

The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday April 17, 2022 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

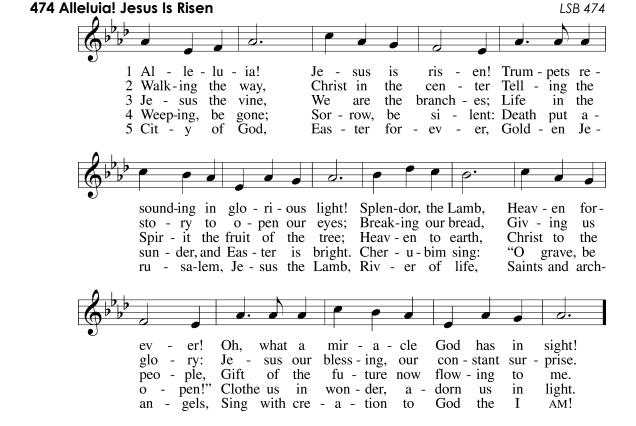


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As we gather, please take time to fill out the fellowship pad located near the center aisle in your pew. If you have any prayer requests, feel free to use a prayer request card from the pew rack in front of you, and place it in the offering plate after the sermon. (For those joining us online, please contact the church office.) We will include these requests in our prayers during worship, and share them with our prayer chain (if desired).

Welcome and Opening Prayer





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+ Confession and Absolution +

Confession, to confess to God our sins and sinful nature. Absolution, "To absolve of sin and wrongdoing," more specifically, to affirm God's forgiveness to all who sincerely confess their sins to Him.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Exhortation 1 John 1:8-9 151

- 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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. Consider: Have you loved God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength? Have you loved your neighbor as yourself?



Confession of Sins LSB 151

- P 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.

Absolution

[John 20:19-23] LSB 151

- 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.

Service of the Word

Introit

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: v. 1b

- **P** I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
- **C** the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.
- P The LORD is my strength and my song,
- and he has become my salvation.
- P Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
- your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- P You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;
- you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.
- P You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,
- the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,
- P the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.
- The LORD will reign forever and ever.
 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** I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
- the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

Kyrie Mark 10:47 152

A Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy!" A brief prayer not only imploring God's mercy but rejoicing in it through Jesus Christ.

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



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.



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



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







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Salutation and Collect of the Day

"Salutation" is a word from Latin meaning, "to greet." "Collect" (KAH-lekt), a brief structured prayer, usually consisting of five parts: address to God, basis for the prayer, petition, desired benefit or result, and trinitarian conclusion. The Collect of the Day also "collects" the message of the day's Gospel reading.

P The Lord be 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.



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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

A The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 65.

17"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.
18But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.
19I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old. and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them:

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them.

²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Resurrection Alleluias

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Choir

Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 15.

¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

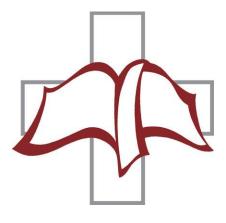
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Alleluia and Verse

Hebrew word meaning "praise the LORD." Also spelled "Hallelujah".



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Holy Gospel

Matthew 28

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



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."

¹¹While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. ¹²And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers ¹³and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.' ¹⁴And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." ¹⁵So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

Creed comes from the Latin "credo" which means "I believe." We confess our Christian faith in one of the three creeds (short statement of belief) agreed upon by the ancient church.

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.

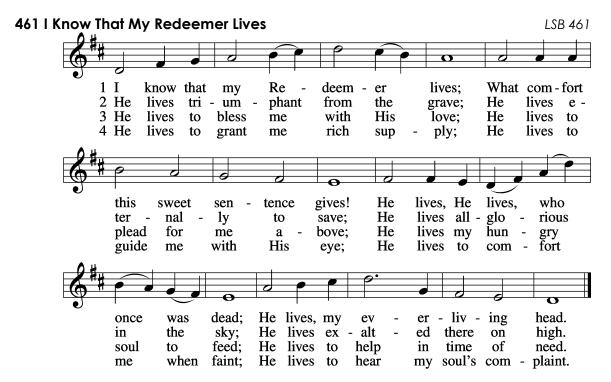
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

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.

Children's Message

Matthew 19:14; Mark 13:13-15; Luke 18:16

Children are invited to join Amanda Adams, our Director of Christian Education, at the front of the sanctuary for the Children's Message.



- 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.
- 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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Sermon

The Crucified King: The King Raised

Offering

If you brought your gift, tithe, or offering with you today, you may place it in the offering plate as it passes. We also have multiple options for electronic giving. You can sign up for online giving through Vanco at bit.ly/GivingChristLCMS for a one-time or recurring gift. You may also download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app and search for Christ Lutheran Church in Topeka, KS. Direct links and additional information are available on the church website (christlems.org/giving).



