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Easter

April 4, 2021

Welcome: We are glad that you are here or are watching our worship service online. May you be blessed through this time of worship. We pray you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. For those worshipping in person please take time to register your attendance using the slips in the pew rack. These can be placed in the offering plates by the door as you exit.

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our prayers during worship, please call the pastor or church office or write down the request and give it to the pastor.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith, which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

Lectionary Summary: O come, let us *“sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously”* (Ex. 15:1). By His cross, He has shattered the enemy, crushing sin and death beneath His feet; in His resurrection, He has brought us out of Egypt into the freedom of the Gospel. He has called us out of darkness into light, and led us from confusion, fear and weeping into the joy and gladness of His resurrection. He is our strength and our song, and He has become our salvation (Ex. 15:2). Thus, do we hear and respond to His voice of the Gospel, as He calls each of us by name. We enter His tomb by our Baptism into His death, and just as surely as He has risen, so we also *“must rise from the dead”* (John 20:9). *“Let us therefore celebrate the festival”* (1 Cor. 5:8), not in the revelry of self-indulgence or in the debauchery of lust, but in sincere faith and genuine love. For *“Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed”* (1 Cor. 5:7). He has thereby set us free from sin and death, and now He feeds us with Himself unto life everlasting.

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR EASTER DAY
DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 1 P. 151
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA
APRIL 4, 2021 7:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

RINGING OF THE BELL

♪ **OPENING HYMN: “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”** *LSB 457*

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav’nly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**
- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He’s king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

Stand

**Δ4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav’nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

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

Ⓢ Amen.

Ⓟ Christ is risen!

Ⓢ He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Ⓟ He was delivered over to death for our sins.

Ⓢ And was raised to life for our justification.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Ⓟ Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Ⓢ Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

♪ **ENTRANCE HYMN: “Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”**

LSB 477 sts. 1, 3

1 Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav’n and voices raise:
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
He who on the cross a victim For the world’s salvation bled—
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.

3 Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high:
Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

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LSB 152

KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **C** Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **C** Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **C** Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **C** Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

♪ **C** Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: “This Is the Feast”

LSB 155

♪ **C** 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.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

✪C **And also with you.**

P Almighty God the Father, through Your only begotten Son Jesus Christ You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

✪C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 15:1-11

¹Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying, "I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. ²The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. ³The LORD is a man of war; the LORD is his name. ⁴"Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. ⁵The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. ⁶Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy. ⁷In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble. ⁸At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. ⁹The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.' ¹⁰You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters. ¹¹"Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?"

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

♪HYMN OF RESPONSE: “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”

LSB 487 vs. 1-2

- 1** Come, you faithful, raise the strain Of triumphant gladness!
God has brought His Israel Into joy from sadness,
Loosed from Pharaoh’s bitter yoke Jacob’s sons and daughters,
Led them with unmoistened foot Through the Red Sea waters.
- 2** ’Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst His prison
And from three days’ sleep in death As a sun has risen;
All the winter of our sins, Long and dark, is flying
From His light, to whom is giv’n Laud and praise undying.

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EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

♪Hymn of Response: “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen” LSB 474 v. 1

- 1** Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!
Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

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HOLY GOSPEL READING

John 20:1–18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

♫C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes. ¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹²And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♫C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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 the 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.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (*Children over three are encouraged to wear masks when coming forward for the children's message.*)

♪ **SERMON HYMN: "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"** *LSB 465*

- 1** Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds:
 "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
 Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here:
 "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2** Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
 "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
 Now still He comes to give us life And by His presence stills all strife.
 Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3** O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above
 That we conquer through Your triumph;
 Grant grace sufficient for life's day That by our lives we truly say:
 "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Stand

**Δ4 Adoring praises now we bring And with the heavn'ly blessed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father and our Lord, To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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SERMON: "Why are you crying?"

Pastor Buchhorn

♪ Offertory Hymn: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing" *LSB 475 sts. 1–2*

**1 Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;
Let all the world rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PREFACE

LSB 160

☐ The Lord be with you.

♪☐ **And also with you.**

☐ Lift up your hearts.

♪☐ **We lift them to the Lord.**

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

♪☐ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

☐ 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. 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 Magdalene, Peter and 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:

SANCTUS

LSB 161

- ♫C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** 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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 162

PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- ♫C** Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

- ♫C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

♪“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

LSB 461

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul’s complaint.
- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav’nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I’ll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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♪“At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing”

LSB 633 sts. 1-7

- 1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His piercèd side. Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast— Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured, Death’s dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel’s hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!

- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above. Alleluia!**
- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!**
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!**
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!**

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord"

LSB 164

- ♪C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- ♪C Amen.**

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- ♪C Amen.**

Sit

♪ **CLOSING HYMN: “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia”**

LSB 463

- 1 Christ the Lord is ris’n today; Alleluia!
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!
At the paschal victim’s feet. Alleluia!**

- 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!
Sinless in the sinner’s stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!**

- 3 Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia!
Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!**

- 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!
All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!**

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NEWS AND NOTES

WE REJOICE with the following members of Grace who are celebrating this week.

BIRTHDAYS: Laura Mitchell, Amanda Broberg, Landen Ekberg, Larsyn Ekberg, Russ Volk, Justin Anderson, Tasha Forsyth, Abigail Bose, Jason Claussen, Craig Evans, Chase Forsyth, Desiree Kneifl, Axylle Kurpgeweit, Debi Morlok, Sandy Bartling, Sara Ruwe, Layne Evans, Makayla Heithold, Kash Koch & Tammy Nissen

ANNIVERSARIES: Dennis & Pam Ekberg, Chad & Pam Janke and Ralph & Glenda Beiermann

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: There will be no Wednesday Bible class on April 7. The class will resume its study of the book of Revelation April 14 at 9:00 am.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS: In place of our normal Adult Bible Class, during our Christian Education hour beginning at 9:15 a.m. we will gather **in the sanctuary** for an Easter Hymn Sing. Join us as we raise our voices and sing our alleluias in honor of Christ, the living one. We will also learn a little about the background and Biblical imagery used in these great hymns of celebration.

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY: On **Saturday, April 17** beginning at 1 p.m. we will have a spring cleanup day at the church. Join us as we clean some flower beds, do a few repairs and miscellaneous maintenance tasks. Many hands will make for light work. Please note this event has been changed from its original date on the church calendar.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today we celebrate Easter in Sunday School with special activities. The resurrection reveals that the Father has accepted the Son's sacrifice for our sins, and it fills us with confident hope that, as Christ has been raised from the dead, we, too, will rise to eternal life.

LUTHERAN HOUR: "**What It Means to Be a Family**" -- Guest Speaker: Pastor Gerard Bolling -- Loving, caring, and sharing--it's what we do as God's family, His Church. Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDIES: This semester we are going to have two opportunities for Bible studies as a group. We will meet every **Thursday at 5:30PM** at Cup of Grace. During those times we will be discussing the question "**Is the Bible Reliable?**" Hint, hint... the answer is YES! The other opportunity will be held on Sunday evenings at **7:30pm at Cup of Grace**. Hope to see you for these awesome opportunities and be sure to invite your friends!

LIFESERVE BLOOD BANK will be at Grace on Tuesday, April 6th at 1:30 pm. Call today to schedule an appointment -- 800-287-4903. You can make a difference!

MIDWEEK: Just want to remind all of our families that we will be continuing Midweek Classes this Wednesday April 7th at 6:30PM! This is open to all 3rd through 8th Graders. We look forward to having you with us, and 7th and 8th Graders will meet Pastor Erik in the church basement through the end of April. Last Class will be April 28th. On April 14th everyone wanting to go to the National Youth Gathering should meet Pastor Erik in the church basement for a NYG Informational Meeting. This again is open to all current 7th Graders through High School Juniors. See you all soon!

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN SERVICE PROJECT: For the month of April, about our service project, the Sunday School will be requesting gender and age-appropriate t-shirts (nonmilitary and non-offensive). As always, if you are interested in helping with this activity, the Sunday School will be collecting any donations for this project in the marked bin by the Sunday School office, in the basement. Thank you for your continued generosity!

SUNDAY SCHOOL MESSAGE: The Nursery class is now learning that the Baby Jesus that God gave us at Christmas is the same person that died on the cross on Good Friday for our sins and rose on the third day, Easter! Of course, the students wonder why Jesus had to suffer so much during Holy Week, and I tell them it was all part of God's plan! With that, if your child comes home from Sunday School and tells you that they cracked eggs in class, just know they were not real eggs! The students love when we do the "Resurrection Story" using a dozen plastic eggs because when they "crack" open these eggs, they have an object from the many incidents that happened during Holy Week. May each of you have a happy, and blessed, Easter from the Nursery Class!

