

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Third Sunday of Easter



WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning
the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!
Everybody Is Somebody Here

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” see insert

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

L: In the light of the Resurrection, with humility we confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Risen Lord,

C: We long to live into the power of your resurrection promises, but we are slow to let go of all that keeps us in the grip of death: anger, regret, envy, stubbornness, self-righteousness, exclusion, fear, and despair.

Forgive us, work in our hearts, and show us the joy which comes in believing your word of life.

L: People of God, hear the good news: Christ is arisen, and with him so are we! Receive and trust the word that in the name of Jesus Christ + you are forgiven.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands” see insert

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Risen Lord,

Your closest friends and followers were witnesses to all that you said and did in this life. Make us inheritors of their legacy of faith, that we too might spread with joy the news of your resurrection gospel. Amen.

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Kumbaya”

Sunday School

READING:

Psalm 4

- ¹ Answer me when I call, O God of my right!
You gave me room when I was in distress.
Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.
- ² How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?
How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?
- ³ But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself;
the Lord hears when I call to him.
- ⁴ When you are disturbed, do not sin;
ponder it on your beds, and be silent.
- ⁵ Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the Lord.
- ⁶ There are many who say, ‘O that we might see some good!
Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!’

L: The Word of our Lord C: **Thanks Be to God**

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 24:13-35

¹³ Now on that same day two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” ¹⁹ He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.”

²⁵ Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

L: The Good News of our Lord **C:** Thanks Be to God

MESSAGE

Pastor Brent Erler

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

see insert

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PEACE

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Luther Park Camp

OFFERING

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THE MEAL

God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



Serving Today

Pastor

Brent Eler

Assisting Minister

Dana Sahlin

Musician

Anne Nyquist

Sound and Video

Cheryl & Gerry Wills

*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

THE 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.**

BLESSING

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENDING HYMN

“Do Lord “

see insert

SENDING

POSTLUDE

Thanks to all of our musicians for their contribution to our service today!

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