For those joining us remotely, you may use the electronic giving methods listed above, or you may mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611).

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Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

At the end of each petition, the pastor will say, "Lord, in Your mercy," to which the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

- ...through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.



Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



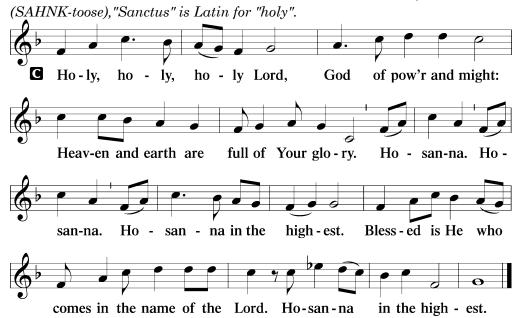
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Proper Preface (Full)

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:





Prayer of Thanksgiving

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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.



- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
 - 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 Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini John 20:19 163

(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).

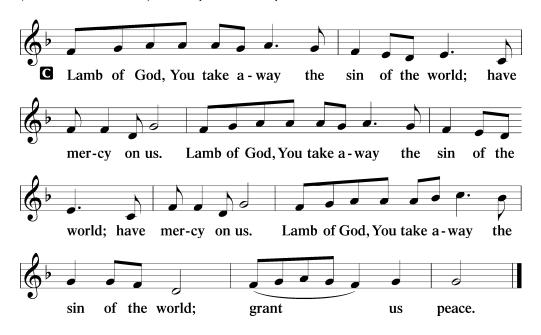
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Agnus Dei John 1:29 LSB 163

(AHG-noose DAY-ee). Latin for "Lamb of God."



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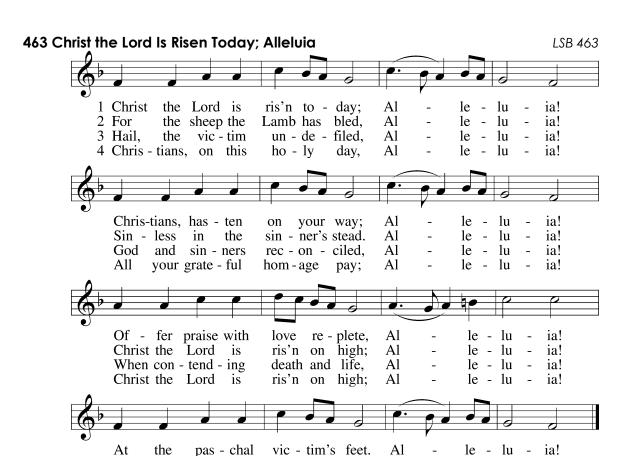
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Communion for Easter Sunday will utilize a continuous style of distribution instead of kneeling at the altar rail. The common cup will still be available for those who wish to use it instead of an individual cup.

All are invited up to receive a blessing.





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- 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!

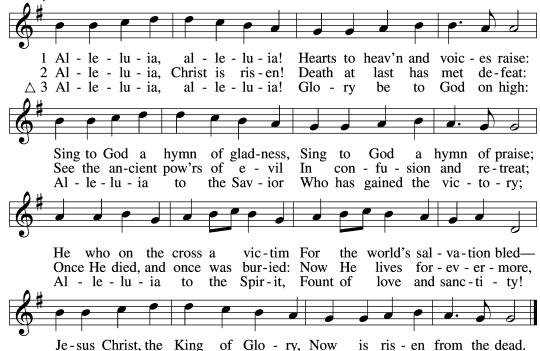
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Je-sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, Whom we wor-ship and a-dore.

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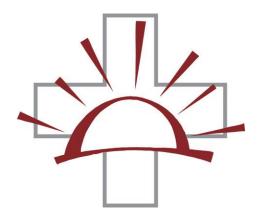
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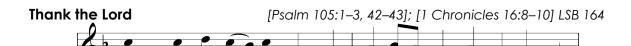
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Dismissal





C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia

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.





Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benediction Numbers 6:24–26 166

A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.

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.



