



First Lutheran Church

We are believers seeking to invite all into the caring, sharing and growing ways of Christ.

Easter Sunday

April 4, 2021

8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am

Prelude

L: Christ Is Risen!

All: ***Christ Is Risen Indeed!*** (3x)

Welcome

Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

ELW 365

Call to Worship

L: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

All: ***Merciful God, who raised Jesus from death and enthroned him Lord of Life; help us reflect your Son's selfless love as we share his body and blood here, and as we share our lives with those who need us most.***

L: Grant, O loving God, that the glory of the Risen Lord may shine from the faces and lives of your followers.

All: ***Help us, O Lord, to celebrate your gift of life and love for all people, that all may know the wonders of your grace. Amen.***

Hymn

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! (v. 1-2)

ELW 382

Prayer of the Day

Reading

Psalm 118:17, 21-24

"The word of the Lord" Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (v. 1)

ELW 392

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:1-12

Response after the announcement: ***Glory to you, O Lord.***

Response after the reading: ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Special Music (9:30)

Was It a Morning Like This?

Sermon

Hymn

Thine Is the Glory

ELW 376

The Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Prayer (sung 9:30 & 11)

Benediction

Hymn

I Know that My Redeemer Lives (v. 1-4, 8)

ELW 619

Distribution



Announcements

April 4, 2021

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Dave & Becky Gifford in memory of their daughter, Sandra Kae. The school bus accident in which she died was on April 2nd, 35 years ago.

Prayer List: John Doyle, Curt Sorum, Sierra Waege (granddaughter of Dorothy and Harlen Barck), Vi Thomasson, Val Krogstad, Darlene Newman (sister of Janet Landby), Oliver Navarrete (great grandson of Harlen & Dorothy Barck), Jeanette Meyer (mother of Steve Meyer), Brian Brandt, Dorwin Swenson (father of Jason Swenson), Jerry Vogel, Bob Reimler, Eberhard Koch (father-in-law of Erin (Wright) Koch), Noah Koch (grandson of Lon & Diane Wright), Kathy Zens (sister of Lori Lerohl), Evelyn Zupfer, Lisa Myhrberg, David Gonzales (brother of Caroline Munson), Sean David Doyle, Keith Johnson (father of Stella Miller), Chad Drake, Kim Christianson, Jane Linder (mother of Penny Sommervold), John Anderson (brother of Jeff Anderson), Charity Bolden (daughter of Steve & Barb Glaeser), David Erickson (nephew of Marlene Erickson), Jan Eick Cecil (mother of Gary Eick), Paige Christianson, Sara Whitesitt, Wayne Hansen (father of Krista Bjella), Libby Isenberg (daughter of Helen Pedersen), David Reaves (at the death of his mother Lorraine Reaves).

Thank you for serving!	8:00am	9:30am	11:00am
Greeters & Ushers	Doug Anderson Scott Kuecker	Rick & Heather Purrington Carol Purrington	Pam Neet
Lectors	Peggy Anderson	Rick Purrington	Linda Bloom-Scott
Communion Assistants	Peggy Anderson Julie Kuecker Twila Henning	Karl & Shirley Porisch Dave & Diane Taylor Jason Swenson	Linda Bloom-Scott Matt & Melanie Pedersen
Music	Susan Jones Elizabeth Maxwell	Rosie Sorum Connie Knott Abigail Adkins Diane Wright	Rosie Sorum Linda Bloom-Scott
Video & Audio		Steve Hamner, Ed Henning	
Projection	Dennis Jensen		
Altar Guild	Eileen Fuhrman, Sharon Miller, Rolly Muller		

Monday April 5

Office Closed

Tuesday April 6

10:00am Staff Meeting

5:00pm Worship & Music Committee

Wednesday April 7

6:30am Women's Bible Study
2:30pm TLC (A)
6:00pm 6th Grade Milestone Class
6:00pm Confirmation
7:00pm HS Bible Studies
8:00pm Senior High Alive

Saturday April 10

5:30pm Worship

Sunday April 11

8:30am & 10:45am Worship - 6th Grade
Milestone Celebration
9:30am TLC (A)
6:30pm Sr High Getting Ready Meeting

Monday April 12

7:00pm Esther Circle

Tuesday April 13

10:00am Staff Meeting

Wednesday April 14

6:30am Women's Bible Study
7:00am Men's Bible Study
10:00am Deborah Circle
6:00pm Confirmation
7:00pm HS Bible Studies
8:00pm Senior High Alive

Saturday April 17

9:00am Confirmation Retreat
5:30pm Worship

Sunday April 18

8:30am & 10:45am Worship

Hy-Vee gift cards are available throughout the year in the office. Proceeds will go toward the 2021 summer trip.

