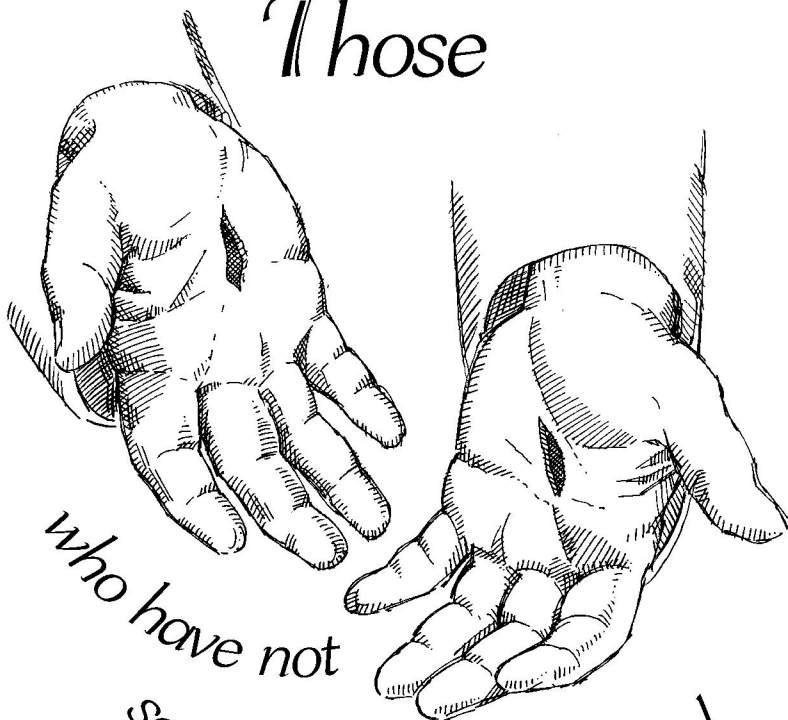


*Blessed
are
Those*



*who have not
seen and yet have believed.*

John 20:29

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER MISERICORDIAS DOMINI

April 23, 2017 | Pastor Matthew Ude | Organist: Barry Hay

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 148

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord from the heavens;
Praise Him in the heights!
Praise Him, all His angels;
Praise Him, all His hosts!
Praise Him, sun and moon;
Praise Him, all you stars of light!
Praise Him, you heavens of heavens,
And you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the Lord,
For He commanded and they were created.
He also established them forever and ever;
He made a decree which shall not pass away.
Praise the Lord from the earth,
You great sea creatures and all the depths;
Fire and hail, snow and clouds;
Stormy wind, fulfilling His word;
Mountains and all hills;
Fruitful trees and all cedars;
Beasts and all cattle;
Creeping things and flying fowl;
Kings of the earth and all peoples;
Princes and all judges of the earth;
Both young men and maidens;
Old men and children.
Let them praise the name of the Lord,
For His name alone is exalted;
His glory is above the earth and heaven.
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 THE WORD

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Hymn 203 – Morning Breaks Upon the Tomb

GREETING

p He is not here; for He is risen

c He is risen, as He said.

INVOCATION

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

c  A-men.


CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God the Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

all Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

c  A-men.

c  Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to all people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

p Let us pray. God who by the humiliation of Your
Son did raise up the fallen world, grant unto Your
faithful ones perpetual gladness, and give eternal joy
to those whom You have delivered from the danger
of everlasting death; through Jesus Christ your son,
our Lord, who lives, and reigns with You and the
Holy Ghost, one God, forevermore.

c  A-men.

THE WORD

Acts 5:29-42 But Peter and the other apostles answered and said: “We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.”

When they heard this, they were furious and plotted to kill them. Then one in the council stood up, a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in respect by all the people, and commanded them to put the apostles outside for a little while. And he said to them: “Men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what you intend to do regarding these men. For some time ago Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody. A number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was slain, and all who obeyed him were scattered and came to nothing. After this man, Judas of Galilee rose up in the days of the census, and drew away many people after him. He also perished, and all who obeyed him were dispersed. And now I say to you, keep

away from these men and let them alone; for if this plan or this work is of men, it will come to nothing; but if it is of God, you cannot overthrow it—lest you even be found to fight against God.”

And they agreed with him, and when they had called for the apostles and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

1 Peter 1:3-9 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than

gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

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

c  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
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.

Children's Hymn – I Will Rise

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. The Lord prepares all things that we may have life

THE RISEN LORD SENDS US TO ANNOUNCE FORGIVENESS

Pastor Matthew Ude

Thomas doubted at first but later he confessed, “My Lord and My God.” He made this confession with his whole life. He traveled to the far reaches of India to do the one thing that Christ told him to do, announce the forgiveness of sins.



