

Blessed

ARE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SEEN
AND YET HAVE BELIEVED.

JOHN 20:29 (ESV)

Second Sunday of Easter
April 24, 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

549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2 Crown Him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;
3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.



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5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.
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And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.
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And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.
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And crown Him Lord of all.

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Stand

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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

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

C Amen.

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9 151

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

C **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

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- P** Let us then 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.**

Absolution

[John 20:19–23] LSB 151

- 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.**

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

- P** Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
- C** **if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.**
- P** Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
- C** **make known his deeds among the peoples!**
- P** Sing to him, sing praises to him;
- C** **tell of all his wondrous works!**
- P** Glory in his holy name;
- C** **let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!**
- P** Seek the LORD and his strength;
- C** **seek his presence continually!**
- P** Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
- C** **his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.**
- P** He remembers his covenant forever,
- C** **the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.**
**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** Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
- C** **if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.**

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.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 154

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord’s resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - - men.

Sit

First Reading

Acts 5:12–20

A The First Reading is from Acts, chapter 5.

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon’s Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰“Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Revelation 1:4–20

A The Epistle is from Revelation, chapter 1.

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

¹⁹Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. ²⁰As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' 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.

C **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.**

Sit

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.*

457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

LSB 457



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!



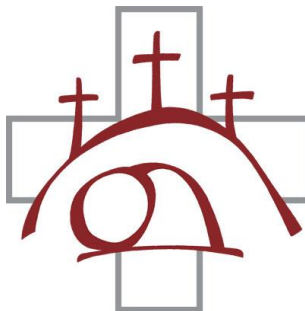
Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



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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Sermon



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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).

Stand

Offertory

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19 LSB 159



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

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.**"*

P ...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.



C And al - so 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.

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:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 161

(SAHNK-toose), "Sanctus" is Latin for "holy".



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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.



Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 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).

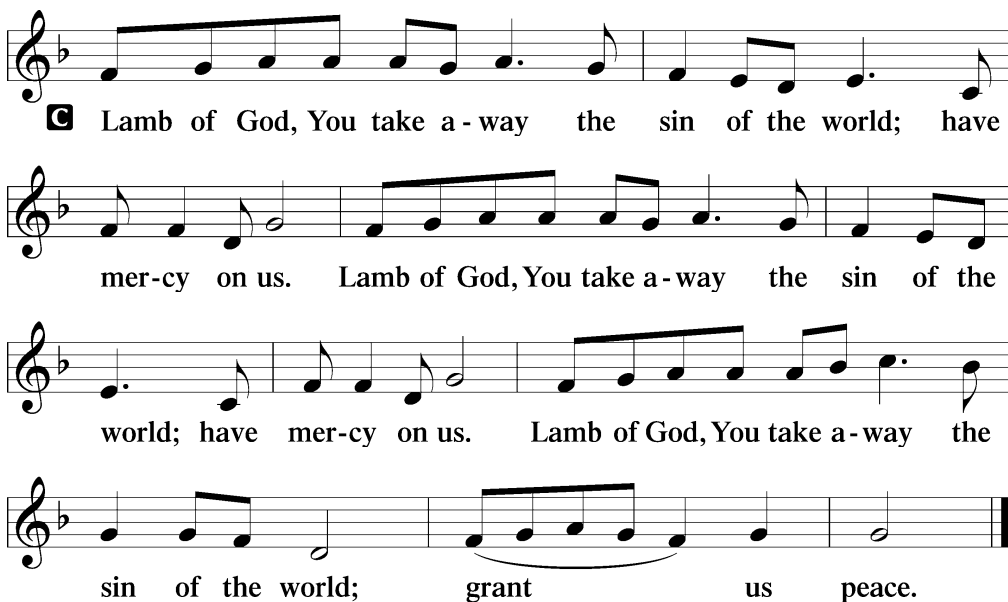
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 163

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



□ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution

Communion is reserved for those who are members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or members of a church body in fellowship with the LCMS unless special arrangements have been made with the pastor. The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. Then they will distribute it to those who cannot come up to the altar rail due to physical ailments. Following that the ushers will dismiss the people from their pews to go to the altar rail. The congregation will be ushered down the middle aisle to go up to the rail and when dismissed from there will use the side aisle to return to their seats. All are invited up to receive a blessing.