COMFORT DOGS: On April 11th, the Comfort Dogs organization will be sending several representatives, along with their comfort dog, to meet and teach the students during the Sunday School hour. If anyone would like to attend this presentation, please plan to be available on this date! Before this event, it would be much appreciated if parents could alert the Sunday School about any specific issues that relate to their children, such as allergies and/or animal related apprehension. Also, parents should still plan to drop off their children to individual classrooms on this date.

WAYNE ZONE LWML WORKSHOP Tuesday, April 13th, 2021, Grace Lutheran Church -- "KNOW YOUR IDENTITY" Speaker: Pastor Nabil Nour -- He was born in Israel, Immigrated to USA when 16. Graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis in 1994. Now serving at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hartford, SD, 4th Vice President of LCMS. Registration will be from 9-9:20. We will close with lunch at noon. Ingathering of Hygiene kits and school kits will be given to Orphan Grain Train. Grace Ladies will deliver to Orphan Grain Train. **Check the exit doors for a list of items needed.**

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

PASTORS: Pastor Michael Buchhorn, Senior Pastor

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY	7:00 am.	Easter Sunrise Worship/Communion
	8:00 am.	Easter Breakfast
	9:15 am.	Hymn Sing
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	10:30 am.	Easter Worship/Communion
MONDAY	6:15 pm.	Choir
	7:30 pm.	Elders
TUESDAY	9:30 am.	Circuit Pastors' Meeting
	1:30 pm.	Blood Bank
WEDNESDAY	5:30 pm.	Bell Choir
THURSDAY	5:30 pm.	College Bible Study
	6:30 pm.	Sunday School Meeting
SATURDAY	9:30 am.	L.I.F.T
	4:00 pm.	Family Communion
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	9:15 am.	Bible Classes
	10:30 am.	Worship /Communion
	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Supper

EASTER LILIES GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

- Mike Anderson & Family in memory of Jana Anderson, Louie Radtke, & Janet Anderson
- Bea Kinslow in memory of Skip Kinslow
- MaryLou & RaDelle Erxleben in memory of LaFaye, Orville, Austin & Nyle Erxleben and Rozelia, Wayne & Donnie Scraton
- Ray, Theresa & Megan Jensen in memory of Matt Jensen, Delbert & Elinor Jensen, Ed & LaVerne Heithold
- Eldon & Ellen Heinemann
- Carol & LeRoy Robbert
- Dennis & Pam Ekberg
- Gene & Jan Casey in memory of Pat Casey and Jack & Dolores Erwin
- Den & Deb Dannelly in memory of Rodger Allemann, Ed & Lorine Carroll, Bill & Eileen Dannelly
- Fritz & Joann Temme in memory of Loved ones
- Jeanette Swanson & Family in memory of David Swanson
- Dan & Teresa Tiedtke & Family in memory of our family members who are no longer with us and in honor of those who are still with us!
- Ladies Aid in memory of those who have passed away and in honor of our living members.
- Sally Lubberstedt in memory of Larry Lubberstedt
- David Stuthmann in memory of Gus & Bertha Stuthmann
- John & Dee Rebensdorf in memory of Vernon Rebensdorf, Elenore Carter, Rose & Henry Bush, Brother Ted & Granddaughter Janna
- Shelli Meyer in memory Hazen & Georgie Boling and Louis & Amanda Meyer and in honor of Ferris & Margie Meyer
- The Trautman Family in memory of Lauryn Trautman
- Dana & Sonya Tompkins & Family in memory of Robert Bauer & Joanne Nagel
- Ron & Rhonda Sebade in memory of Cyril Hansen, Gene & Maribelle Sebade, and Heather Sebade
- Kyle & Jill Roeber in memory of John Anderson, John & Maxine Book, and Lloyd Roeber and in honor of our Grandparents, Parents & Children
- Doug & Cindy Echtenkamp in memory of family members
- Doug & Mary Temme in memory of loved ones
- Keith & RoNelle Woodward
- Don & Lisa Nelson in honor of Marvin Nelson and in memory of Anna Nelson