

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ **Second Sunday of Easter** ✠

April 23, 2017

In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives, and in the Paschal Blessing at the close of the service. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.



*Inspired by Christ,
living and growing in faith,
we are a loving and open community
of worship, witness, and service in God's world.*



Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Please stand as
you are able.*

Gathering Hymn

Apostolic Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Please be seated.

✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers,
welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.
We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

Echo Fantasia

J. Sweelinck

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!

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

C: **And also with you.**

Almighty and eternal God, **the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Children's Sermon

Dismissal Song

Open Our Eyes, Lord

O - pen our eyes, Lord; we want to see Je -
sus, to reach out and touch him, and
say that we love him. O - pen our ears,
Lord, and help us to lis - ten. O - pen our
eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

Text: Bob Cull, b. 1949
Music: OPEN OUR EYES, Bob Cull, b. 1949

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1 Peter 1:3-9
This epistle offers encouragement to Christians who are experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ.

Reading

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand as you are able.



John 20:19-31

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

Please be seated.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel

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." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 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 my hand in his side, I will not believe."

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." 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." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 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."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 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.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.



Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able.

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 That, when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
may our faith a - bound to call on you when
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.
Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816

Prayers of the Church

Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need

A brief silence.

A: We pray for the church. Breathe your Spirit into us. Renew us with your power. Unite us in ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

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

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.



Please be seated.

Offering

My Savior and My God

Jay Althouse

My life, my love I give to Thee, Thou Lamb of God who died for me.

O may I ever faithful be, my Savior and my God,

O Thou who died on Calvary to save my soul and set me free,

I'll dedicate my life to Thee, my Savior and my God.

I live for Him who died for me how richer then my life will be.

I'll bow to Him on bended knee my Savior and my God.

Offertory

*Please stand as
you are able.*

This Joyful Eastertide

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
sprung to life this mor - row. Had Christ, who once was
slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in
vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; but now has Christ a - ris - en!

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848-1934
Music: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

Offertory Prayer

A: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more —
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand...
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here —
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead...
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! —
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Text: Per Harling, b. 1948
Music: Per Harling
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1.
Sing through one time, then lectern side sings 1 & 2, pulpit side sings 2 & 1



2.



Words of Institution

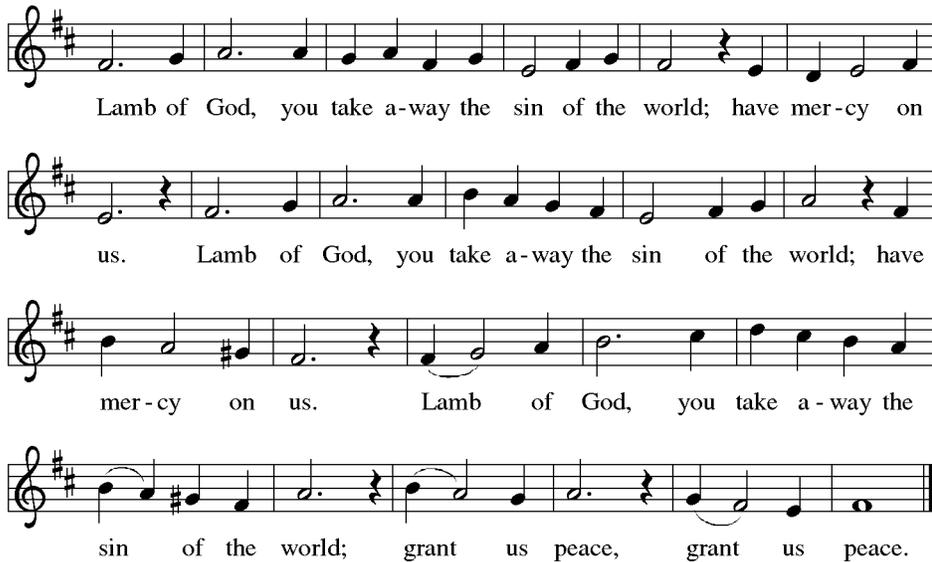
Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

Please be seated



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.