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Easter Lilies



JOHN ALLEN & FAMILY - IN MEMORY OF CLAUDE, SHARLEEN, & JIM ALLEN, AND EUGENE SCHARDT

THE FAMILY OF LEILA BECKER - IN MEMORY OF LEILA BECKER

ANN-MARIE BEVEL - IN HONOR OF TEACHERS, STAFF, & VOLUNTEERS AT TLS & CYC

DONNA BOYER - IN MEMORY OF BILL BOYER & LUCY BROADBENT

WAYNE & LINDA BRADLEY - IN MEMORY OF THEIR PARENTS,

WAYNE'S SISTER, LINDA'S BROTHER, AND THEIR GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER

PATRICK & NORLINDA CAMPBELL - IN MEMORY OF ZACHARY CAMPBELL & VILLAMOR NUCUP

DARLEEN CARPENTER - IN MEMORY OF LEE CARPENTER

BOB & JUDY CRITES - IN HONOR OF ALL OUR FAMILY

THE DAVIS CHILDREN - IN HONOR OF MARY DAVIS & IN MEMORY OF DUANE DAVIS

LYNNE DRYER & CHASE FORD - IN MEMORY OF LURA LEE DRYER

NICHOLE HAMMON - IN MEMORY OF JASON HAMMON & RUTH HAMMON

JOHN & DARIA HART - IN MEMORY OF RUSSIAN SOLDIERS WHO DIED IN UKRAINE

AND UKRAINIAN CIVILIANS & SOLDIERS WHO DIED IN WAR

WAYNE & BARBARA KELLNER - IN MEMORY OF THEIR BROTHER-IN-LAW, GLENN ERBER

MATT & MEL LANG - IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES GONE BEFORE US

THE HOLMER FAMILY - IN MEMORY OF TERRY HOLMER

PAT LEONARD - IN MEMORY OF RICHARD T. LEONARD

RICK LEONARD - IN MEMORY OF LARRY & WILMA SMITH

Sharon Lightwine – in memory of her parents, Homer & Dorothy Goodell

KIMBERLY SAXTON-SCRUGGS - IN MEMORY OF MR. & MRS. W. H. SAXTON

Duane & Deanna Schroeder – in memory of Jo Muhleisen (mother) & Tom Muhleisen (brother)

RICHARD SCHUETTE - IN MEMORY OF BETTY, HERB SR., MARGARET, EMILY, & HERB JR.

MARSHA SMITH - IN MEMORY OF HAYDEN SMITH

SCOTT & ANDREA VAN GENDEREN - IN HONOR OF EMMETT JOSEPH FLUTY
GENEVIEVE WYMORE - IN MEMORY OF CHARLES WYMORE

-- Week at a Glance --

Sunday April 17th	8:00 & 10:30 am 9:15 am	Easter Sunday Sunrise Worship Service Easter Sunday Worship Service w/ Communion Easter Breakfast Children's Easter Egg Hunt
Monday April 18th		
Tuesday April 19th		
Wednesday April 20th	5:30 pm	Confirmation WWF Boards of Youth/Ed Meeting
Thursday April 21st	2:00 pm	Chair Aerobics
Friday April 22nd		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday April 23rd	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
Sunday April 24th	9:15 am 3:00 pm 4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults) Jr. Youth (4 th -5 th grades) Middle School Youth (6 th -8 th grades) High School Youth (9 th -12 th grades) College/Young Adult Group (ages 18-25)

Celebrating

Birthdays: Frank S., Carter W. (17th); Jamie H., Emagene M. (19th); Sharon L. (21st);

Amber H., Ashley H. (22nd); Connie D., Tara S. (23rd); Jennier H. (24th)

Baptism Birthdays: Lester L., Anthony W., Kari Ann W. (17th); John A. (18th); Dennis L. (19th); Kaelyn B., Jacelyn G., Collette R. (21st); Ann-Marie B. (22nd); Kora K. (23rd)

Anniversaries: Garry & Lila N. (17th)

Happy 101st Birthday

Birthday blessings to Leola Passow, who celebrated her 101st birthday yesterday!

Easter Breakfast and Children's Easter Egg Hunt

LWML will be hosting Easter Breakfast in the Schemm Family Life Center (gym) on Easter morning during our Sunday School hour (beginning at 9:15 AM). It will feature casseroles, fruit, and breads/muffins. Join us!

Our Children's Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 9:45 AM this morning (so you can still enjoy Easter Breakfast, too). If you would like to donate candy, please leave it in the box in the coffee lobby. No plastic eggs are needed at this time.

Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am) - RESUMES NEXT WEEK

Journey through Genesis with Pastor Ben – Schemm Family Life Center (Gym) God's Word for Today: Ephesians – Basement A Walk Through the Bible (Women's Group) – Pastor's Office

Children/Youth Sunday School Hour (9:15 am) – RESUMES NEXT WEEK

Children (Pre-K through 6^{th} grade) — Upstairs Education Wing Youth (7^{th} - 12^{th} grades) — Basement Youth Room

Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Epistles – Thursdays at 7 PM – Basement *This class is taking a break for the month of April.*

Men's Bible Study

Saturdays at 10 AM via Zoom – contact the church office for a Zoom meeting link.

