

Sunday, April 17th 2022, 7:00am

**Easter Sunrise Service at
Saint Michael's Park**



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NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE:

Our Sunrise Service today is taking place at Saint Michael's Lutheran Church Park. Gathering together here outside reminds us of the events that took place on that first Easter Sunday as Jesus' tomb was found empty!

MISSION STATEMENT:

Saint Michael's Lutheran Church exists to worship God, love one another, and serve all people according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

In View of God's Mercy

Easter Sunrise: Mercy in the Open Tomb

ORDER OF SERVICE

Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.

Matthew 28:5-6

Invocation and Call to Worship

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever!

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P The Lord is on my side; I will not fear.

C Because he lives, we shall live also.

P The Lord is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

C Because he lives, we shall live also.

P The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

C Because he lives, we shall live also.

P I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

C Because he lives, we shall live also.

P The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

C Christ has risen from the dead, alleluia!

P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever.

C Amen.



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 △ 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

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Confession and Forgiveness

P On this day we celebrate Christ's resurrection from the grave. But we also remember why he went to the grave. We acknowledge that our sins were the reason for his suffering and death. And so we confess those sins to God and seek his mercy.

C Most merciful God, it is our sins that put Jesus on the cross. It is because of our transgressions that his lifeless body was placed in

the tomb. We confess our guilt and acknowledge the gravity of our sin. For the sake of Christ crucified and risen from the dead, forgive our iniquity and restore us in righteousness. Through the power of his resurrection enable us to walk in newness of life, to the glory of your holy name.

P We cry to you for mercy!

C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, God's mercy is greater.)

P Hear the good news! God's Word declares that Jesus "was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification" (Romans 4:25). In the mercy of Almighty God, his Son Jesus was given to die for you. For Christ's sake God forgives you all your sins and justifies you, making you holy in his sight. His mercy endures forever because his love for you is steadfast.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P Gracious Father, as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, we do so in view of your mercy. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have defeated death and opened to us the way to everlasting life. We thank you that his victory over sin, death and hell is shared with us so that we become more than conquerors through him who loved us. In view of your mercy, form us by your Spirit to live as newborn children of God. We pray these things in the holy name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 15:1-18

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. ⁴Pharaoh'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. ¹¹Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? ¹²You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them. ¹³You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode. ¹⁴The peoples have heard; they tremble; pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia. ¹⁵Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed; trembling seizes the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away. ¹⁶Terror and dread fall upon them; because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone, till your people, O Lord, pass by, till the people pass by whom you have purchased. ¹⁷You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O Lord, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. ¹⁸The Lord will reign forever and ever."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:3-11

³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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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 Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

LSB #469



1 “Christ the Lord is ris’n to - day!” Saints on earth and an - gels say;
 2 Love’s re - deem - ing work is done, Fought the fight, the bat - tle won;
 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
 4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, re - ply.
 Lo! Our Sun’s e - clipse is o’er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.
 Death in vain for - bids His rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
 Once He died our souls to save; Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led;
 Foll’wing our exalted Head.
 Made like Him, like Him we rise;
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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Sermon

Rev. Nate Hill

Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

Offering

Ushers

*If you would like to transition to making your regular tithe or offering online,
you may do so at www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give*



Prayers

- P** Risen Christ, we rejoice at your victory over sin. United with you in baptism, may we consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Lord, in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.**
- P** Living Lord, we celebrate your triumph over death. As Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, may we walk in newness of life. Lord, in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.**
- P** Victorious Deliverer, we acclaim your defeat of the devil. Trusting in your declaration of justification, may we live in freedom from the accusation of guilt. Lord, in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.**
- P** Loving Redeemer, we affirm your rescue of us from hell. May we never fear the grave or what follows but eagerly anticipate our own resurrection and life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.**
- P** Mighty Conqueror, we hail you as King of kings and Lord of lords. May we serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives and into eternity. Lord, in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.**
- P** In view of your mercy, move us by your Spirit to face death with hope in the sure and certain promise of life everlasting through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- C Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Benediction

P May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever (Hebrews 13:20-21).

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

LSB #461



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 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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PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Marie Ashutabi — *Bea Kilian's Coworker*
- Briana Beasley — *Greg Roeber's Coworker*
- Melinda Bennett — *Bill Karisch's Friend*
- Don Buck
- Beverly Desmond — *Mark McClain's Aunt*
- Charlene Franke
- RC Franke
- Tommy Franke
- Marian Fritsche
- Nellie Gonzalez
- Evelyn Haschke
- Delores Karisch
- Morgan Ray Karisch
- Evelyn Kasper — *Bill Karisch's Mother*
- Thelma Kieschnik
- Bea Kilian
- Audrey Koenning
- Kristin Laws
- Richard Laws
- Rose Lehmann
- Kevin Margeson — *Kurtis Hankemeier's Brother*
- Clarence Mitschke — *Karen Robbins' Father*
- Dianna Mitschke — *Karen Robbins' Mother*
- Lillian Pietsch
- Betty Richter
- Layne Schramm — *Thelma Kieschnik's Grandson*
- Marie Schulz
- Laverne Schulze
- Amy Wagner

SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:

- Christopher Brand — US Navy — Great Lakes, Illinois
- Caleb Burton — US Army — Fort Carson, Colorado
- Warren Evans — US Army — Fort Wainwright, Alaska
- Jake Hagood — US Army — Fort Hood, Texas
- Kaleb Pyle — US Army — Fort Bliss, Texas
- Ryan Spray — US Air Force — San Antonio, Texas
- Byron Taylor — US Army — Fort Knox, Kentucky

MISSIONARIES:

- Julie Aftab — People of the Book Lutheran Outreach — Houston, TX
- John & Jenn Wolf — LCMS Missionaries — Kenya

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL'S:

Sunday, April 17th – Easter Sunday

- 7:00am – Easter Sunrise Service – *St. Michael's Park*
- 8:00am – Easter Breakfast – *St. Michael's Park*
- 9:00am – Worship Service with Communion – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Easter Egg Hunt – *Outside*
- 3:00pm – 4-H Meeting – *Education Building*

Monday, April 18th

- 7:00pm – Church Council – *Education Building*

Tuesday, April 19th

- 11:00am – LWML – *Education Building*
- 7:00pm – WACA Book Club – *Zilss Hall*

Wednesday, April 20th

- 9:30am – Bible Class – *Education Building*

Sunday, April 24th

- 9:00am – Worship Service – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Sunday School/Bible Study – *Education Building*
- 4:00pm – Confirmation – *Education Building*

Beautification Watering: For the week beginning on April 18th, Evelyn Parker will be in charge of watering. If you notice that something needs to be watered, please contact the person of the week that is monitoring. If the week does not work for you, please work it out with someone else.

Full Scholarships to Camp Lone Star Available: Saint Michael's has full scholarships available for children and grandchildren of our church members to attend a week of camp this summer at Camp Lone Star. For more information, contact Pastor Nate. Please visit camplonestar.org/summer-camp/ to look at the summer and activities.

BBQ Chickens on Mother's Day: St. Michael's will be selling BBQ Chickens and Sauce on Mother's Day, May 8, 2022, at the park. The cost is \$11.00/per chicken and \$2.00/per sauce. Proceeds will go to the youth fund. Sign up sheets are available in the Narthex of the church, the Winchester Depot and Shorty's. We ask that orders be placed by April 22, 2022, due to supply issues. If you have any questions, please text or call Jake Franke at 979/966-7416 or Kelly Franke at 979/966-7414.

Bike MS150 Volunteers Needed: The MS Society would love for St. Michael's Lutheran Church's help potentially volunteering and engaging the community as a whole. **Specifically, we need help at our rest stop on April 30th at the Winchester United Methodist Church and Zilss Hall.** Rest stop responsibilities include setting up/taking down the site, running hydration/fruit stations, serving food and beverages to riders, etc. We need **11 volunteers for the 8:00 am-11:45 am shift and 11 volunteers for the 11:30 am-3:30 pm shift.** Here is the link to sign up for this specific location:

https://nmss.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=651631.

You can respond as a team or as an individual volunteer. For questions email or call Emily Graumann: volunteertexasms150@nmss.org or (832)786-9125.

MS150 - Team Winchester: Team Winchester is participating in the MS150 this year! Tom Atkins and Amanda Hart have been training to ride from Austin to La Grange on April 30th and La Grange to College Station May 1st. Please contact either Tom or Amanda if you would like to support them in their fundraising efforts. You can call or text them, or donate directly to the team page found here: <https://mssociety.donordrive.com/team/14293> .

Tom Atkins: (512)750-3345

Amanda Hart: (979)540-0600



Staff Positions Available

Faith Lutheran High School will have part time openings on its faculty for the 2022-2023 academic year! Interested individuals who teach any subject area are encouraged to apply, but science, social studies, English, or electives are sought after skills. Applicants may submit resumes to Faith Lutheran High School, PO Box 138, Warda, TX 78960, call (979) 242-2889, or email them to kueckn@flhstx.org. If you have the time and talents, please consider applying and sharing your gifts with our students. Thank you!

Free Wednesday mornings?

Join us for our weekly Chapel Worship Service every Wednesday. Chapel will be led by Ms. Katie Otto, DCE at Immanuel, beginning at 10:30 am.

New Student Registration

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is underway. We would love to welcome you into our Falcon family as well. Call us at (979) 242-2889 to schedule a shadow day or visit our website at www.flhstx.org for registration information.

Youth Camps

Summer camps are back! We are excited to offer a variety of camps for youth this summer. Ages are for grades NEXT school year.

June 1 - Frog Dissection - Grade 6 to 8 - \$15

June 6-8 - Volleyball - Grade 3 to 8 - \$15

June 13-15 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$15

June 20-22 - STEM Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$ 30

June 27-29 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$30

Aug 1-2 - Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$15

Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information! Don't wait --- Sign up today!! Space is limited!

Alleluia

He is

Risen