

The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 15, 2018

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

VISITORS AND MEMBERS

As we join in offering up our worship to our Lord and Savior, we welcome you. Please fill out the attendance cards before the offerings are gathered. Include the names of all your family in attendance and pass the cards to the center aisle. The ushers will collect the cards after the offerings have been gathered. Guests, visitors, and members are encouraged to make their prayer requests known on the reverse side of the card.

AS WE GATHER

Do you think of yourself as a “child of God”? God encourages us to think this way. It is how He regards us. This great honor has many implications for life and eternity. As children of God it is right to seek the fellowship of other children of God and right to come together to speak to our Father and to learn from Him. May that be your experience today.

PRESERVICE MUSIC *“Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing”* *by Paxton*

WELCOME

Today’s service uses portions of Divine Service II

✠ PREPARATION ✠

OPENING HYMN *“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”* *(LSB 477)*

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **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.**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

HYMN

“He Is Arisen! Glorious Word”

(LSB 488)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

✠ **WORD** ✠

FIRST READING

Acts 3:11-21

pew Bible page 772

(following the reading ...)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 John 3:1-7

pew Bible page 863

(following the reading ...)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:36-49

pew Bible page 749

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(following the reading ...)

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

“Children of God”

1 John 3:1-7

Intro: What is more dangerous, thinking too little of yourself or too much?

I. A Child of God

- A. All are God’s creation*
- B. All are loved by God*
- C. But only those connected to Christ are truly children of God*
- D. What an honor it is to bear that name*

II. Are we His?

- A. Marked by the Holy Spirit*
- B. The preponderance of evidence*
 - 1. Baptism*
 - 2. Intellectual faith*
 - 3. Spirit testifies with our spirit*
 - 4. We confess Him as Savior and Lord*
 - 5. We love God*
 - 6. We start to love others*
 - 7. Sin bothers us*
 - 8. And more*
- C. Where should we put our confidence?*

III. We are heading toward what we will be

- A. We will be like Him*
- B. Because of this we purify ourselves*
 - 1. By resisting sin*
 - 2. By confessing failures to resist*
- C. The children of God will not be evil*

What is some of the evidence that you are a child of God?

How does knowing that you are loved by God make you feel about yourself?

RESPONSE OF FAITH *Nicene Creed*

**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.**

OFFERING

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”

by Leatherman

Please acknowledge your attendance with us by completing an attendance card found next to the hymnals. When completed, pass cards to the center aisle so that they may be collected by the ushers following the offering. Thank-you. *****To give securely online, give through the Redeemer app. Or text “LCOR” to 77977 on your smartphone. Follow the link provided to our secure site.*****

OFFERTORY *“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”* (LSB 955, tune LW page 187)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

✠ **SACRAMENT** ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension in heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 PEACE OF THE LORD

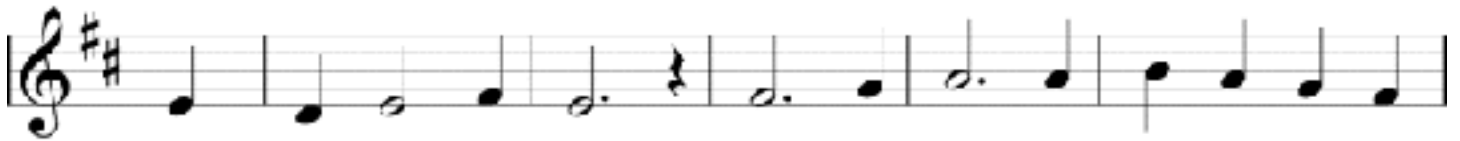
Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI



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, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

PLEASE NOTE: Because the sacrament can be taken to one's spiritual harm if not properly understood, *1 Corinthians 11:27*, we ask all visitors to refer to our statement of belief found inside the back cover of this service folder before communing. We are eager for you to participate fully in every aspect of this ministry, but we do not want to compromise any portion of God's Word among us.

Those communing are invited to kneel or stand as you receive this sacred meal. Those wishing to receive the common cup should decline the individual cups when they are offered. If you

receive the individual cup, please hold onto it and dispense the cup in the tray held by the acolyte as you exit the side door. Children are invited to come forward and receive a baptismal blessing.