Sermon Notes:

- c  Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your free Spirit.

Hymn 208:1,2,6,7,9 – Ye Sons and Daughters of the King

OFFERING

Offering Hymn: 441 vs. 1-2

-  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 730 – Now Let the Heavens be Joyful

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Calendar:

TODAY 4/24

9 am Worship Service

Sunday School and Bible Class following the service

5 pm Faith Alive Meeting (Float Planning)

MONDAY 4/25

6 pm Basketball in the Gym

7 pm Monday Night Worship Service

TUESDAY 4/26

6:30 pm Faith Alive Bible Class

WEDNESDAY 4/27

4 pm Confirmation Class

THURSDAY 4/28

10:30 am Faith Alive Bible Class

SUNDAY 4/29

9 am Worship Service with communion

Sunday School and Bible Class following the service

FRUITS OF FAITH MARCH 26TH

Attendance: 83 / 68

General Fund: \$4186

Mission Fund: \$705

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week: Team #6:
Kent Quade, Jim Kok

Next Week: Team #1:
Dennis Jones, Jeff Jones

APRIL USHERS:

Sundays, Maunday Thursday, and Early Easter Service: Gary Brown, Russ Brown, Jim Hanneman, Jacob Kearns

April 5th, Good Friday, Late Easter Service, and April 24th: Martin Hansen, Randy Strelow, Dave Schwandt, Evan Schwandt

MAY USHERS:

Sundays: Dave Dillie, Paul Eserhut, Kent Quade, Drew Muehlenhaupt

Mondays and the 25th: Greg Jones, Bob Kirst, Matt Dumke, Joe Brown

Announcements:

GUESTS AND VISITORS

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today and return to worship with us often.

FAITH ALIVE

A faith alive has a meeting scheduled for tonight April 23 to:

1. Finish the bulletin board if it hasn't been finished yet
2. Begin planning on a float for the parade.

We were thinking of making the float match the VBS lessons for the summer. The VBS theme is "All Power in Heaven and Earth." The lessons will be 1) Still-

ing of the storm/Power to Protect 2) Feeding of the 5,000/Power to Provide 3) Healing of the blind man/Power to Heal 4) Raising of Lazarus/Power over Death 5) Curing of the Demoniac/Power over Satan. Bring ideas to the meeting.

ROSS KOK

Ross Kok has received the call to Faith Lutheran Markesan, as principal and middle grades teacher.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM VOTERS MEETINGS

Attendance 12

Martin Hansen's birthday

Delegate conference is June 5th and 6th in Coloma MI. The church is looking for two volunteers (voting members) to attend along with the teachers and pastor.

Parker Kohn and Gabe Henke were accepted into membership conditional upon their upcoming confirmation

Interest was expressed in a church camping outing (Faith Alive will be planning this)

The voters agreed to buy the shed behind the teacherage from the Carstens. The shed will remain where it is as storage for the next teacher.

UPCOMING DATES:

May 21st is confirmation Sunday

May 24th to May 31st pastor will be gone.

May 25th is Ascension, Faith Lutheran will be having a lay service @ 7pm

May 26th Last Day of School

May 28th Stefan Sonnenfeld will be the guest preacher

June 5,6 Delegates Conference

June 13-15 CLC General Pastoral Conference

June 15 – 18 Arise and Shine

July 18 – 24 CLC youth camp at ILC

July 7 – 10 Lower Michigan Youth Camp

July 24 – 28 VBS here at Faith, we are looking for volunteers for teaching, arts and crafts, singing, and recess. A sign up sheet will be put up on the bulletin board soon.

July 25 – 27 Ark Encounter / Creation Museum Visit

No Monday night services on Memorial day, Labor day, or the day after Reformation Sunday

SCHOOL CLEANING

Help is needed for weekly school cleanings. The church pays \$10 per hour and it takes one person about 5 to 6 hours per week. If you are interested in helping out even if it is only one week a month, contact Marsha Brown @ (920) 570-1076

MONDAY NIGHT SERVICES

This Monday (on April 24th) we will resume our Monday night services @ 7pm.

CALL NEWS

Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called the Rev. Matthew Hanel, pastor of St. Matthew Lutheran, Dallas TX, to serve as pastor.

Mr. Benjamin Hanel has accepted the call to teach Social Studies at Immanuel's school.



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Thank you for worshipping with us today. We pray the message of our Savior's suffering; death and resurrection will lead you to see by the Spirit, that Jesus is the only way to salvation and eternal life.

Please come and worship the Savior with us again and sign our guest register as you leave today!

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