Experience a *Drawn to the Word* worship and artistic hour where Artist and Pastor Paul Oman will paint a larger-than-life sized mural for First Lutheran Church before your eyes on Sunday, April 18 at the 8:30am and 10:45am worship services. The story and theme will unfold artistically, musically, narratively and Scripturally during the event. All are welcome. Come and see! www.paulomanfineart.com

Benefit for Sean-David Doyle, April 18, 2021 at Wabasso Community Center
Sean-David was diagnosed with stage 4 Colon Cancer that has metastasized to his liver and lungs. Free will donation, meal and silent auction from 11am - 1:30pm.

Minnesota FoodShare Collection Month

March is Minnesota FoodShare Month. 2021 is the 40th Anniversary of this campaign. The campaign brings together numerous organizations to help stock the nearly 300 food shelves statewide. In 2020 more than \$21.5 million dollars and over 2.4 million pounds of food shelf items were collected. This year it will be held from **March 1-April 11, 2021**.

The Social Ministries Committee is again coordinating this event for First Lutheran Church. In the past we have called the event "Pack the Pews" and placed bags in the pews to be picked up and taken home to fill. Since we are still social distancing, there will be Green First Lutheran Bags located at the entries of the church for people to pick up. **Please collect items and return them to the church or deliver directly to the food shelf.**

Food Shelf Facts:

1. A monthly visit is meant to serve the family for 5 to 7 days.
2. Each family member receives an average of 37 pounds of food.
3. Each pound of food donated equals 1.3 meals.
4. Every dollar donated equals \$4 of food.
5. In 2020 the food shelf served 23 homeless families.
6. The “buying power” of the food shelf through Second Harvest can turn \$1 into \$20 to \$25 of food.

Donations to the Easter Garden fund have been given by:

Dave & Diane Taylor in honor of granddaughter Olivia Taylor Rooney's graduation

Leon & Judy Werner in memory of loved ones

Tom & Pam Odland in honor of medical workers during Covid

Jason, Amber, Leo & Brayden Swenson in memory of Sharon Swenson and loved ones

Helen Pedersen in precious memory of parents, grandparents, sisters and her husband

Susan, Kathy, Lindsay and their families in memory of Verlyn & Margaret Miller

John & Bonny Doyle in memory of their parents, O. Eloff & Mildred Johnson and J. Byron & Clara Doyle

Daughter Pat Lanoue and Grandson Scott Lanoue in memory of Leslie & Jean Neiman

Doug Heise in memory of Rosemary Heise and Margaret (Heise) Racette

Audrey Norris in honor of and thankfulness to all essential workers

Their children Doug, Don, Deb, Denise and their families in memory of Helen & Mervin Gilbertson

Steve & Janet Hamner in memory of Elaine & Carl Hamner and Clara & Allen Cady

Bob & Sandy Fenske in honor of First Lutheran Church Staff

Gail Schepker in memory of Joseph Schepker, Michael Schepker, and Jackie Solis

Ken & Sue Versaevel Family in memory of Elmer & Gwen Geistfeld and Bill & Clarice Versaevel

Karl & Shirley Porisch in memory of Adolphe & Imogene Porisch, Ronald & Dorothy Anderson, and Marilyn Green

Bill & Kathy Engler in memory of Bert Wille and Ed & Violet Engler

Carol Purrington in memory of nephew Jim Burns

David & Janet Landby in memory of their parents and honor of daughters, son-in-laws & grandchildren

Thompson Family in memory of Elroy Delon Thompson and James Dean Thompson

Today's Readings

Psalm 118:17, 21-24

¹⁷I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

"The Word of the Lord"

Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Luke 24:1-12

²⁴ But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Response after the announcement:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the reading:

Praise to you, O Christ.