APRIL 16, 2023 | *The Second Sunday of Easter*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

Jesus lives to give me proof and peace. Thomas doubted the resurrection of Christ. Yet Jesus does not come to rebuke Thomas' weak faith, but to strengthen it by giving Thomas the proof He sought, letting him touch His wounds. Today, Jesus speaks to His disciples in His Word and lets us partake of His true body and blood in the Sacrament. When we are weak, the living Lord does not reject us; He gives us the proof and peace that we need.

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today (the red binder in the front of church). If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with Pastor Van Kampen.

If you have small children, please note that there is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child. From the Parents' Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today's order of service is printed on the following pages.

Holy Communion: We hold to the ancient, biblical practice of "close communion," communing only confirmed members of our church or churches of our fellowship (ELS and WELS). Guests, please speak with the pastor prior to the service if you wish to commune. Thank you for your courteous respect of our beliefs and practices.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister Sunday: Rev. S. Piet Van Kampen; Monday Night: Rev. Roy Rose, P. Em.

Organist Deb Meyer

Elder on Duty Sunday: Dan Lindquist; Monday Night: Rod Meves

Ushers on Duty Joseph Massie, Joseph Massie, Jr., James Van Kampen

Altar Guild Donna Carter & Linda Koch

The Order of the Holy Communion

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

He's Risen, He's Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord | 198

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

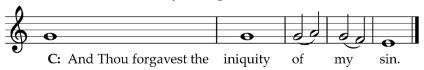


M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.



C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

M: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



You may be seated.

THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

1 Peter 2:2; Psalm 81:1, 8

M: As newborn babes desire the pure milk of the Word. Alleluia! Hear, O My people, and I will admonish you, O Israel, if you would listen to Me! Sing aloud to God, our strength, make a joyful shout to the God of Jacob.

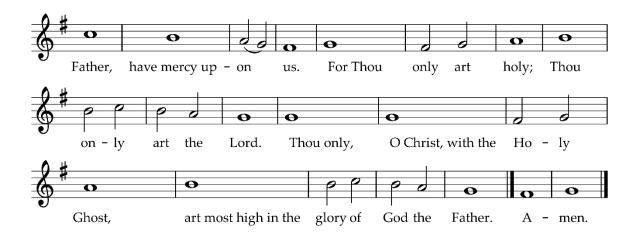




GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

Luke 2:14





THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



Please stand.

M: Let us pray: O risen Lord, You came to Your disciples and took away their fears with Your Word of peace. Come to us also by Your Word and Sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of Your abiding presence; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: ACTS 2:14a, 22-32 *God has raised Jesus according to the Scriptures.*

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them... ²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know — ²³ "Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; ²⁴ "whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. ²⁵ "For David says concerning Him:

'I foresaw the LORD always before my face,

For He is at my right hand, that I may not be shaken.

²⁶ Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad;

Moreover my flesh also will rest in hope.

²⁷ For You will not leave my soul in Hades,

Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life;

You will make me full of joy in Your presence.'

²⁹ "Men and brethren, let me speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ "Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne, ³¹ "he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption. ³² "This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.

SECOND LESSON: 1 PETER 1:3-9New birth into a living hope in the risen Christ.

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, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ 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, ⁸ whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, ⁹ receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

GRADUAL John 20:29b

M: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.



Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: JOHN 20:19-31

Jesus appears to His disciples and to Thomas.



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.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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.

You may be seated.

HYMN

Please stand for the singing of the final stanza.

SERMON

Sunday – 1 Peter 1:3-9

Monday Night – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, 11

Praise God for Our Living Hope in Christ

Ye Sons and Daughters of the King | 208

- 1. The hope of forgiveness for sinners.
- 2. The hope of an everlasting inheritance.
 - 3. The hope of joy under trials.

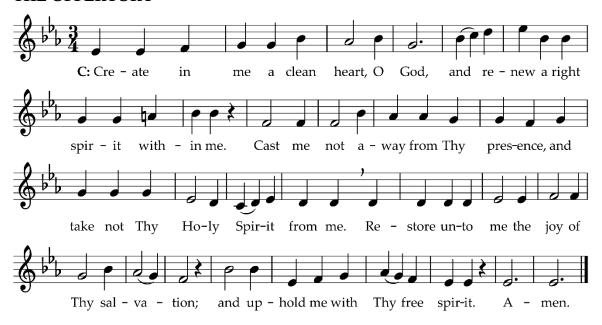
A Savior for all Seasons

- 1. Through all the changing times of life on this earth.
- 2. We trust and follow our Risen Savior toward heaven.

Please stand.

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THE OFFERTORY



You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR EASTER

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

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THE PREFACES & THE SANCTUS ("HOLY, HOLY, HOLY")

M: The Lord be with you.