For those who prefer not to have alcohol, there is white grape juice in the cups toward the center of the tray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“To God Be the Glory”

by Fanny J. Crosby and William H. Doane

**To God be the glory - great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in.**

Refrain:

**Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus, the Son,
And give Him the glory - great things He hath done!**

**O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *(Refrain)***

**Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *(Refrain)***

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*“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”*

*(LSB 549 v.1-5)
(LSB 633)*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN *“Go My Children with My Blessing”* (LSB 922)

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POSTLUDE *“Festivity on ‘Come Thou Fount’”* *by Wagner*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome visitors! Please stop by our Welcome Center just outside the Sanctuary in our Gathering Area. We would love to meet you and give you more information on our church! Thanks for coming!

Today is ALMS Sunday.

The UE Study Lounge will be held in our Fellowship Hall April 25 - May 2. Volunteers and donations are needed! Please see the sign up sheets in the Gathering Area.

The Mary Circle will meet in Room 108 immediately following 8am worship on Sunday April 29th.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Phyllis Brown in celebration of her birthday on April thirteenth.

A NURSERY, ATTENDED BY A LOVING STAFF, is available for the care of your little ones. It is located in the southwest corner of the Education Wing and is clearly marked. Please use this service at your convenience or when you find that the younger members of your family are disturbing your time of worship. The nursery is equipped to accept infants and toddlers through the age of three.

COFFEE & DONUTS

Sunday Mornings in the Fellowship Hall 9:00AM - 9:15AM

9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AGES 2 AND UP

Sunday Morning Live! Toddler Class (2-3 year olds) with Cindy Deig
in Room 103 downstairs across from the Redeemer Preschool Rooms
SML! for Preschoolers - 4th Graders in Room 208 upstairs
5th - 8th Graders in Middle School Bible Class in Room 202 upstairs
9th - 12th Graders in the High School Bible Class in the Youth Room (204) upstairs

THIS WEEK'S ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

- Praying with the Scripture with Pastor Tom in the Fellowship Hall

Kairos Outside Southern Indiana



KAIROS OUTSIDE of Southern Indiana

A Christian ministry for women whose lives have been impacted by incarceration.

Offering taken at Adult Bible Studies this month will benefit Kairos Outside Women's Ministry.

† In Our Prayers †

Illness and Recovery

John and Carol Wittenbraker

Charlie Walker

Tom Southwell

Gary Goldey

Julia Crane (grandmother of Julia Hoagland)

Mrs. Kerchief (schoolteacher of Nicholas Shelton)

Hannah and Grace (nieces of Betsy Emhuff)

Those with cancer - Jerry Mills, Betty Roeder, Peter Embry, Jay Mitchell, Mary-Margaret Lewis, Carol Marks, Terri, Richard, Meloni Cassidy, Lynell, John Moehlenkamp, Jill Ernst, Allison, Anita, Karen Jerger, Gary Robinette, **Donna Viehe**, Nolan Williams, Sarah, Helen Shelton, Diane Gearheart, Amy Higgins, Lucille, Jack and Pat Crocker, Joe D'agostino, Susan, Debbie, Jax Brunson, **Linda Bryan**, Paul Roscoe, Chuck Goddard, Aaron Aldridge, Bob Quick, Cheri Howe, Sharon Rohr, Amy Green, Terry Harty, Ethel Taylor, Mike Dietsch, Carrie, Jerry Funkhouser, Janice Adamson, Destiny Jenkins, Becky Burdick, Debby Gregory, Joni Mills, Judy Hrvatin, Michelle White, Don Hess, Deborah Bowman, Gina Gibson, Robin Lawrence, Steve Ferree

Intercession

For Pastor Kurtis Buelmann and his family as he prepares to join us here!

Serving Today

April 15, 2018

8:00 am Traditional Worship:

Worship Assistant: Lindsey Prentice
Greeters: Dennis and Tonya Shelton, Roger and Kandy Domina
Attending Elder: Marc Johnson
Serving Communion: Mike Buente, Erwin Kranawetter, Tony Shull, Don Sickman
Communion Cleanup: Jan Corson
Ushers: Jeff Kappler, Doug Boom, Tom Wink, Zach Peters
Organist: Molly Wilson
Coffee Maker: June Schwengel
Visitor Center: BethAnn Langlois

Serving Next Sunday

April 22, 2018

8:00 am Traditional Worship:

Worship Assistant: Sarah Prentice
Greeters: David & Kelley Greer, Wayne & Leanne Tharp, Tom Wink
Attending Elder: Jeff Kappler
Ushers: Jeff Kappler, Doug Boom, Tom Wink, Zach Peters
Organist: Molly Wilson
Coffee Maker: Brenda Turpin
Visitor Center: Scott Kempin