

This Week's Words for Meditation

Let Us See Jesus

"They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while He talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

Luke 24:32

The men on the road to Emmaus were in a quandary. They thought that Jesus of Nazareth was a great prophet who was going to redeem Israel; however, their Jewish rulers handed Him over to the Romans to be crucified. Now, they were hearing stories that Jesus was no longer in the grave, that He was alive. They weren't certain what to believe.

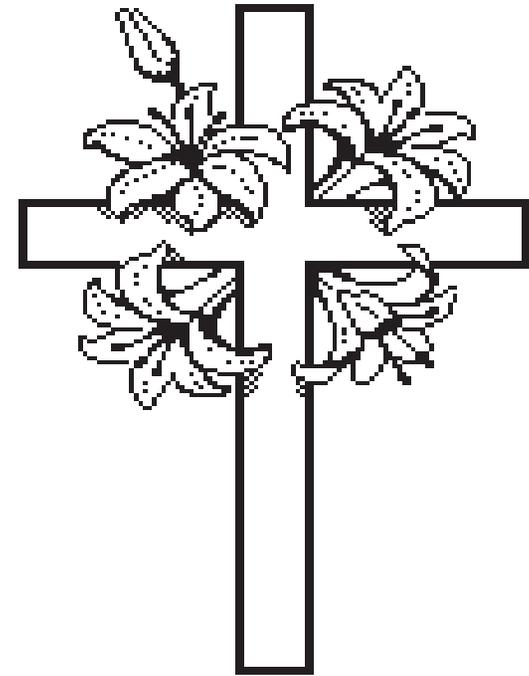
Then the stranger walking with them (who was actually Jesus Himself) opened the Scriptures to them and explained how the Old Testament prophets had foretold the very events that had just taken place. Later, when Jesus shared a meal with them, their eyes were opened and they recognized Him. After finally comprehending the truth, they marveled, "Were not our hearts burning within us?"

Salvation comes to us as the Holy Spirit works faith in us through the Word and through the gift of Baptism. We may not necessarily feel a "burning in our hearts," but we may be assured that we are saved by faith, not by feeling.

Just as Jesus appeared and spoke to the men at a time when they were seeking the truth, so also will He "appear" to us as we seek Him through His Holy Word.

**O Holy Spirit, open our eyes to see Jesus
as we seek His guidance and assurance
of our salvation through Your Holy Word,
the Bible. In His name we pray. Amen.**

Jim Wiemers



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Welcome! The service is designed to honor God and encourage and feed His people. We hope your heart is open to Him today, and that you sense the warm presence of His Spirit.

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+ WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN WORSHIP +

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+ WELCOME AND GREETING +

Pastor’s Welcome

The Invocation for Easter Season

P: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
(Matthew 28:19b)

C: Amen!

Opening Hymn: #904 LSB *“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”* (v 1,3,4)

Verse 1: *Bless-ed Jesus, at Your Word*
We are gathered all to hear You.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
Now to seek and love and fear You,
By Your teachings, sweet and holy,
Drawn from earth to love You solely.

Verse 3: *Gracious Savior, good and kind, Light of Light, from God proceeding,*
Open now our heart and mind; Help us by Your Spirit’s pleading.
Hear the cry Your Church now raises; Hear and bless our prayers and praises.

Verse 4: *Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord, Praise to You and adoration!*
Grant that we may trust Your Word, Confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander, Till we sing Your praises yonder.

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+ TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS +

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just,
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(1 John 1:8-9)

(A time of silent confession before God)

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.

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen. *(1 John 1:12; Philippians 1:6)*

Kyrie Lord, Have Mercy (p. 152) (SPOKEN by Pastor & Congregation)

(Mark 10:47)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

Hymn of Victory This Is The Feast (p. 155) *(Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)*

_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.

+ FORGIVEN, WE NOW ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE +

PSALMODY: Psalm 30:1-5 antiphon: Psalm 16:11b *(Read responsively)*

P: In Your presence there is fullness of joy;
at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**C: I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

P: O LORD my God, I cried to You for help, and You have healed me.

**C: O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol;
You restored me to life from among those who go
down to the pit.**

P: Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,
and give thanks to His holy name.

**C: For His anger is but for a moment,
and His favor is for a lifetime.**

**Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the † Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: In Your presence there is fullness of joy;
at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Salutation and Collect for this Day

P: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +

The First Scripture Reading: Acts 3:11-21 (ESV p. 911)

Peter Speaks in Solomon's Portico

11 While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. 12 And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? 13 The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you



delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. 14 But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. 16 And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

17 “And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. 18 But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. 19 Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, 20 that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, 21 whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-7 (ESV p. 1022)

Children of God

3 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

4 Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. 5 You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. 6 No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. 7 Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Easter Season Gradual (adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6)

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,

C: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands; He has put all things under His feet.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36-49 (ESV p. 906)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Twenty-fourth Chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

36 As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” 37 But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. 38 And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” 40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate before them.

44 Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46 and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, 47 and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Children’s Message: “Jesus Really Is Alive!”