482 This Joyful Eastertide

LSB 482



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and
 2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the
 3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son



sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,
 riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill
 slum - ber Till trump from east to west



Has sprung to life this mor - row:
 My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:
 Shall wake the dead in num - ber:

Refrain



Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,



Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

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484 Make Songs of Joy

LSB 484



- 1 Make songs of joy to Christ, our head; Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Our life was pur - chased by His loss; Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 O death, where is your dead - ly sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 And where your vic - to - ry, O grave, Al - le - lu - ia!



- He lives a - gain who once was dead! Al - le - lu - ia!
 He died our death up - on the cross. Al - le - lu - ia!
 As - sumed by our tri - um - phant King! Al - le - lu - ia!
 When one like Christ has come to save? Al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 Behold, the tyrants, one and all,
 Alleluia!
 Before our mighty Savior fall!
 Alleluia!

- △ 6 For this be praised the Son who rose,
 Alleluia!
 The Father, and the Holy Ghost!
 Alleluia!

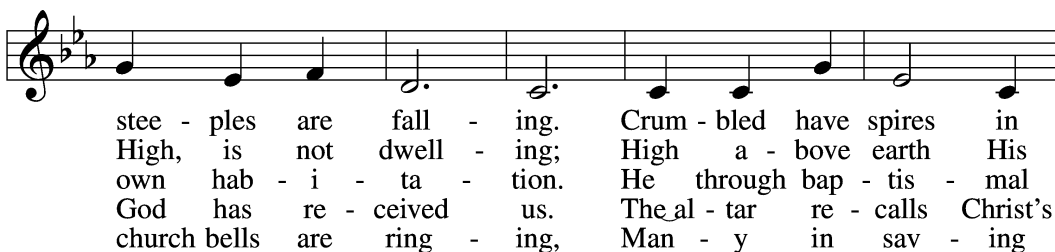
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645 Built on the Rock

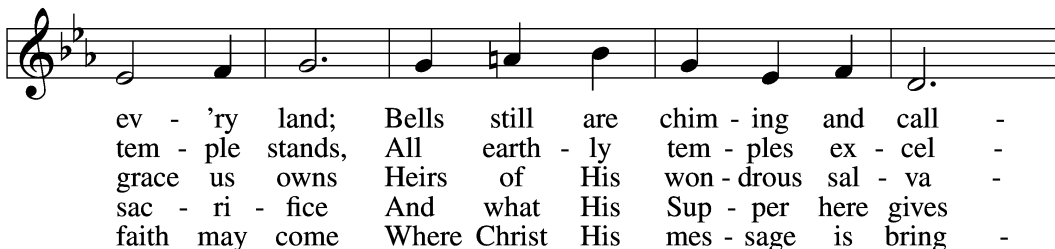
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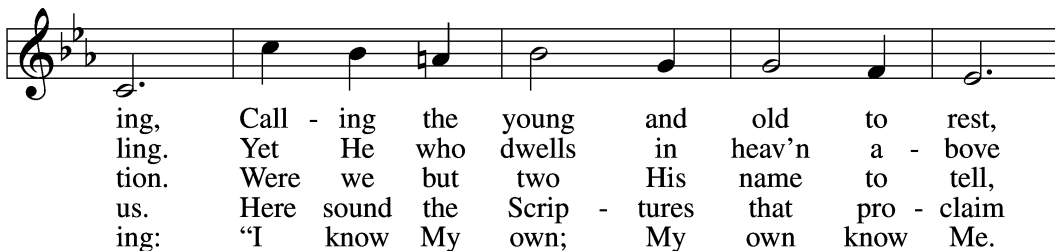
- 1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when
 2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most
 3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His
 4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how
 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the



stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in
 High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His
 own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal
 God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's
 church bells are ring - ing, Man - y in sav - ing



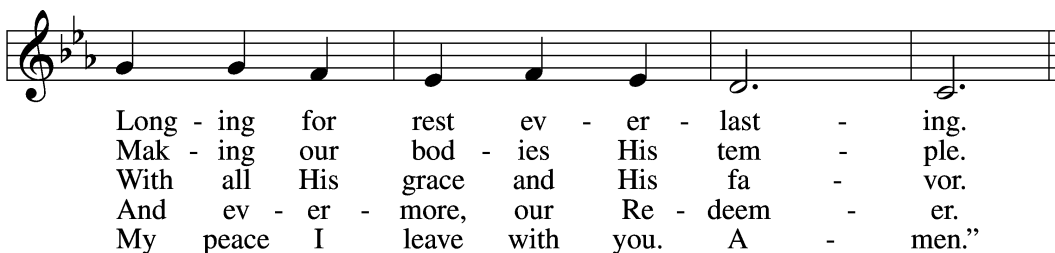
ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -
 tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -
 grace us owns, Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -
 sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives
 faith may come Where Christ His mes - sage is bring -



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,
 ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove
 tion. Were we but two His name to tell,
 us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim
 ing: "I know My own; My own know Me.



