

Welcome to Anchorage Lutheran Church



The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Festival Service

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GATHERING

Welcome

Opening Song

Death Was Arrested

Baptism

Jaydin Don McCue-Cruz

Sponsors: Don Raney & Vicki Spry

Call to Worship

Apostles Creed

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 14:10-15:1

Songs

Glorious Day

He Reigns

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12-19

Song

Because He Lives (Amen)

THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution

Congregants place flowers on the cross as they come forward for communion.

Songs

Forever

Ain't No Grave

Dismissal and Prayer

Children's Message

THE WORD

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:1-10

Message

"Salvation Made Visible" - Pastor Tony Schultz

SENDING

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song

God's Not Dead (Like a Lion)

Sending Words

P: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

Our Calling

We exist as a ministry because of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. As Christians, we seek to know Him and understand His purpose in our lives through the study of God's Holy Word, frequent worship, and reception of the Lord's Supper.

We strive to share the Good News of Christ's victory over death through proclamation in our worship services, Christian education programs in our community, and support of missions in Alaska, the Pacific Northwest and the World.

We seek to live as God's children, open to the leading of the Holy Spirit by witness and discipleship of Christ Jesus through the use of our time, talent, and treasures.

The Lord's Supper: The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. We celebrate this meal often in remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice. Baptized adult Christians, understanding and seeking the mystery of this Holy Meal-the nourishing forgiveness and Real Presence of Christ-are invited to participate.

Should you come to the altar and wish not to receive this sacrament, please cross your arms to receive a blessing.

Children who have not yet been confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing.

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 14:10-15:1

¹⁰ When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the LORD. ¹¹ They said to Moses, "Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? ¹² Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: 'Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." ¹³ And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. ¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent." ¹⁵ The LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward. ¹⁶ Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. ¹⁷ And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. ¹⁸ And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen." ¹⁹ Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, ²⁰ coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night ^[a] without one coming near the other all night. ²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. ²² And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ²³ The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. ²⁴ And in the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, ²⁵ clogging ^[b] their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians." ²⁶ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." ²⁷ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the LORD threw ^[c] the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. ²⁸ The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. ²⁹ But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ³⁰ Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. ³¹ Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in His servant Moses.

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12-19

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope ^[a] in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 28:1-10

¹ Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He ^[a] lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you." ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."



Those Who Need Our Ongoing Prayers

Rose Diekelman, Jody Quinn, Carolyn Shepard, Christine Gill, Tabi (granddaughter of Karen Loeffler-Quintieri and Michael Quintieri)

Comfort, Health, Recovery

Gerd Krause; Tonya (Rick Funner's niece); Anna (Donna Dean's daughter); Norma Huseman; Forest Taylor; Matt Newton; Liz Millikan; Ann McCoy; Janet (Sherry Hartung's sister); Tina (Rick Funner's sister); Tom Ondra (friend of Stefanie Busch); Ed & Cathy Rasmuson (friends of C. John & Lynn Ann Eng); Ruth Erdman (niece of Arlene Raney); Liz Gellerman (mother of Scott Gellerman); (friends of Jan & Doug Schroeder): Cathy Johnson, Phil Barnes, Ken & Diana Rowedder, Ron Norris; Eric McCoy; Sarah Gazurian (Tamara McCoy's sister); Jason Restad (Tamara McCoy's uncle); Mackenzie Hartung (niece of Sherry Hartung); Joel Stratman; Doug Schroeder; Keith McGranahan; Jerome Dodge.

Prayers of Celebration: Stefanie & Matt's 20th Wedding Anniversary!

HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!



Opportunity to Thank

Ushers: Doug & Jan Schroeder

Flowers: **Stefanie Busch** - in honor of 20th Wedding Anniversary
George & Carol Rakos - in honor of Stefanie & Matt's 20th Wedding Anniversary



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