

MAY
RIGHTEOUSNESS
FLOURISH
AND
PEACE
ABOUND.

PSALM 72:7, NRSV

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 148:1-14

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
Praise Him in the heights! 2 Praise Him, all His angels;
Praise Him, all His hosts! 3 Praise Him, sun and moon;
Praise Him, all you stars of light! 4 Praise Him, you
heavens of heavens, And you waters above the heavens!
5 Let them praise the name of the LORD, For He
commanded and they were created. 6 He also established
them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not
pass away. 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, You great
sea creatures and all the depths; 8 Fire and hail, snow and
clouds; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word; 9 Mountains
and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars; 10 Beasts and
all cattle; Creeping things and flying fowl; 11 Kings of the
earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth;
12 Both young men and maidens; Old men and children.
13 Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name
alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven. 14
And He has exalted the horn of His people, The praise of
all His saints -- Of the children of Israel, A people near to
Him. Praise the LORD!

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Speakers: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Services are streamed live to the
TV in the kitchen (channel 4).

Hymn 298 (MFH pg 114) — Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love
of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you.
- C And Also with you.

- P Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:
- C Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.
- P In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this little child to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

BAPTISM OF HAYLIE ANN DENSON

- P Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that this child may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.
- C **Yes, as God gives me strength.**
- P Let us pray: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with

special favor on Haylie Ann Denson and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C Amen

CONFIRMATION OF KRISTINA KRUEGER

P Let Us Pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing Kristina to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling her both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, she may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

SERVICE OF THE WORD

P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Hymn WS 799:1,2,5 (MFH pg 110) — This is the Feast

C  Refrain:

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.

(Refrain)

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
And honor, blessing, and glory are His.

(Refrain)

Blessing, honor, and glory, and might be to God
and the Lamb forever. Amen

(Final Refrain)

P The Lord be with you.

C  And also with you.

P Let us pray . . . Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through Jesus Christ your son, our Lord, who lives, and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and forever.

C  A-men.

THE WORD

Acts 4:32-35 Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common. And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all. Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, and laid them at the apostles' feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need.

1 John 1:1 - 2:2 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we

have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life -- 2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us -- that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full. This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!

C  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into
hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He
ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty. From there He will
come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian
Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness
of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life
everlasting. Amen.


Hymn 199 (MFH pg 72) —
Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!

SERMON

John 20:19-31 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.” And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. “If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, “We have seen the Lord.” So he said to them, “Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe.” And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace to you!” Then He said to Thomas, “Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My


side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.” And Thomas answered and said to Him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

GO IN THE PEACE OF FORGIVENESS

C  Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Your presence,
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation,
and uphold me with Your free Spirit.

Hymn 208:1-7 — Ye Sons and Daughters of the King

OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 441 VS. 1-2

C  We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our first fruits give!

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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.

THE BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you
and give you peace.

C  A-men A-men A-men.

Hymn 208:8-10 — Ye Sons and Daughters of the King

Calendar

THIS WEEK

Sunday 4/8

9am Service
10am Sunday School
10:15am Bible Class (In the Sanctuary)

Tuesday 4/10

6:30pm Stain glass meeting
7pm Elders Meeting
7:30 Council Meeting

Wednesday 4/11

4pm Confirmation Class

Thursday 4/12

10:30 Bible Class

Sunday 4/15

9am Service
10am Sunday School
10:15am Bible Class
5pm Faith Alive

UPCOMING

April 19th – Voter’s Meeting

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week: Team #6:
Tim Gabrielski, David Draeger
Next Week: Team #1:
Dale Muehlenhaupt, Troy Cotterill

APRIL USHERS

Paul Eserhut, Randy Strelow, Wayne Draeger, David Draeger

FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: 71 / 58
General Fund: \$4099
School: \$100

MEMORIALS:

\$25 Gary Flagel – General Fund
\$25 Gary Flagel – Stain Glass

CALL NEWS

Professor Paul Schaller has announced his retirement from the full time public ministry effective at the end of the 2018-19 academic year.

GUEST AND VISITORS

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.



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