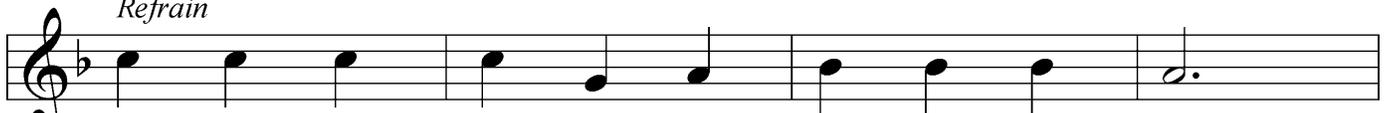


For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go;
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
 Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
 Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;

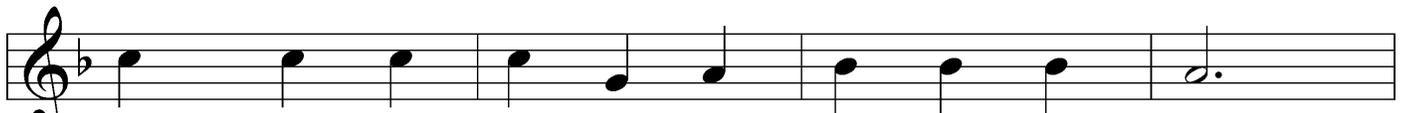


E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 And in its con - quest His might did show.
 On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
 E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
 He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

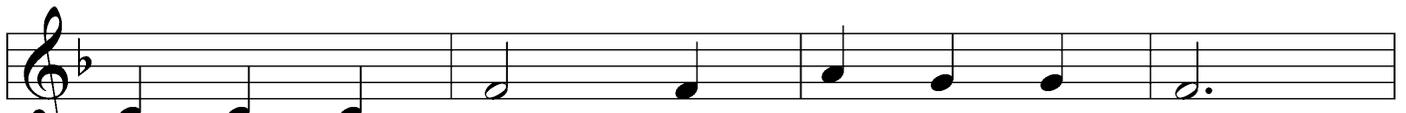
Refrain



Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE:



Today, April 18th, 2021, will be commemorated across the LCMS as *“Here I Stand” Sunday* – marking the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther’s testimony at the Diet of Worms – in accordance with Resolution 4-09 adopted at the 2019 LCMS Convention in Tampa, This resolution calls for the gathering of a Synodwide thank offering to be used toward the continued proclamation of the Gospel throughout the world, and invites our congregations and members to prayerfully ask the Lord’s blessing upon that proclamation.

Check the following resource found online at
lcms.org/here-i-stand-Sunday

If you wish to make a thank offering to support the proclamation of the Gospel, please visit the webpage noted above to make an online gift. Or, to make a gift by mail, make check payable to **“The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod”** and write **“Here I Stand Offering”** on the memo line. Then mail to::

The LCMS
P.O. Box 66861
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861



Portals of Prayer for April to June 2021 are available
in the Narthrex or office.

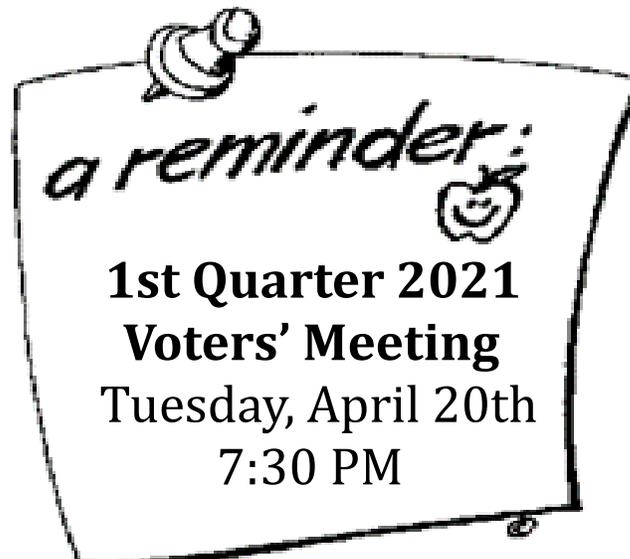
Adult Bible Class/Sunday School
at 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Weber leading the class!

Memory Verse Challenge

The LCMS invites everyone to join together memorizing a verse
together each week.

This week's memory verse: 1 Corinthians 15:22

"For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive."



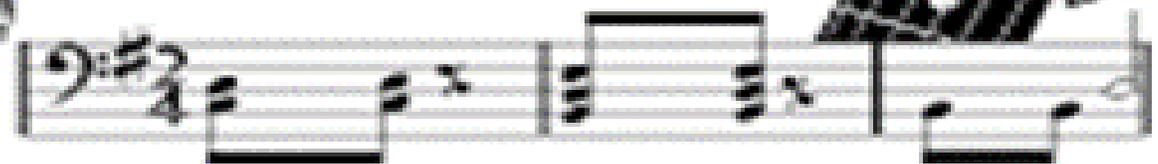


1 Praise the Lord!
Praise God in His sanctuary;
Praise Him in His mighty firmament!
2 Praise Him for His mighty acts;
Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!
3 Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet;
Praise Him with the lute and harp!
4 Praise Him with the timbrel and dance;
Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!
5 Praise Him with loud cymbals;
Praise Him with clashing cymbals!

Psalm 150:1-5

To God be the glory!

Praise the Lord.



The Preaching of Repentance and Forgiveness of Sins Makes Us Pure

The risen Lord Jesus taught His disciples “that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead” and “that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations” (Luke 24:46–47). Therefore, St. Peter preaches repentance and forgiveness to the people of Jerusalem. As he proclaims that Jesus fulfilled all that “God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets” (Acts 3:18), he also convicts the people of their sin, because they “delivered over and denied” this Lord Jesus and “killed the Author of life.” Yet God “glorified his servant Jesus” and raised Him from the dead (Acts 3:13–15). St. Peter calls the people to repent, so that their “sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord” (Acts 3:19–20). Through this forgiveness of sins and by faith in this forgiveness, the Father shows His love for us in order that “we should be called children of God; and so we are” (1 John 3:1). Thus, we hope in Him and are made pure even “as he is pure,” because “he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin” (1 John 3:3, 5).

4/11/2021		
Sunday Worship	26	
Plate:		\$ 165.00
Envelopes:		\$ 2,245.00
Donation:		
	Total:	\$ 2,410.00
Bible Class:	13	N/A

Fourth Sunday of Easter Readings:

*Acts 4:1-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18*

Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule

April Sunday Servants:	May Sunday Servants:
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Elder: Ken Eilers	Joe Winston
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Altar Guild: Billie Jo Neuhaus & M.aribel Perez	Same
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Music: Bonny Winston

This Week Third Sunday of Easter

Usher: Don Vogel

Sunday: Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
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Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
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Next Week Fourth Sunday of Easter

Usher: Dan Wehling

Sunday: Worship Service	9:00 am
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Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
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