

Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024 8:00 AM

Pastor Matthew Groenke
Assisting Minister – Bob Lovett
Altar Guild – The Hansen Family
AV Console Operator – Matthew Krieg
Greeter – Steve & Jane Dunnigan
Chapel Greeter – Roselind Wieland & Dorothy Warren
Organist/Pianist – Vernagene Mott



All Are Welcome!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we **GATHER** and worship, **GROW** in the Word, and **SERVE** God by serving people.

Worship Protocol

- Please stay home if you are sick.
- Face masks are a choice.
- Masks and large print bulletins are available at the entry table.
- You are encouraged to converse with each other OUTSIDE.
- Ushers will direct you to your seat.
- Worshipers in the same household may sit together.
- Communion elements are prepackaged.

After the benediction, please follow instructions for dismissal.

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HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament of communion is celebrated at all worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness. Currently, we are offering communion at the communion rail. Pre-packaged communion supplies are still available upon request. +

Gluten-free wafers and/or white grape juice are available at all services.

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PRELUDE

BELL

CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

ELW 382

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head! Sing His praises! Allelluia! Christ is risen from the dead!

WELCOME

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done Vs 1, 3, & 5

ELW 366

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the victor's triumph won! Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!

The three sad days have quickly sped, Christ rises glorious from the dead. All glory to our risen head! Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes that wounded you, from death's sting free your servants too, that we may live and sing to you. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Text: Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832-1909

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

And also with you.

KYRIE ELW p. 98



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection 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.

FIRST READING Acts 3:12-19

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 4

- ¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- ²"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"
- ³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.
- ⁴Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- ⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.
- ⁶Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?" Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.
- ⁷You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine

abound.

8In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.

SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-7

¹See what love the Father has given 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. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

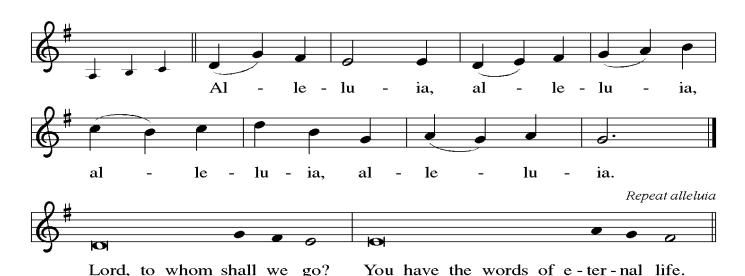
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW pg. 102



The holy gospel according to Luke the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 24:36b-48

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

I know that my Redeemer Lives VS 1-4

ELW 619

I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my ever-living head!

He lives triumphant from the grave; he lives eternally to save; he lives exalted, throned above; he lives to rule his church in love.

He lives to grant me rich supply; he lives to guide me with his eye; he lives to comfort me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's complaint. He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe away my tears; he lives to calm my troubled heart; he lives all blessings to impart.

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.

HOLY BAPTISM

This morning, we welcome Harper Anne Reinarz into the holy Christian Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. As fellow children of God, we rejoice with this new sister. The parents of Harper are Christian Reinarz and Kara Reinarz, and her sponsors are Brent and Deborah Reeder.

(Congregation will reply when prompted)

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given

honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

BAPTISM

Harper Anne Reinarz, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Harper Anne Reinarz with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Harper Anne Reinarz child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

WELCOME

Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

OFFERING Ways to digitally give:

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SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OFFERTORY HYMN I know that my Redeemer Lives ELW 619

He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.

He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!

He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.

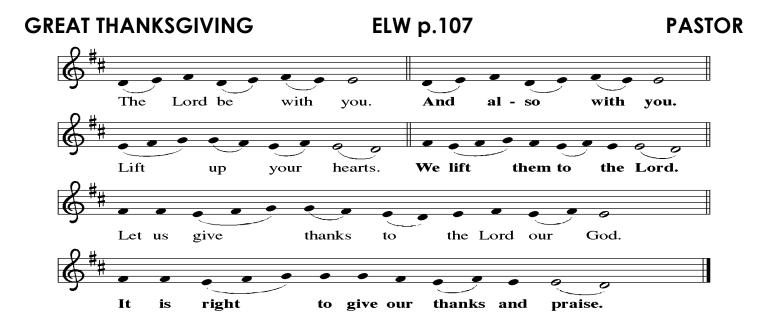
He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

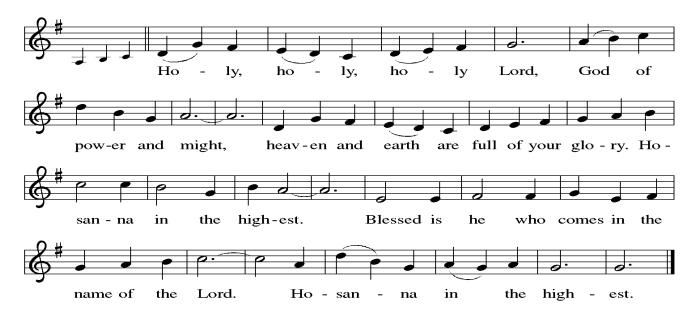
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OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen.**