Women's Monthly Bible Study

Saturday, April 30th at 9:30 AM – this month we will meet at LaJean Rinker's home. Contact LaJean for more information.

WWF (Weekly Wednesday Fellowship)

After a break for Lent, WWF will resume this Wednesday (April 20th). Join us in the Schemm Family Life Center (gym) at 5:30 PM. Bring a dish to share for our potluck meal, and then enjoy cards and board games with your church family.

Class of 2022

Calling all Christ families with high school seniors! Please submit names of students who will be graduating from high school this year to the church office. We would like to recognize them in the newsletter and present them with a gift during worship in May.

LOOK HERE! NEW INFO! (Changes to Online Giving)

We are beginning the process of switching our online giving platform from PushPay to Vanco. This is a very positive change for us because not only will it save the congregation money in processing fees, but it will also be easier for our staff, Financial Secretary, and Treasurer who log all of the information behind the scenes.

If you currently have a scheduled recurring gift, tithe, or offering through PushPay, please switch that to the Vanco platform by May 31st.

To make your donation through Vanco, please visit **bit.ly/GivingChristLCMS** or download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app and search for Christ Lutheran Church in Topeka, KS.

For more information about this change, please visit our website at **christlems.org/giving** or contact the church office.

Church Office Hours

Please note that the church office will be closed on Friday, April 22nd. (Our staff needs a day to recover from the packed schedule during Holy Week!)

Youth

Christ Youth typically meet on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Join us next Sunday, April 24th, for Bible study and fellowship! Contact DCE Amanda if you have questions or need more info.

Jr. Youth $(4^{\text{th}}-5^{\text{th}} \text{ grades}) - 3:00 \text{ PM}$ Middle School Youth $(6^{\text{th}}-8^{\text{th}} \text{ grades}) - 4:15 \text{ PM}$ High School Youth $(9^{\text{th}}-12^{\text{th}} \text{ grades}) - 5:00 \text{ PM}$

College/Young Adult Group

If you are between the ages of 18 and 25, we'd love to have you join our College & Young Adult group! We meet here at Christ on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 7 PM. Contact Pastor Ben or DCE Amanda for more info. See you on April 24th!

Vacation Bible School

Join us the week of June 13th through 17th from 9 AM to noon. At Rainforest Explorers VBS, your children will look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and discover that Jesus leads the way to the treasure of eternal life with him! Registration is now open through our website (christlcms.org/vbs).

We're also looking for volunteers (youth and adults) – contact DCE Amanda if you are interested!

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New Kindergarten Teacher at TLS

We are thrilled to announce that Cristy Balch (who is a member here at Christ) has accepted the contract to be the new kindergarten teacher at Topeka Lutheran School! God's blessings as you prepare for the coming school year!

TLS News

Enrollment is now open for the 2022-2023 school year! Topeka Lutheran School will have multiple updates coming soon – stay tuned for news from the search committee for a new principal as well as progress reports on the new boiler and the status of the CYC.

St. John's Music Academy

Have you been curious about St. John's Music Academy? You are invited to their Open House and Recital on Sunday, April $24^{\rm th}$ (at St. John's Ev. Lutheran – 901 SW Fillmore, Topeka). The open house begins at 3 PM, where you can meet the teachers, tour the facilities, and enjoy refreshments. The student and faculty recital begins at 4 PM.



Volunteers for Yard Work

Spring has sprung! If you are interested in helping out with tree-trimming, landscaping, or planting/caring for flower beds here at Christ, please contact the church office.

Red Cross Blood Drive

You can donate blood right here at Christ on Friday, May 27th. To make your life-saving appointment call 800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: TopekaCLC).

Position Opening: Communications Specialist

The LCMS Kansas District invites applications for the position of Communications Specialist (up to 28 hours per week). The Communications Specialist oversees the communications efforts of the District, including the website (kslcms.org), *Workers Together* newsletter, *The Lutheran Witness* supplement, social media, special projects, and other duties as assigned. He or she must be a member in good standing of an LCMS congregation and should have a bachelor's degree in communications, journalism, public relations, or a related field and at least three years of experience (paid or volunteer).

The ideal candidate will be a resourceful content creator and strong editor; proficient with (or able to learn quickly) Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite, WordPress, and social media platforms; comfortable with graphic design; able to juggle multiple projects; and knowledgeable about LCMS doctrine, practice, and structure. A combination of onsite and remote work is possible. To apply, please send a letter of interest, a resume, and a completed employment application (link below) via email to Heather Williams, Kansas District Business Manager, heather@kslcms.org. A review of applications will begin May 1. https://kslcms.org/about-us/communications/

Business Administrator, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church seeks to fill the position of business administrator, the lead person for the financial, non-called personnel, and office organization of the church. The business administrator occupies a full-time salaried exempt position with an expected 40-hour work week.

Salary Range: \$36,000-\$50,000 based on education and experience. Benefits: Family Health Insurance; Paid Concordia Retirement Savings Plan and Concordia Retirement Plan; Paid Life Insurance; Paid Disability Insurance; Vacation and Sick Leave.

Further Information: Available at the St. John's website – scroll to the News and Events section on the main page. Application deadline: 6 May 2022

Pray for TLS

Take one of the purple paw print magnets from the back of the sanctuary. Whenever you see it, use it as a reminder to pray for Topeka Lutheran School!

Join our Prayer Chain

Would you like to lift up the special prayer requests of your fellow members here at Christ? E-mail the church office (office@christlcms.org) and say that you'd like to join the Prayer Chain. We'll e-mail you prayer requests as we receive them, and you include them in your regular prayers — it's as easy as that!

Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., Don L., Jerry M., Jean (Pauline C.'s sister), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Kathy (Brenda Z.'s sister-in-law), Shirley (Frank J.'s grandmother), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Jeanette W., Lisa (Judy K.'s sister), Randy (Carol J.'s son), Vikki N., Matt N., Lynn M., Virginia C., Leonard (brother of Jeanette B.), Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Marjean P., Ted M., Carolyn S., Caleb (Dana N.'s nephew), Robert P., Jen (Donna B.'s niece), Janene (Bessie T.'s cousin), Jeff (Bessie T.'s friend's brother), Glenna L., Craig (Larry R.'s brother), Barbara K., Dick H., and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, Chelsea Irwin and missionaries around the world. We pray especially for those around the world being persecuted for their faith in the one. true God and the suffering they endure. Please continue to pray for Pastor Ben. DCE Amanda, our staff and their families as they do our Lord's work here at Christ Lutheran. We pray for the staff and students of Topeka Lutheran School and the Center for Young Children. We also pray for those who serve in the armed forces, first responders, and for our country and government. Prayers of thanksgiving for our Lord and Savior and the new life we have in Him.



Support Ukrainians

Consider giving to LCMS Mission Advancement or Mission Central to provide aid and assistance to those displaced by the war in Ukraine.



GIVE BY PHONE

LCMS Donor Central: 888-930-4438

Mission Central: 712-882-1039



GIVE BY TEXT

Send the message **LCMSUKRAINE** to **41-444** from your mobile phone to give through LCMS Mission Advancement



GIVE BY MAIL

Mission Central 40718 Highway E 16 Mapleton, IA 51034 MEMO: "Help for Displaced Ukrainians"

Children's Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 17th -- 9:45 am





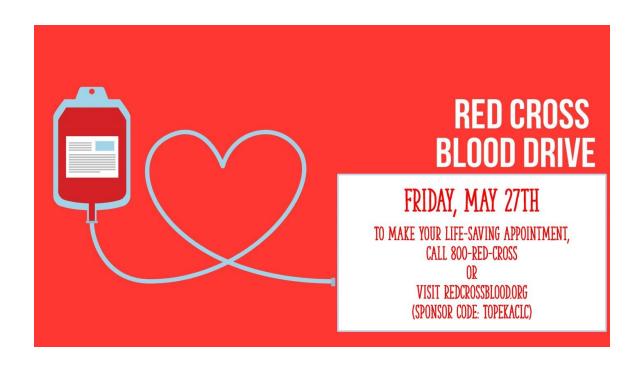
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Christ's Resurrection Is the Firstfruits of the New Creation

The Lord has promised to "create new heavens and a new earth" (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are "the offspring of the blessed of the LORD" (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For "if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied" (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be "perplexed about this" (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an "idle tale" (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.

Worship Attendance – Sunday, April 10th

8:00 AM -- 70 10:30 AM -- 88

Stewardship Corner

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,337
Offerings Received – Week of 4/10	\$ 7,393
Budgeted Needs (Jan-Mar 2022)	\$ 108,384
Offerings Received (Jan-Mar 2022)	\$ 109,085

Luke 24:6-7 – "He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." Jesus is risen. But is that Good News? What if He is mad at us for betraying Him, for running away at Gethsemane, for not believing He would rise? The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen; the Good News is that He is risen to bless us. There is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and sisters, and He means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen – He is risen indeed!