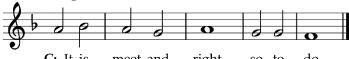


M: Lift up your hearts.



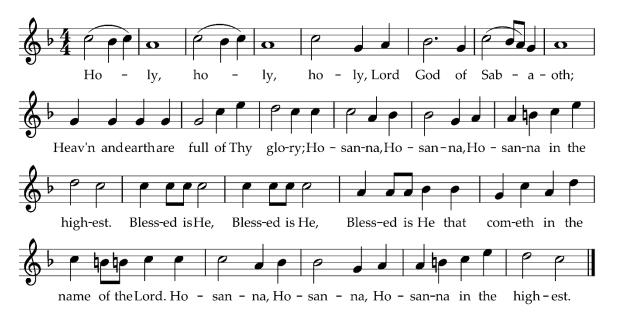
C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



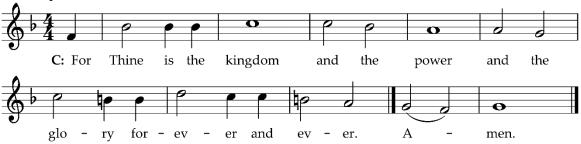
C: It is meet and right so to do.

M: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; but chiefly are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By His death He has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

M: 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.



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

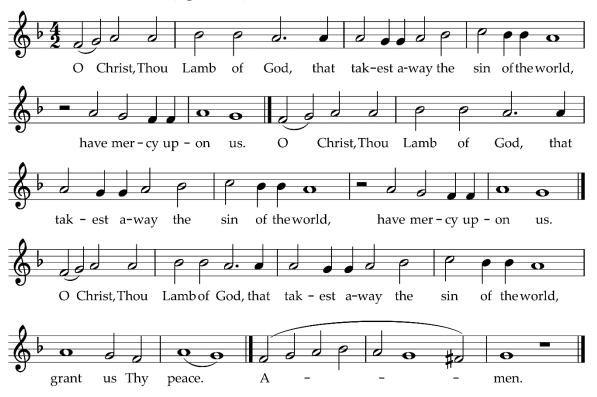
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



THE LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



You may be seated.

THE DISTRIBUTION

During the distribution of the sacrament, communicants may come forward at the direction of the ushers.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense | 206

THE NUNC DIMITTIS ("Now Dismiss")



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



M: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through them in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us bless the Lord.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord lift up His gountenense upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

Morning Breaks Upon the Tomb | **203**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS - If you'd like to donate altar flowers for one of our worship services, please sign up and find details on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP SNACKS – Thanks to the Kitchen Committee for serving treats today. If you'd like to serve treats on Sunday mornings, please sign up in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

QUARTERLY REPORTS/MEETINGS – Our quarterly congregational and voters meeting is Sunday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m. (after the worship service). All members are welcome to come; all voters are especially encouraged to attend.

THANKS to Pastor Rose for conducting the Monday Night Service. Pastor Van Kampen will be away at the Great Lakes Pastoral Conference in Hillman, Michigan through Wednesday evening.

"CREATED" — LYA 2023 — The 2023 LYA Youth Convention will be held at Bethany Lutheran College from Thursday, July 27 — Sunday, July 30. Early Registration is February 15-June 1 at a cost of \$250/person. Late registration (after June 1) will cost \$300/person. Open to confirmed youth. If interested, talk to Pastor Van Kampen

"HELLO, SUNSHINE!"—CAMP RISE 2023 – Camp Rise is an ELS-sponsored youth camp for those who have completed grades 4-9. Where? Camp Luwisomo, Wild Rose, Wisconsin. When? July 9-14. Cost? \$390 if registered by April 15 (Save \$30!); \$420 if registered by May 15. Enjoy Bible study, swimming, boating, crafts, group activities, campfire singing, and more! Find more details and register at www.CampRise.org or email Pastor Abrahamson at pastor.abrahamson@abidingshepherd.org for more information. (Scholarship funds are available; contact Pastor Abrahamson for more details.)

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY (4/16) Divine Service w/Holy Comm., 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School, 10:20 a.m.
Quarterly Cong. & Voters Meetings, 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY Pastor departs for GLPC

No Conf. Class

Divine Service w/Holy Comm., 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY No Bible Class
WEDNESDAY No Emerald Bay Service

SUNDAY (4/23) Divine Service, 9:00 a.m. Education Hour, 10:20 a.m.

OUR MISSION

Christ the King Ev. Lutheran
Church gives all praise
and thanks to the Triune
God for His grace received
through Word and
Sacrament by sharing the
saving Gospel of Christ
with the people of this
community and the world.