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,
 Choos - es to live with us in love,
 Yet He would deign with us to dwell
 Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,
 You, not the world, My face shall see.



Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.
 Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.
 With all His grace and His fa - vor.
 And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.
 My peace I leave with you. A - men."

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1 At the name of Je - sus Ev - 'ry knee shall bow,
 2 At His voice cre - a - tion Sprang at once to sight,
 3 Hum - bled for a sea - son, To re - ceive a name
 4 Bore it up tri - um - phant With its hu - man light,



Ev - 'ry tongue con - fess Him King of glo - ry now.
 All the an - gel fac - es, All the hosts of light,
 From the lips of sin - ners Un - to whom He came,
 Through all ranks of crea - tures To the cen - tral height,

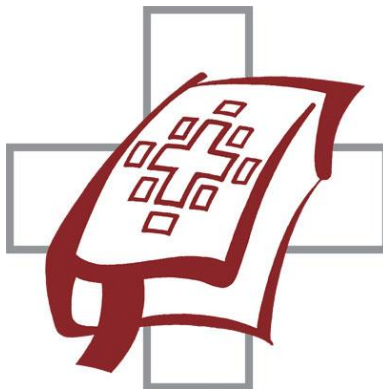


'Tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure We should call Him Lord,
 Thrones and bright do - min - ions, Stars up - on their way,
 Faith - ful - ly He bore it Spot - less to the last,
 To the throne of God - head, To the Fa - ther's breast,



Who from the be - gin - ning Was the might - y Word.
 All the heav'n - ly or - ders In their great ar - ray.
 Brought it back vic - to - rious When from death He passed;
 Filled it with the glo - ry Of that per - fect rest.

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5 In your hearts enthrone Him;
 There let Him subdue
 All that is not holy,
 All that is not true:
 Crown Him as your captain
 In temptation's hour;
 Let His will unfold you
 In its light and pow'r.

△7 Glory then to Jesus,
 Who, the Prince of light,
 To a world in darkness
 Brought the gift of sight;
 Praise to God the Father;
 In the Spirit's love
 Praise we all together
 Him who reigns above.

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6 Christians, this Lord Jesus
 Shall return again
 In His Father's glory,
 With His angel train;
 For all wreaths of empire
 Meet upon His brow,
 And our hearts confess Him
 King of glory now.

Stand

Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10] LSB 164



☐ 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.



C A - men.

Luther's Morning Prayer

C 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.

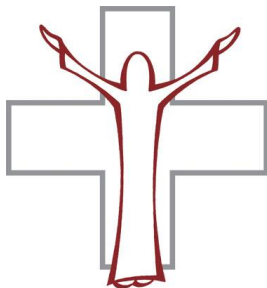
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Sit



475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

LSB 475



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
 can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



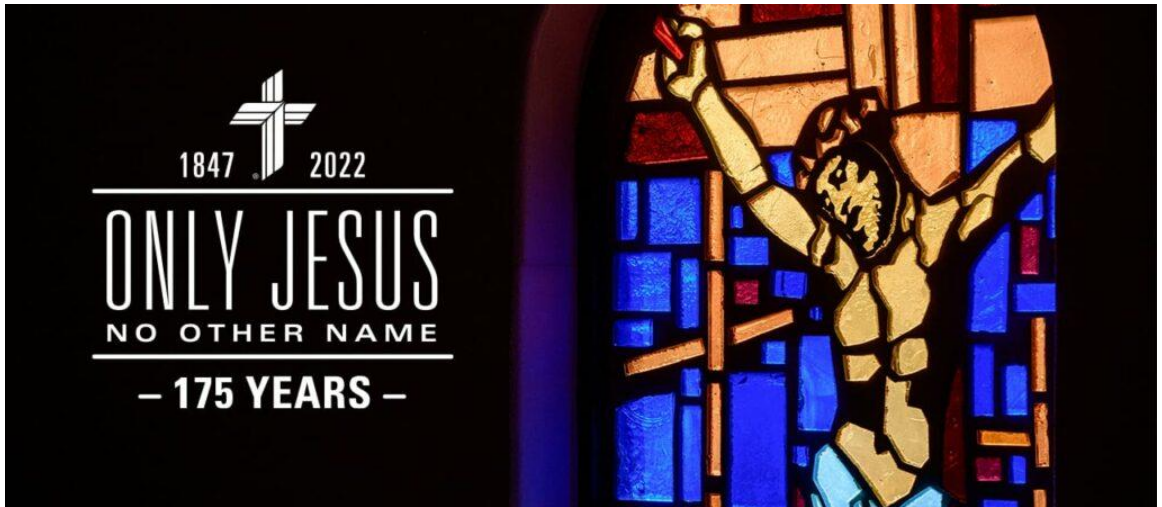
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175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LCMS: APRIL 26, 2022

