Zion Lutheran Church

Mission: Creating Community Through God's Love and Guidance



Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

The Chancel of Zion Lutheran is beautified by gifts of flowers from the people of God:

Sue Bunkert in memory of Ronald Bunkert

Karen & Chuck Arnoldussen in memory of Lester & Joyce Timm

Hetzler Boys & their families in celebration of Marilyn Jens Hetzler

Hetzler Boys & their families in memory of Rev. Donald F. Hetzler

Dave, Paula, Amanda & Molly Kuba in memory of Gerald & Marlene Birkholtz

Grandchildren of Henrietta & Ted Jens & their families in memory of Henrietta & Ted Jens

Edna Baross in memory of her stepdaughter Christine & in celebration of children & family

Darlene Roehl in memory of her husband LeRoy & her daughter Cheryl

Clarence Klitzke Estate in memory of Clarence & Irene Klitzke

Tammy & Dennis Mossholder in memory of parents Jan & Dave Mossholder

John Gill in memory of Harriet & Alfred Gill, Carol Schroetter & Russell Gill

Len & Deb Reis in memory of Carleton & Helen Bork & Don & Nell Reis & in celebration of their children & grandchildren

Earl Miller in memory of his wife Janet

ORDER OF SERVICE

(The assembly speaks the bold print

PRELUDE

Trumpet: John Stecher
Choir Anthem: "Low in the Grave He Lay"
arranged by Robert Lowry

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN#365

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.

Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Holy God,

we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free.

We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold.

We speak in ways that silence others.

We are silent when we should speak up.

We keep score in our hearts.

We let hurts grow into hatred.

For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord.

Amen.

Here is a flood of grace:
Out of love for the whole world,
God draws near to us,
breaks every snare of sin,
washes away our wrongs,
and restores the promise of life through Jesus Christ.
Amen.

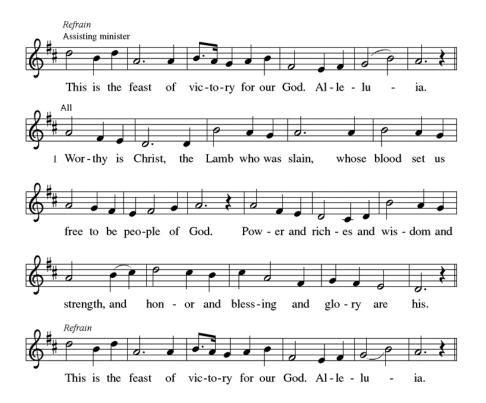
amen.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE-Continued on next page



PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43

A reading from Acts.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

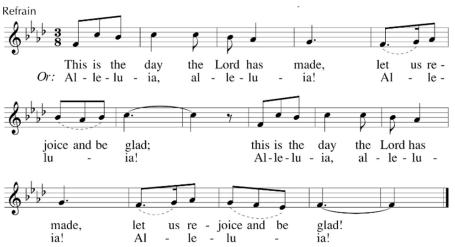
³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

"Let Us Rejoice"

Choir sings verses. Congregation sings refrain.



Verses

- Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's mercy endures for ever;
 Let the house of Israel say: "God's mercy endures for ever."
- 2. The hand of the Lord has struck with power, God's right hand is exalted, I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord.
- 3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, the Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes!

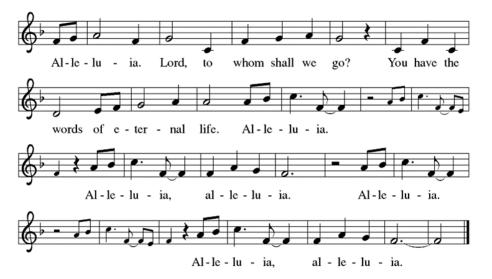
SECOND READING

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures. ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. 8Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." 3Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as vet thev did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 12 and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." 14When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her. "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."

¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Karen Jewell

HYMN OF THE DAY #361

"The Day of Resurrection"

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of Grace, hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

OFFERING

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Forth He Came at Easter" setting by J.M.C.Crum

OFFFRING PRAYER

Risen One,
you Call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

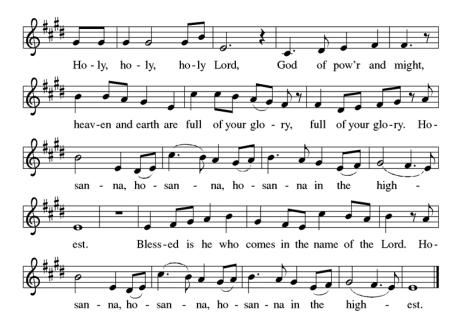
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

PREFACE

HOLY HOLY HOLY

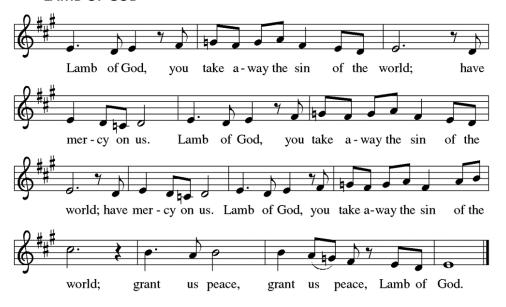


THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

LAMB OF GOD



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC #376

"Thine is the Glorv"

TABLE BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
bless you now and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN #367 "Now all the Vault of Heaven Resound"

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Creating Community through God's Love and Guidance — thanks be to God! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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Welcome!

We invite visitors to complete the card in the pew and put it in the collection basket. Thank You!

Announcements

The 2024 Combined Oshkosh/Appleton Conference Spring Event will be held on **Saturday**, **April 20**, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Oshkosh. We are located at 1860 Wisconsin Street. The conference will run 9:00 am-1:00 pm with registration from 8:00am-9:00am. The price for material and lunch this year will be \$20.00. Registrations should be postmarked by **April 8th**, **2024**. Please make checks payable to "Women of Christ Our Savior Church". The registration form is in the narthex. We are excited to share that our theme is "Good Neighbors", based on the experience we have had over the past year of sponsoring a Syrian family.

The office will be closed on Monday, April 1st in observance of the Easter holiday.

Linwood Community (Fox Valley Lutheran Homes) is having some events in April. The first one is Monday, April 1st at 2:00pm. Their wellness Coordinator will present "Let's Laugh More" Please join them.

The Wisconsin Chapter of the Organ Historical Society will be having a recital/demonstration in the sanctuary on Thursday, April 5th at 4pm. All are welcome to attend.

The Fox Valley Lions Medical Equipment Locker provides access to medical equipment without charge to the residents of the Fox Valley communities. If you have any unused or unwanted medical equipment that is in good condition, please consider donating it to them. Hearing aid batteries can be donated and people can come in and request free hearing aid batteries. Currently, there are 13, 312 and some 675 batteries. For more information, please visit their website: https://sites.google.com/view/fvlml/home

You are Invited! Visit Lay School

Come visit the ECSW Lay School of Ministry courses in the month of April! You are welcome to join us in-person at Saint Andrew in Wausau, Christ the King in Combined Locks OR virtually April 12-13. Check out one course or several courses each month for FREE.

Courses include: Old Testament, Intro to Theology, Faith and Spirituality, Liturgy and Life, Faith in Action, Experiencing the Bible with Fresh Ears AND Bible Stories Jesus Knew. For more information about the courses go to ecswlavschool.org. To register or if you have any questions, please email layschool@ecsw.org the Wednesday before classes.

ThedaCare At Home is seeking hospice volunteers in the Fox Valley and the surrounding communities to assist in caring for terminally ill patients and their families. Our volunteers are an integral part of our hospice team as they visit patients in their homes and at long-term care facilities. Volunteers help to meet the emotional, spiritual and family needs of those on hospice by providing companionship and respite. They really are the heart of hospice! Training is provided, and helps build on a volunteer's experience and skills to learn about hospice philosophy, comfort care, and communication with patients and their families. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Shana Farrell via phone at 920-422-7583 or email at shana.farrell@thedacare.org to learn more about this oppor-

tunity and upcoming trainings.

Monday, April 1 Wednesday, April 3 Sunday, April 7

Acts 4:32-35: Ps 133 1 John 1:1-2:2: John 20:19-31 Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am Worship Service 9:00 am followed by Coffee Hour Sunday School & Confirmation Office Closed for Easter Holiday

Tower RingerZ Rehearsal 4:15pm Second Sunday of Easter Pastor Asher O'Callaghan **Assisting Ministers:** Acolyte: Ava Dorn Musician: William Surtees

Opens: Closes: