

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 27, 2025 9:30am

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA 612 Division St. | La Crosse, WI | 608.782.3468 www.oursaviorslutheranchurch.net "Our mission is to make the love of Christ known to all as we worship, serve and grow together."

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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+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+ Presiding Minister: Pastor Joanne Richmond AV Team: Asa and Fox Zinniel Communion Assistant: Lois Losby Pianist: Dr. Eddie Kim Prayer Reader: Jeanne Johnson

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE Take my Life and Let It Be

Frances Ridley Havergal (1874)

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, **make us one as you are one.** We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, **make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. **Amen.**

ELW #453

Baptized and Set Free



Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956 Music: BAPTIZED AND SET FREE, Cathy Skogen-Soldner Text and music © 1999 Augsburg Fortress.

GREETING

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

And also with you.



Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

Text: Bernard Kyamanywa, b. 1938; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: MFURAHINI, HALELUYA, Tanzanian traditional Text © 1968 Lutheran Theological College, Makumira, Tanzania, admin. Augsburg Fortress Tr. © 1977 Howard S. Olson, admin. Augsburg Fortress

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32

A reading from Acts

²⁷ When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God.



Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911 Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

PSALM 150

Let everything that has breath praise God

- ¹ Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple; praise God in the mighty firmament.
- ² Praise God for mighty acts;praise God for exceeding greatness.
- ³ Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with lyre and harp.
- ⁴ Praise God with tambourine and dance; praise God with strings and pipe.
- ⁵ Praise God with resounding cymbals; praise God with loud clanging cymbals.
- ⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

Thine the Amen



Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926 Music: THINE, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929 Text and music © 1983 Augsburg Publishing House, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8

A reading from Revelation

⁴ John 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, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. 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.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



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GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

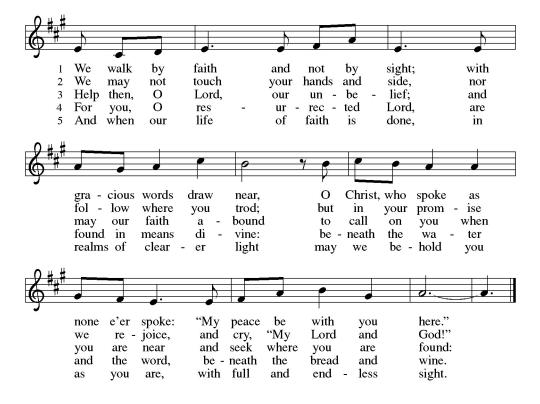
¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

We Walk by Faith



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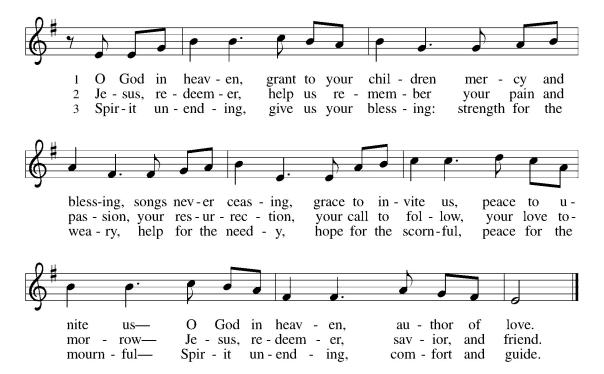
All Are Welcome

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and 3 Let us build a house where love is found in 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions
live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as
hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and
vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro-
Christ shall end di - vi - sions: claim the faith of Je - sus: Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come, end to fear and dan - ger: claim from floor to raf - ter:
all are wel-come in this place.

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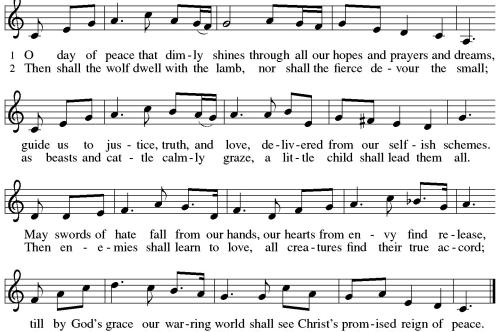
O God in Heaven



Text: Daniel T. Niles, 1908-1970, alt.

Music: HALAD, Ilonggo (Philippines) traditional, adapt. Elena G. Maquiso, 1961-2005 Text © 1964 Christian Conference of Asia. All rights reserved. Music © 1962 Elena G. Maquiso, admin. Augsburg Fortress

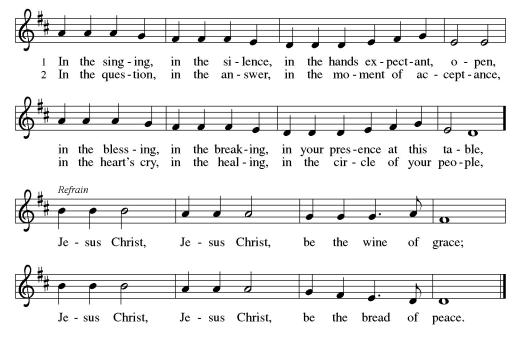
O Day of Peace



the hope of peace shall be ful-filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

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In the Singing



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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

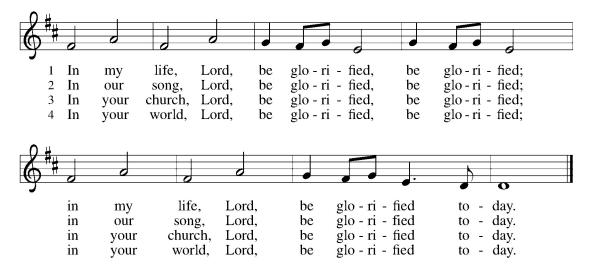
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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, Be Glorified



