

Old Testament

Acts 1:1–11

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Epistle

Ephesians 1:15–23

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of

him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:44–53

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] 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.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And 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.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them.

⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.



Easter

About the Cover: The Christian faith is historical. God has acted in history through Christ's death and resurrection to bring us real comfort. In the choosing of Matthias, it was of great importance that one who heard and saw Jesus crucified and risen be the twelfth apostle. The Lord has preserved this eyewitness testimony of the apostles in order that without seeing we may believe that Jesus is the Christ and have life in His name.

*A witness
to His resurrection*

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 17 & 21, 2023

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***Holy Communion:** Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.*

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 5/10 (Wed): 27	Comm.: 25	Offering: \$510.00
Attendance 5/14 (Sun): 84	Comm.: 74	Offering: \$2,186.13
Budget Needs: \$3,098.21		Scrip Profit 5/14: \$19.13
S.S. – 4	Staff – 2	B.C. – 12

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

SUN (5/21) 10:00 a.m. – Stewardship/Evangelism
WED (5/24) 7:00 p.m. – Worship
SUN (5/28) 8:00 a.m. – S.S. (last day)/No B.C.
9:00 a.m. – Worship

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Harlen Krahn; Fran (father of Brigitte Sonnabend); Alvin Bladow (brother of Roger Bladow), Vincent Sucivic (grandson of Duane & Karen Loose), Wilfred Boldt, Julie Boldt, Kay Koffarnus, Jules Clausing (infection), Carol Clausing, Sandy Haberland, Elaine Zeamer, Lori Krueger, and Terry Brandenburg.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Judy Baer.

POWER POINT ASSISTANTS are needed. If you'd like to help with the PowerPoint during the worship, please sign up on the bulletin board.

BRAT FRY & BAKE SALE – The Farm & Home 4H will be selling brats and baked goods on Thursday June 8th from 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (or until food is gone) in the church parking lot.

ELECTRONIC GIVING – You can now manage your electronic giving by going to our website www.stbartbrillion.org and clicking the member resources tab and choose electronic giving and click on the link. Please note: if you are currently doing electronic giving and want to manage your account online, you **MUST** contact the church office to cancel your current account. If you have any questions with this please contact the church office.

GRASS CUTTERS – we are looking for volunteers to cut the grass. You can sign up for a week or a month. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact the trustees.

MITE BOX – The LWML Mite Box is on the small table in the narthex for anyone wishing to put their change in throughout the year. Mites go towards many different grants to help those in need. There is a list of them by the mite box.

CONFIRMATION AND GRADUATION CARDS are available in the card room.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Acts 1:11 – “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? **This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.**” Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ is ascended, and Christ will come again. We live out our lives in this world in the sure confidence of the life to come. We live as people who know our Lord Jesus and who know that He is coming back. This knowledge makes all the difference in how we approach the things of this world.