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH–MISSOURI SYNOD (LCMS)
BELIEVES, TEACHES, AND CONFESSES FAITH IN
JESUS CHRIST AS TAUGHT IN THE SCRIPTURES
AND LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS.

AS WE GIVE THANKS FOR OUR SYNOD’S FOUNDING
ON APRIL 26, 1847, WE REJOICE IN THE
175TH-ANNIVERSARY THEME,
“ONLY JESUS: NO OTHER NAME,”
BASED ON ACTS 4:12.

-- Week at a Glance --

Sunday April 24th	8:00 & 10:30 am 9:15 am 3:00 pm 4:15 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 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)
Monday April 25th		
Tuesday April 26th	6:30 pm	Spring Concert at TLS <i>175th Anniversary of the LCMS</i>
Wednesday April 27th	4:00 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Confirmation WWF Choir Practice
Thursday April 28th	2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Chair Aerobics Pastor's Bible Class
Friday April 29th	11:00 am	Marjean Parker Funeral Service
Saturday April 30th	9:30 am 10:00 am	Women's Monthly Bible Study (at LaJean's home) Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
Sunday May 1st	8:00 & 10:30 am 9:15 am 11:30 am	Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults) Reception for Confirmands in Coffee Lobby <i>Confirmation Sunday</i>

Celebrating

Birthdays: Jennier H. (24th); Danica H. (25th); Barbara B., Taylor S., Brenda Z. (27th); Brooklyn W. (28th); Pastor Ben (29th); David B., Nancy C. (30th); Jason K. (1st)

Baptism Birthdays: David C., DelRay C., Lillian C., Maelyn G., Ciara S., KeyShawn S., Amya T. (25th); Kendra M., Charlotte R. (27th); Carter C., Melissa F. (29th); Bessie T., Thad C. (30th)

Anniversaries: Casey & Robyn F. (28th); Frank & Lisa S. (29th); Chuck & Heather S., Eric & Bessie T. (30th)

-- Announcements --

Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

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)

Children (Pre-K through 6th grade) – Upstairs Education Wing
Youth (7th-12th grades) – Basement Youth Room

Pastor's Midweek Bible Study – RESUMES ON APRIL 28TH WITH A NEW STUDY

The Book of Daniel – Thursdays at 7 PM – Basement

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 christlcms.org/giving or contact the church office.

Confirmation Sunday

Celebrate our confirmands on Sunday, May 1st with a brief reception in the coffee lobby following the conclusion of our 10:30 AM worship service.

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.

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.

-- Announcements --

Schaefer Scholarship – Donate Now!

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Scholarship applications will be accepted on our website (christlcms.org/schaefer) through May 31, 2022.

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).

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!

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 24th (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.



Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka
First Friday Artwalk
May 6, 2022 5:30 – 8:00PM
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
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Showcasing Lutheran artists
from the Topeka area

-- Announcements --

TLS/CYC Update

The Lutheran School Association of Topeka (LSAT) voted unanimously to transition the Center for Young Children (CYC) Gage to the Roosevelt campus during their meeting on April 7, 2022. The LSAT recognizes the important need that CYC meets for TLS families and for the Topeka community, and the goals for this transition are to ensure its on-going viability and to enhance its partnership with TLS. The financial and enrollment challenges over recent years have been exacerbated with the impact of the COVID pandemic, resulting in a need to streamline operations. This transition not only allows the CYC to operate with a smaller operational footprint it helps to enhance the entire organization.

