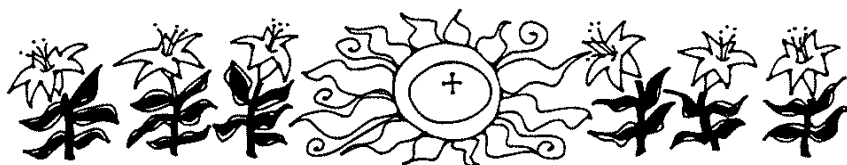


Jesus LIVES!

*He rose again the
third day according
to the scriptures.*

1 CORINTHIANS 15:4



Easter Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICE ASSISTANTS 3/31

ELDERS 6:30 AM: Bob Olson and Ron Reith

READER: Mike Barany ACOLYTE: Mya McGinnis

ELDERS 9:00 AM: Nathan Plackemeier and Mike Pethan

READER: Nathan Plackemeier ACOLYTE: Emma Mirshberger

WEDNESDAY ELDER: Ron Reith

WEDNESDAY ACOLYTE: n/a

WORSHIP SERVICE ASSISTANTS 4/7

ELDERS: Bob Olson and Mark Krueger

READER: Linda Cullen

ACOLYTE: Patrick Seich

WEDNESDAY ELDER: Ron Reith

WEDNESDAY ACOLYTE: Tegan Broome

THE LORD'S SUPPER is the way Jesus Christ, the bread of life, gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. Through this Sacrament, Jesus forgives our sins, gives us victory over death and Satan, and delivers his eternal salvation to us. In accordance with Jesus' teachings, we practice *closed communion*. We therefore ask our guests who wish to commune to speak with the pastor before the service.

BULLETINS can be found on our website under the News Tab, Newsletter/bulletins. Select the appropriate service.

TO THOSE VIEWING ONLINE: If you are a member of St. Martin, please "Register" by clicking one of the "Like" button on Facebook. We are trying to gauge how many of our members are worshipping virtually.

LIVE STREAMING—is now available in the social hall and in room #7.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION—If you are hospitalized, please be sure to update your admittance records indicating your religious preference and if you would like the hospital to call St. Martin.

IF YOU REQUIRE PASTORAL CARE or would like to learn more about Jesus Christ and St. Martin Lutheran, please contact the church office at 920/849-4421 or stmartinlcms@gmail.com or Pastor Thomas K. Schmitt at 920/418-1559 or stmartinlsmc.pastor.com.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN. 3/31

EASTER SUNDAY

6:30A Sunrise Service with Holy Communion

7:45A Easter Breakfast

9:00A Easter Service with Holy Communion

10:15A Easter Lily Pick Up

MON. 4/1

9:00A Spaghetti Dinner Prep

1:00P Afternoon Bible Study

TUE. 4/2

Election Day

3:00-6:00P Spaghetti Dinner Drive Thru

6:00P Garden Gladiators

WED. 4/3

5:15P Confirmation Class

THU. 4/4

6:00P American Legion/Aux

SUN. 4/7

9:00A Worship with Holy Communion

10:10A Fellowship

10:15A Bible Study

10:20A Sunday School

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MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK INCLUDE:

Lisa Reith, Corey ott, Wyatt Schmitz, Cody Rautmann, Mark Willems

IN OUR PRAYERS

-OUR SHUT-INS: Linda Friederichs, Lucinda Loose, Janet Maile, Simone Pagel, Larelda Siebert, Marvin Schommer, Lou Ridder, Pastor Novotney, Pat Bailey

ATTENDANCE: Worship Sunday 3/24 121

Sunday School 3/24 27 students \$25.50

APRIL-JUNE Portals of Prayer are available; donations are appreciated.

MARCH/APRIL CALENDARS are available in the narthex and social hall.

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Bev Daun and Gina Ott

TODAY'S BULLETIN COVERS are given by Sandy Nuss in memory of John and Leona Nuss; and Lonnie Nuss.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS. There is something magical about seeing 14 different people play one instrument, bringing forth music that at one time breaks the heart, at another quickens the pulse, and at another brings forth laughter. Handbells cut across age and interest lines. It is our great privilege to have the Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble come to Chilton's Engler Center on June 1 at 6:30 PM to perform a concert of tunes from the Movies. Music from Star Wars, Pirates of the Caribbean, Frozen and more favorites will take on a new dimension as the Ensemble presents them in their own uniquely creative ways. Tickets are on sale online, or you can save the convenience fee and purchase them at church. Presale tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for children 6-11. All tickets sold at the Engler Center the day of the concert will be \$3 more, so be sure to purchase yours soon! All proceeds from this event will towards are parking lot.

THE PARKING LOT FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN CONTINUES

Total Cash Donations Received to date: \$48402.

