

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter

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All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace Is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God. God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise, prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here! We hope your time with us is a blessing, and that you will come back soon.

We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors—please use the Live Stream 'Attendance Info Form (www.allarewelcome.org under the Live Stream tab) today. Members—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive Holy 'Communion. In addition, use the form for prayer requests, hymn requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any communication with the office or pastor.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE Blessed Eddie Kim

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,
holy and merciful,
holy and mighty,
you are the river of life,
you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams.

Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.

Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.

Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.

Where despair prevails, grant hope.

Where chaos reigns, bring peace.

We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

ELW #531

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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen

¡Aleluya! Cristo resucitó



- 2 La Magdalena fue a llorarlo y Cristo se le apareció; le pidió ir a sus hermanos con un encargo que le dio. Estribillo
- 3 A los discípulos, de tarde, Cristo también se presentó. Les enseño las cinco heridas; dando la paz los saludó. Estribillo
- 4 Tomás no estaba en ese encuentro; y ver, pidió, para creer. Cristo volvió, le dijo: "Mira, palpa mi herida y ten fe." Estribillo

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you claim us as your

children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the

resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with

you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

READING: 1 John 3:1-3

A reading from 1 John.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of

God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that

it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has

not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will

be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him

purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

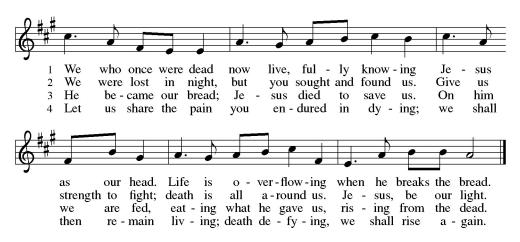
The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Joanne Richmond

We Who Once Were Dead



5 Jesus, you were dead, but you rose and, living, made yourself our bread, in your goodness giving life though we were dead. 6 This is your design; in this meal we meet you. Be our bread and wine, Jesus, we entreat you. This shall be our sign.

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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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Response to each petition is Lord, Be Glorified, ELW #744)

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life.

God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.

God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people.

God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our song, Lord, be glorified today.

God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in ministry. Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your church, Lord, be glorified today.

God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died. As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

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DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup
is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

PRE-COMMUNION HYMN

ELW #481

Come to the Table



Come to the ta-ble of mer-cy, pre-pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun-gry and thirst-y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re-ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942

Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956

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COMMUNION

You may come forward for communion using the center aisle. After receiving bread from Pastor, please take an empty glass from the small table. If you prefer grape juice, take a full glass. Proceed to the person with the pouring chalice. After receiving your wine/blessing, place your empty glass in the basket you will see as you walk toward the side aisle.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God,
in you we live and move and have our being.
With your word and this meal of grace,
you have nourished our life together.
Strengthen us to show your love

and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

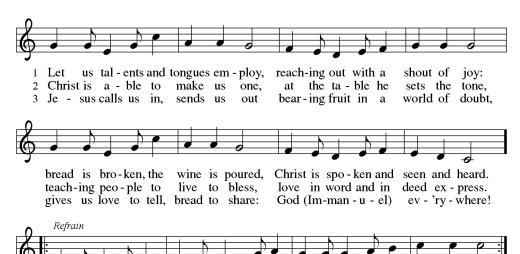
BLESSING

The God of all,
who raised + Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation.

Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #674

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929
Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925−1980
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Living One.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

I am a Child of God

Brice and Cherlyn Harding

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+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+

Presiding Minister: Pastor Joanne Richmond

AV Team: Asa and Fox Zinniel

Coffee Fellowship: Altar Guild III

Communion Assistant: Deb Wollin

Pianist: Dr. Eddie Kim

Reader/Prayer Reader: Kim Grapes

CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

As our congregation grows (in-person, online, and via the telephone), the importance of clear communication is a must, especially in worship. We are thrilled to announce that the upgrades to Pastor Joanne's microphone have been successfully completed. The next time you join us for worship, listen closely and let us know how this enhanced audio experience is working. Thank you for your support and patience during this process.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) PERSONAL CARE KITS UPDATE

We have been collecting items for Lutheran World Relief's Personal Care Kits. Our goal was to assemble 100 kits. **And we did it!** Items were collected to complete **103 kits**. Thank you for your continued support and generosity of this important mission!

GAME DAY TODAY!

Sunday, April 14, 2024, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Join us for some fun, fellowship, and games. All ages welcome! Bring a snack or game to share, or just bring yourself!

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, April 20, 4:30 – 6:30pm—Fellowship Hall

Join us for a family movie night (all ages and stages welcome) that is fun for everyone! A light dinner and snacks will be provided. For more information, please call/text Jessica at 608.738.1016

GAME DAY II

Sunday, April 21, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Join us for a family game day (all ages and stages welcome) that is fun for everyone, especially when there's a little friendly competition involved! Bring your favorite board game and/or a snack to share, or just bring yourself!

PEACE GARDEN FIRE PIT

Friday, April 26, 6—8pm—Peace Garden

There will be fixings for s'mores (and grilled hot dogs too), outdoor games, and lots of fun! Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your friends and family for a great night together around the campfire

OSLC HIKING GROUP

Sunday, April 28, 1:30pm—TBD

We're hosting an afternoon hike welcome to beginner hikers, seasoned veterans and everyone in between! Stay tuned for more details.

CINCO DE MAYO POTLUCK – A CULTURAL CELEBRATION Sunday, May 5, 10:15am – Fellowship Hall

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with your church family! This potluck event is for us to all come together and celebrate the vibrant culture of Mexico, including its rich history and traditions. Come enjoy lively music, fellowship, and feasting. Please bring your favorite Mexican-themed dish or dessert to share. If you need help with ideas call/text Dala Hynek at 608.385.8103 for simple recipe ideas.

Cinco de Mayo is a celebration of the Mexican victory over French forces at the Battle of Puebla, on May 5, 1862

OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 14, 2024

9:30am Worship/HC

10:15am CF

10:15am Game Day **6:30pm** Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

<u>Monday</u>

9am—1pm Office Open **10am—12 noon** Gas Vouchers

Tuesday

9am-1pm Office Open
1—5pm WCC Open
4:15—5:15pm Dine In/Carry Out
5:15—5:30pm Carry Outs Only

Wednesday

9am-1pmOffice Open12 noonWorship/HC1pmArt & Faith6pmChurch Office

Thursday

9am—1pm Office Open **1:30pm** WELCA meeting

<u>Friday</u>

Church Office Closed
Pastor's Sabbath

4:30pm Dinner & Movie Night

<u>Saturday</u>

9am—1pm WCC Open

Sunday, April 21, 2024

9:30am Worship/HC

10:15am CF

10:15am Game Day **6:30pm** Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion CF—Coffee Fellowship CFS—Come For Supper WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Ann Fluekiger, Athena Burg, Bev Hanson, Carol Kant, Casey Kanter, Cheryl Zoerb, Cindy Moe, Dale Duresky, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Debbie Dukatz, Erik Rudrud, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, Jane Speer, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jennifer Farley, Jessie, John A., Joyce Gosman, Juliana A., Karen Geoglein, Kilian Crary, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Rich Pitz, Robert Onsrud, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sally Vaaler, Sandy Kjos, and Tom Cade

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Gabriel W. Kleven, Greg Phillips, Ricky Macon, and Stacie Phillips

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dallas EllefsonApril 14Sue BrobeckApril 15Kimberly RichardsApril 15Tarah HillApril 19