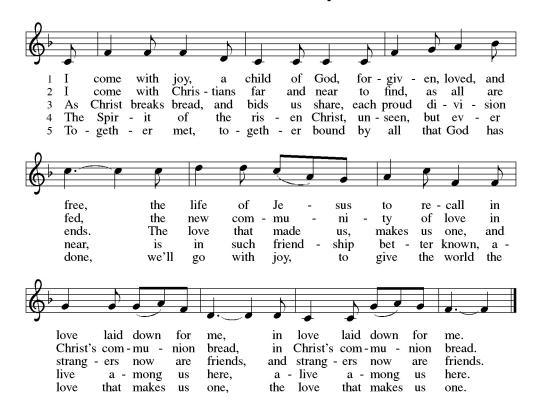
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COMMUNION

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

ELW #482



I Come with Joy

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

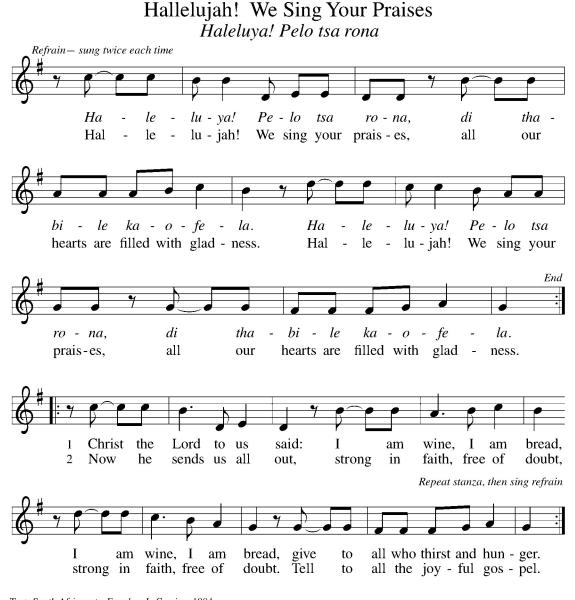
Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG

ELW #535



Text: South African; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984 Music: HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA, South African Tr. © 1984 Utryck, admin. Walton Music Corp.

BLESSING



Text: Orner Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt. Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune Text © 1964 World Library Publications, 3708 River Rd., Franklin Park, IL 60131-2158. All rights reserved.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Living One.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Hard Fought Hallelujah

Brandon Lake feat. Jelly Roll

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MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB

Join us after worship today (April 27) in the Sanctuary. All ages are welcome (especially infants, toddlers, and elementary-age school children) to come join us to discover the many different ways people can praise and serve God!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We are thrilled to welcome Kim Knutson into our church family! Kim recently moved to the northside of La Crosse. Please take a moment to greet and introduce yourself to Kim.

MONTHLY DONATION DRIVE: SUPPORTING THE HUNGER TASK FORCE

Each month, we have the opportunity to make a meaningful impact on our community by contributing to The Hunger Task Force. **May's item is brown rice.** Thank you for your continued support and commitment to serving others in love. Let's continue to make a difference together!

DORCAS SOCIETY, Wednesday, May 7, 6:30pm—Fellowship Hall

We hope you had a blessed and joyful Easter! May's Dorcas Society meeting will focus on planning upcoming events, and we would love your input and participation. **Doors will open at 6pm**, offering a time for fellowship before we begin. As always, **everyone is welcome**—whether you're a regular attendee or joining us for the first time! Come be part of the conversation and community.

OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 27, 2025		
9:30am	Worship/HC	
10:15am	Prayer Club	
10:15am	Coffee Fellowship	
6:30pm	Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.	
<u>Monday</u> 9am—1pm	Office Open	
<u>Tuesday</u> 9am—1pm	Office Open	
1—5pm	WCC	
4pm	CFS Doors Open	
4:15—5:15pm	CFS Meal Served	
5:15—5:30pm	CFS Carry Outs	
<u>Wednesday</u> 9am—1pm 12 noon	Office Open Worship/HC	

Thursday 9am—1pm Office C

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<u>Friday</u> Pastor/Staff Sabbath

<u>Saturday</u> 9am—1pm WCC open

Sunday, May 4, 2025

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9:30am	Worship/HC	
10:15am	Coffee Fellowship	
6:30pm	Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.	

Calendar Notations: HC—Holy Communion CFS—Come For Supper WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Athena Burg, Bev Hanson, Casey Kanter, Cindy Moe, Cindy Vieth, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Dottie Pierce, Erik Rudrud, Esther Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, George, Inara, Kjersten, and Kaden D., Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jeff Kent, Jim Garson, Jim Radatz, Joyce Gosman, Juliana & John A., Karen Geoglein, Kate and Kalvin, Katie White, Kilian Crary, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Monica & Jack, Morris Buros, Peggy Kneifl, Pete Harman, Rich Pitz, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, Tom Cade, and Vera Wensole

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

Lucy Radatz, Robert Suter, and James Anderson

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

Gabriel W. Kleven, **Greg** Phillips, **Ricky** Macon, **Stacie** Phillips, and **Tom** Rudrud

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Liz Culver	April 27
John Bahr	April 29
Chris Krueger	April 30
Dennis Baehr	May 1