Total Pledges: \$3300.

Total Funds raised through our fund Raisers in 2023: \$20949.

Total Funds raised through our fund raisers in 2024: \$2300.

Treasurers Report - St. Martin Lutheran Church			
2024 - February Totals			
	Budget	Actual	Difference
Monthly Offerings	\$ 15,199.76	\$ 19,550.00	\$ 4,350.24
Offerings YTD	\$ 30,399.52	\$ 29,543.00	\$ (856.52)
Expenses YTD	\$ 30,542.70	\$ 30,628.69	\$ (85.99)
Missions YTD	\$ 1,605.00	\$ 1,605.00	\$ -
Total Expenditures YTD	\$ 32,147.70	\$ 32,233.69	\$ (85.99)
YTD Actual Offerings less Total Expenditures		\$ (942.51)	
Parking Lot Loan Bal.	\$ 71,586.53	\$ 2,293.22	\$ 69,293.31

THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

(EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 AM)

Preservice Music

Choir

"Jesus Is Risen! Alleluia!"

Ringling of the Bells

↑ **Easter Processional**

Please stand and face the paschal candle as it enters the sanctuary.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels; rejoice now, all creation; sound forth, trumpet of salvation, and proclaim the triumph of our King. Rejoice, too, all the earth, in the radiance of the light now poured upon you and made brilliant by the brightness of the everlasting King; know that the ancient darkness has been forever banished. Rejoice, O Church of Christ clothed in the brightness this light; let all this house of God ring out with rejoicing, with the praises of all God's faithful people.

C Thanks be to God.

P Jesus Christ is the light of the world. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

C Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Opening Hymn: 457, Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Please turn and face the paschal candle as it passes by you.

- 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!
- 4 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!

Invocation and Psalm of Celebration:

Ps. 118:19–24

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

C Amen.

P Open to me the gates of righteousness,

C that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

P This is the gate of the Lord;

C the righteous shall enter through it.

P I thank You that You have answered me

C and have become my salvation.

P The stone that the builders rejected

C has become the cornerstone.

P This is the Lord's doing;

C it is marvelous in our eyes.

P This is the day that the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Confession and Absolution

P Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C 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.

♪ This Is the Feast

(LSB p. 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

(LSB p. 156)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. ... 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.

↓ Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:1–6

¹“At that time, declares the LORD, I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they shall be my people.”

²Thus says the LORD: “The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, ³the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. ⁴Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel!

Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines and shall go forth in the dance of the merry-makers. ⁵Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit. ⁶For there shall be a day when watchmen will call in the hill country of Ephraim: ‘Arise, and let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual:

(LSB 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives)

- 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.**

Epistle

Colossians 3:1–4

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse: Hymn 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

- 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!**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And 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. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then 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.” ⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn 461, vv. 3-8, I Know that My Redeemer Lives

- 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!

Sermon

↑ Presentation of the Offerings and Offertory (LSB p. 192)

- ☐ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Nicene Creed

- ☐ 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.**

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. ... Father in heaven, You raised Your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead as the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Fill all Your baptized people with the joy of His victory, and send us forth as witnesses to His resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lover of mankind, prosper Your Gospel wherever it is preached throughout the world, that it may give and sustain faith in all who hear it, delivering them from the power of darkness and bringing them into the joyful Kingdom of Your risen Son. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of glory, Your Son established Your Church to be a refuge of peace in a troubled world. Raise up servants of Your Church in every place who will devote their lives to the spread of the Gospel and the service of Your people. Lord, in Your mercy

C hear our prayer.

P Rock of refuge in every time of need, hear the prayers of those who call upon You in times of distress, especially those who are lonely and homebound, the sick, the dying and the mourning May Your Son ever be for them their joy in sorrow, their health in sickness and their life in death. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Bountiful Giver of all things, Your Son has prepared a feast of forgiveness and life for His people. Grant to all who come to His altar today a faithful share in His unending life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P** God of the living, receive our thanks this day for all Your servants who have departed this life in Your faith and fellowship and who now rest from their labors. Bring us by Your grace to share with them in the triumph of Your resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

(♫ LSB pp. 160-166)

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P** 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

- 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

- 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

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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.

Distribution Hymns: 483 This Joyful Eastertide

1 This joyful Eastertide Away with sin and sorrow!

My love, the Crucified, Has sprung to life this morrow:

Refrain: Had Christ, who once was slain,

Not burst His three-day prison,

**Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!**

**2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver: *Refrain***

**3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slumber
Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number:
*Refrain***

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633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

**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!**

△ 8 **Father, who the crown shall give
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!**

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♪ **Thank the Lord** *(LSB p. 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 Let us pray. 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 in 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**

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.**

Closing Hymn: 477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

- 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.
- 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.

- △ 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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