The Message Hymn: #583 LSB “God Has Spoken by His Prophets”

Verse 1: *God has spoken by His prophets, Spoken His unchanging Word;
Each from age to age proclaiming God, the one, the righteous Lord.
In the world’s despair and turmoil, One firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, His throne eternal; God the first, and God the last.*

Verse 2: *God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Christ, the everlasting Son,
Brightness of the Father's glory, With the Father ever one;
Spoken by the Word Incarnate, God of God, before time was;
Light of Light, to earth descending, He reveals our God to us.*

Verse 3: *God is speaking by His Spirit, Speaking to our hearts again,
In the ageless Word declaring His own message, now as then.
Through the rise and fall of nations One sure faith yet standing fast;
God abides, His Word unchanging; God the first, and God the last.*

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The Message for the Day: (John 24:36-49)

“Moses and the Prophets: ‘Everything They Wrote About Me is True.’”

Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed (p. 158)

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 worshipped 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.

The Gathering of Offerings for the Lord's Work *(A Friendly Reminder to please continue offerings as you are able.)*

The Sanctus

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: 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. In Jesus' name.

Amen.

Consecration of Elements for Holy Communion

Distribution will take place in the Narthex at the conclusion of this worship service. Please make sure to sign in on the Communion Notebook.

Dedication of Quilts for LWR

The Prayers of the Church (after each petition, please respond with - “**Hear our Prayer**”)

O Lord, **have mercy.**

O Christ, **have mercy.**

O Lord, **have mercy.**

O Christ, **have mercy.**

The LORD's Prayer (p.162) (Spoken)

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.

Prepare to Receive Holy Communion

We practice Biblical Communion. It is a testimony to our unity in faith and doctrine. All who have been baptized, examined and absolved are welcome.

If you are not an active member of this parish or have not previously received communion from Pastor Dolby, please speak with him.

We invite you to read and understand Matthew 28:16-20, 1 Corinthians 11:17-34, 1 Timothy 4:16, and Mark 14:23-25.

Please Note: Should anyone be unable to partake of the wine, we will have a small amount of cups filled with grape juice available in the center of each communion tray for your use. Also, please note that gluten-free wafers are available in a small bowl on the wafer plate for anyone with a gluten allergy.

We receive Christ's Body and Blood in, with and under the bread and the wine, for the forgiveness of sins, united in the fellowship of faith and faithful in Christ, Christ's presence and peace.

The Benediction (p.166) (Spoken)

P: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (2 Corinthians 13:14)

Amen.

The Sending Hymn: #477 LSB "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

Verse 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.*

Verse 2: *Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:*

*See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat;
Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.*

Verse 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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The Sending

P: Christ has risen from the dead! (Matthew 28:7)

**C: Alleluia! Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life
and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia!**

(2 Timothy 1:10b)

Postlude: "Toccatina on Hymn to Joy", Setting by John Karl Hirten ©2005 Concordia Publishing House.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masks are required while in the buildings for all participants 5 years or older.

Preschool Phone Number Changed! The new number for Rise and Shine Preschool effective immediately is 425-869-6487.

Worship service recordings will continue to be provided on the church website in the days following each Sunday.

Worship services are currently, on a week-by-week basis, either being held at 9:30 AM in our Sanctuary or being live streamed in our Facebook account. Members can also view the recorded video later, on our website at: <http://www.allsaints-lcms.com>, when posted. Updates will also be posted on the website as things are subject to change due to COVID-19.

Sunday School classes currently remain virtual.



Scan using camera or vision on your smartphone. Its a quick way to get to our website.

PLEASE TAKE HOME THIS PRAYER LIST OF PEOPLE TO PRAY FOR

Below are names that Pastor has received over several weeks. Should you wish any names to be added or updated, please contact Pastor or Barbi in the office. If we do not receive updates, names will be removed from this list after 30 days and placed into the Lord's hands.

Emily Andrews - My uncle with the brain tumor just finished his first course of treatment and got the results back from the MRI. More tumors grew in his brain. They aren't able to do any more surgeries after chemotherapy has started. Please pray for the family to find their peace with the situation. I would love for people to pray for them to be able to enjoy the last few months with my uncle. I would also love for prayers that this wouldn't affect his daughters' ability to get their school work done and continue going after their goals in life. Finally, I hope this experience can help lead my aunt and uncle back to God and that He would reveal himself to the daughters. (4-18)

Friend of Marjaana, Continued prayers for Mervi and her family for strength, health, and the light of Christ. Last week they found out that the cancer has spread in her little son Titus' body. (4-11)

Dewey's brother, will be undergoing surgery, heart ablation.

Uncle Lance, Continued healing for him as he recently was moved out of the ICU at hospital he's being cared for. (From Cherish, family friend of Shawna.)

Tara Caulfield, various health problems. We pray for healing and for the doctors to resolve the problems. (4-11)

Ezra, family friend of Paix and Karin, is looking for results after recent surgery. (3-21)

A family friend of the Hargraves, Marc, had colon cancer surgery recently. Prayers for healing from the surgery and that all the cancer was removed. (3-21)

Scott Allen, has been diagnosed with tongue cancer. Prayers for healing. (3-21)