The Roosevelt CYC will utilize the four classrooms located in the west entrance hall. During operations hours the restrooms in that hall will only be used by CYC students and staff. The plan calls for the CYC Roosevelt to begin operation on Tuesday July 5, 2022. The CYC Gage last day will fall sometime the week before. The LSAT's goal is to ensure that service interruption is minimal.

CYC Roosevelt will be able to serve children from year one (walking) through PreK. The estimated enrollment on the first day of operation at the Roosevelt campus is 43. Some building modifications and updates will be completed prior to the transition including:

- Updating the smoke alarm system in the CYC rooms
- Installing sinks in two of the classrooms
- Expanding the playground to create a toddler playground
- Relocating the current TLS teacher workroom for the CYC Director
- Some painting of rooms and common space
- Relocating equipment, furniture, and other classroom materials from Gage
- Getting all four rooms licensed for operation

The board is looking forward the strengthening of our organization by this transition which will continue to allow the children of our congregations and the Topeka community to hear about Jesus every day and receive quality care.

Additional questions can be directed to the LSAT board email (schoolboard@topekalutheran.org) and a response will be provided timely.

Thank you,
LSAT Board

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!

-- Announcements --

Status of TLS Boiler Replacement

Thank you from the TLS LSAT Board and Faculty for the tremendous outpouring of gifts to help with the school's boiler replacement expense. The goal to raise the needed \$85,000 has been met and contractor has been authorized to proceed with ordering a new steam boiler system. As requested by the Board, any additional gifts received over and above this amount will be set aside in a separate fund to use for the school's capital improvements as approved by the LSAT Board.

New Principal at TLS

The Lutheran School Association of Topeka (LSAT) board is delighted to announce that Mr. Kyle Johnson has signed the contract to be the next Executive Director and Principal for Topeka Lutheran School. Mr. Kyle Johnson has spent his career thus far as a middle school teacher in the Seaman School District where he currently is the Gifted Facilitator at Seaman Middle School. Mr. Johnson is a Topeka native and lifelong Lutheran attending Calvary Lutheran as a child. He is now a member of St. John's Lutheran Church where his wife, Bethany, serves as the called Kantor. They have three children Luke, Matthew, and Claire.

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), 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.), Ted M., Carolyn S., Caleb (Dana N.'s nephew), 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.





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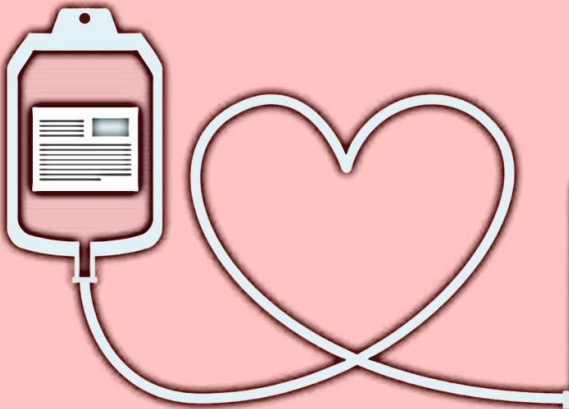
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That You May Believe and Have Life in His Name

On the Lord's Day, St. John the apostle was given a revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God, the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. He is the Living One, *"the firstborn of the dead"* (Rev. 1:5). He died for all people, and behold, He is alive forevermore! Therefore, He has *"the keys of Death and Hades"* (Rev. 1:18). For His death atoned for sin and conquered death, and in His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to us. The *"sharp two-edged sword"* of His mouth (Rev. 1:16) calls you to *"believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,"* that by such faith *"you may have life in his name"* (John 20:31). To that end, He sends His ministers of the Word, as the Father sent Him, *"to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins"* (Acts 5:31).

Worship Attendance – Sunday, April 17th

6:30 AM -- 26

8:00 AM -- 134

10:30 AM -- 119

Stewardship Corner

<i>Budgeted Weekly Needs:</i>	\$ 8,337
<i>Offerings Received – Week of 4/17</i>	\$ 7,530

<i>Budgeted Needs (Jan-Mar 2022)</i>	\$ 108,384
<i>Offerings Received (Jan-Mar 2022)</i>	\$ 109,085

John 20:19 – “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” Fear is the opposite of faith. That is, the kind of cringing fear we have in the face of something that is hostile to us and more powerful than we are. Jesus spends a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord's will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.