



Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars.

Psalm 148:3

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry
as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

Speakers:

Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists:

Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Liturgy:

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large print bulletins available, ask the ushers

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

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 148

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 THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Hymn 198 — He's Risen, He's Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord

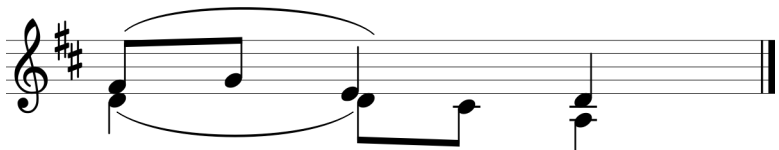
EASTER GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

INVOCATION

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



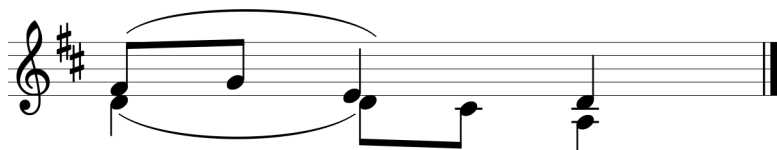
C A - men.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P Beloved of God: 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.



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men.

THIS IS THE FEAST (MFH pg. 110)



C This is the feast of victory for our God.



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



1. — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
- 11 5. For the Lamb — who was



- slain, whose blood set us free
 strength, and hon - or, bless -
 God, and join in the hymn of
 might be to God and the Lamb for -
 14 slain has be - gun His reign.



to be peo - ple of God. *refrain*
 ing, and glo - ry are His. *refrain*
 all cre - a - tion: *stanza 4*
 ev - er. A - men. *refrain*
 Al - le - lu - ia. *final refrain*

17 Final Refrain



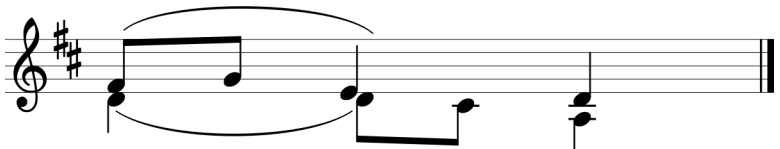
This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

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

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 Spirit, one God, forevermore.



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A - men.

THE WORD

Revelation 1:4-18 John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, 6 and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. 8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” 9 I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, 11 saying, “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last,” and, “What you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches which are in Asia: to

Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Phila-delphia, and to Laodicea.” 12 Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. 14 His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; 15 His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters; 16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength. 17 And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, “Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. 18 “I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.



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.” 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.” 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 “If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” 24 Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 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.” 26 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!” 27 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.” 28 And Thomas answered and

said to Him, “My Lord and my God!” 29 Jesus said to him, “Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” 30 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 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.

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

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Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

These words are written that we may believe that

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

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

THE NICENE CREED

C 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 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.

Hymn 208:1-4,9,10 — Ye Sons and Daughters of the King



SERMON

Acts 5:12-20 And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. 13 Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. 14 And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, 15 so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. 16 Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed. 17 Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, 18 and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison. 19 But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, 20 "Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life."

Pray That We May Be Filled With the Holy Spirit

There is much to be jealous of in Luke's description of the first church in Jerusalem: their love, their unity, their boldness of faith. But it is not the superficial that will make us like them, such as liturgy, music, instruments and buildings. It is when we are filled with the Holy Spirit that we are renewed in the joy of the resurrection of our Lord. It is the Holy Spirit that gives the boldness to proclaim the truth of His Word. These are the things that can return us to the likeness of the first church.

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Cre - ate in me a



clean heart, O God. Re - new a right



spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Your presence; take not Your Ho-ly



Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of



Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free



Spir - it.

Hymn LSB 479 — Christ is Living, Christ Is Risen



1. Christ is ris - en, Christ is liv - ing, Dry, your
2. If the Lord had nev - er ris - en, We'd have
3. Death has lost its old do - min - ion, Let the



tears, be un - a - fraid! Death and dark - ness could not
noth - ing to be - lieve. But His prom - ise can be
world re - joice and shout! Christ, the first - born of the



hold Him, Nor the tomb in which He lay. do not
trust - ed: "You will live, be - cause I live." As we
liv - ing. Gives us life and leads us out. Let us



look a - mong the dead for One who lives for - ev - er -
share the death of Ad - am, So in Christ we live a -
thank our God, who caus - es Hope to spring up from the



more; Tell the world that Christ is ris - en, Make it
gain; Death has lost its sting and ter - ror, Christ the
ground; Christ is ri - sen, Christ is giv - ing Life e -



known He goes be - fore.
Lord has come to reign.
ter - nal life pro - found.

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OFFERING, PRAYERS & 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.

SERVICE OF SACRAMENT

P The Lord be with you.


C  And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C  We lift them up to the Lord

P It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and 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, Peter, 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:

C  Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this,

whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C  Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us Your peace.


THE DISTRIBUTION

Distribution Hymn: 206

We ask that only members of Faith Lutheran Church or the CLC come forward to receive the Lord’s Supper. Visitors are welcome to speak to the pastor after the service.

Allergy free wafers are available to the first table.

THANKSGIVING

C  Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Thank the Lord; Sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what He has done.

Send us with Your promises, Lord; lead Your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what He has done. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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 210 — The Strife is O'er, The Battle Done

Announcements

THIS WEEK

Sunday 4/28

9am Communion Service

10am Sunday School

10am Adult Choir

10:15am Bible Class

5pm Faith Alive

Wednesday 5/1

4pm Confirmation Class

Thursday 5/2

10:30 am Bible Class

Sunday 5/5

9am Worship Service

10am Sunday School

10am Adult Choir

10:15am Bible Class

Monday 5/6

5pm Monday Night Bible Class

UPCOMING

April 28th - Faith Alive

May 5th - Children's Choir Concert

May 6th - Preschool preview

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week: Team #3: Lynn Dumke

Next Week: Team #4: Russ Den-
son, Gary Quade

APRIL SUNDAY USHERS

Paul Eserhut, Jim Brown, Wayne
Draeger, David Draeger

MAY SUNDAY (AND ASCENSION) USHERS

John Bobek, Martin Hansen,
David Dillie, Joe Brown

FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance:

Maundy Thursday 50

Good Friday 54

Sunrise Service 71

Late Service 71

Numbers below reflect
sum total for all week.

General: \$6338

Missions: \$860

School: \$100

LAWN MOWING

Lawn mowing signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

PIZZA SALE

Faith Markesan basketball team is selling pizzas. There is a form to sign up on the bulletin board. Payment can be left in Abby Quade's box. Deadline is April 29th.

PRESCHOOL PREVIEW

It is time to start lining things up for next year. If you have or know of any pre-school aged children for next year, please contact Lisa Reyes (920-229-9322) and plan to attend the Pre-School Preview Day on Monday, May 6th.

END OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

Faith students will be presenting an end of the year concert of sacred music on the afternoon of Sunday, May 5th. Please save this date on your calendars.

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

\$10,946 - School Checking account
\$54,461 - 1st QTR Income
\$54,223 - 1st QTR Expenses
\$9,336 - End of QTR Balance
\$12,000 - End of QTR debts
The voters called for a graduate to serve as principal / teacher
We discussed calling a third teacher
\$390 was approved for OneLicense license
Summer Church Calendar was accepted
We discussed Easter service times for next year



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