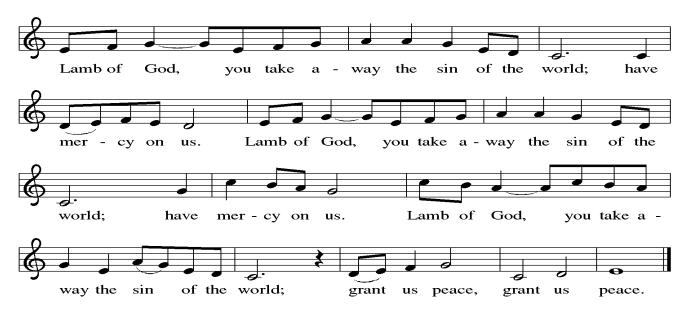
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD ELW pg 112



Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our king: heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our king: one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our king: born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praise we sing.

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My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

ELW 597

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone,

redeemed to stand before the throne!

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.

Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue

ELW 644

Although I speak with angel's tongue, my faith, my knowledge all surpass, but have no love, my gifts are vain as clanging gong or blaring brass.

For love is patient, love is kind, and never vain with boasting pride; love bears all things, all things endures. All things must end; love will abide.

For now we peer at darkened glass; our visions end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now see: then we will see love face to face.

The gifts are many, the Body one, and into one are all baptized.

Beloved, share one heart, one mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

Text: Andrew Donaldson, b.1951 Text © 1995 Andrew Donaldson.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God,

you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope \pm bless you now and always. **Amen.**

TEMPLE TALK

Katherine Evans with Upbring

CLOSING HYMN

Thine Is the Glory

ELW 376

Vs 1 & 2

Thine is the glory,

risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry
thou o'er death hast won!
Angels in bright raiment
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where thy body lay.

Thine is the glory,
risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry
thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb!
Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom; let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting!

Thine is the glory,
risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry
thou o'er death hast won!
Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875-1939

GOOD NEWS

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA GIVE THANKS

Alleluia, Alleluia give thanks to the Risen Lord Alleluia, Alleiluia, give praise to His name

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God**.

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Assisting Minister – Jean Gifford Altar Guild – The Hansen Family

Greeters – Steve & Jane Dunnigan Chapel Greeter – Roselind Wieland & Dorothy Warren

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Traditional Worship 8:00 am,
Sanctuary

ALL Ages Sunday School 9:15 am

Contemporary Service 10:30 am, Parish Hall

1st Sunday of the Month
Parish Ed Meeting, 11:30a in
the Conference Room
3rd Sunday of the Month
Food Pantry Distribution,
12-20

MONDAY

Youth, 6p Youth Room 2nd Monday of the Month Justice Ministry, 7p Zoom.

TUESDAY

<u>1st Tuesday of the Month</u> Elizabeth Circle, 2p Gather Room

Rebecca Circle, 10a Grow Room

Mary Circle, 10a Parlor

2nd Tuesday of the Month Stewardship Committee, 5p Gather Room/Zoom Music & Worship Meeting 7p Long Range Committee Meeting, 7p

WEDNESDAY

Sotaria, 7p Parish Hall

2nd Wednesday of the Month

Tired and Retired, 11:30a
Parish Hall.

ILDS Board Meeting 6:10 p,
Conference Room

3rd Wednesday of the Month
Men's Breakfast, 6:30a
Parish Hall

Quilters, 8:30a WELCA Room

THURSDAY

Bible Study with Pastor Matthew, 11a Gather Room & 4:45p via Zoom

SATURDAY

<u>2nd Saturday of the Month</u> Prayer Shawl Ministry, 9a Gather Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

150TH LUNCHEON TICKETS ARE ON SALE

Via the Church Office or on Realm. When buying multiple please include individual names for each ticket. **GET YOUR TICKETS BY MAY 5**TH **BEFORE THE PRICE GOES UP TO \$20 PER TICKET**



FIESTA DINNER TICKETS

The Youtherans will be serving Fajitas for lunch after the 10:30 AM service on April 14. \$10 Adults // \$5 Kids. All donations will go toward the youth gathering this summer!

ILC SHIRTS

Sizes YM, YL, & Adult S-XXL size \$10 each 3XL and up \$12 each. Get yours before the deadline of April 21st. Payment accepted: cash, check, or Venmo. See Melissa Malinowski for more info or email her at lovemysweetgirls@att.net

DISASTER BUCKET COLLECTION

For this year's synod assembly, we are assembling "Disaster Buckets" we were asked to collect Scouring Pads & Assorted Size Sponges. Collection location: Box under the TV by Church Offices by May 1st. Thank you for your help!

We Lift These Names Up In Prayer

Sandra Noton, Virginia Weiss, Wilbert & Billie Becker, Judy
Tawater, Betty Wolf, Gail Hammett, LaVerne Scott, Betty
Wicklund, Hal Kuempel, Gloria Allmon, Nathzele Pfluger, Robert
Boehm, Mary Hufstedler, John Estes, Aaron Eschberger, Melanie
Hudson, Diana Barkley, Joanne Johnson Hurley, Susan Moore,
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Scott, The Family of Lowell Bloemker