Communion: Meditation

Distribution

Communion is by common cup or intinction: For the common cup, receive a piece of the bread, and drink from the white chalice. For intinction dip the bread into the brown cup with the wine (dark) or grape juice (light) as you prefer, then eat. At Lake of the Isles, we practice open communion. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are welcome at this table.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**



Lamb of God

Communion Music

Please stand as you are able.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: O God, for our redemption you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin so that we may rise to live with Christ forever; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord makes his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Toccata on GROSSER GOTT

F. Peeters

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Pastor
Organist
Choir Director
Worship Assistant
Ushers
Altar Servers
Reader
Communion Assistants

Coffee Hosts

Rev. Arden D. Haug
Kenneth Vigne
Dawn Allan
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Patricia Nortwen
Marty Carlson, Deb Gilroy
and Kathy Hering
Michelle McCreery and Mark Duff

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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 23	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 pm	MMFT Recital	Sanctuary
MONDAY, APRIL 24	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Women's Bible study	Room 201
TUESDAY, APRIL 25	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Men's AA Group	Room 201
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26	10:0 am	Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice	Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY, APRIL 27	12:00 pm	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
	7:30 pm	Growlers & Theology	Parsonage
FRIDAY, APRIL 28	9:15 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room
	6:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary
SATURDAY, APRIL 29	4:00 pm	Sprain/Mawn Wedding	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, APRIL 30	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	3:30 pm	C. Huttner Student Recital	Fellowship Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Marlene Wilson, Maxine Peitso, Jane Schuldt, Shirley Carlson, LOTI members; Judy Reay and Lynne Williamson; friends of the Kuehn Family; **Linda Sabatke,** sister-in-law of Bruce and Mary Sabatke; **Connor Miller,** nephew of Michelle McCreery and Mark Duff.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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|--------------------|-------------------|
| Josh Wilcox 4/23 | Kylan Duff 4/23 |
| Dane Peterson 4/23 | Janna Haug 4/24 |
| Kayla Hoel 4/24 | Matt Rand 4/24 |
| Caroline Moen 4/25 | Eric Mechels 4/26 |

Brittany Fleck 4/27

Alice Gunter 4/29

Loved Ones In The Military
Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



STAFFED NURSERY AVAILABLE

Children are always welcome in worship. If the need arises, however, the Christy Room is staffed with a Nursery Attendant for your child. The Christy Room is located to the left of the sanctuary through the side door at the front of the church and across from the church office. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers to help you. There is a baby changing table available in the unisex restroom between the pastor's office and the sacristy.

**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED ON
SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH**

If you are interested in joining the congregation at LOTI, please contact the church office at 612 377-5095 or by e-mail at churchoffice@loti.org. New members will be received during the worship service on April 30th.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
SCAN TO GIVE**



**SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES:
LUTHER PARK BIBLE CAMP
DANBURY, WI**

All youth Grade 1-12 are invited to come to Luther Park the week of July 23. We will provide transportation to/from camp for Snooper week campers (Sun-Wed). Pastor Haug and Diane LaMere will come visit campers this week as well. Contact Diane or Pastor Haug before registering for other important details to include on registration form.

**"BLESSED 2 BE" SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS
DAY CAMP**

JUNE 19-23, 9:00AM-4:00PM (M-F)

This is a great option for our kids who aren't ready for an overnight camp at Luther Park. Day Camp is for kids entering Kindergarten through 8th grade. Day Camp will be hosted this year at Bethel Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Ave S., Minneapolis. Registration forms are at both entrances to the Sanctuary and also on our website (Children's Ministry/Summer Programs tab). Registration deadline is June 1.

OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING

The dates available for 2017 are: **July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, and November 3.**

Please let Cheri Moe know if you would like one of these dates to serve the people at Our Saviour's. Thank you! You can reach me at moeclana@aol.com / PH: 952-431-5226.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone in the congregation who helped out during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. A special thank you to those who helped serve soup suppers on Wednesday nights, Don Holzschuh and Jay Kenurth for preparing and serving the pancake breakfast on Palm Sunday, everyone who volunteered to sing and help during the many services, and Dane Peterson for all the extra cleaning.

Also, thank you to everyone who ordered flowers for Easter. There was an amazing response this year and we had 67 plants delivered. The sanctuary was especially beautiful on Easter Sunday.

**EXTENDED CALENDAR
OF LOTI CHURCH SERVICES**

& Events



April 23

Women's Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

April 27

Growler & Theology
7:30 p.m.

April 29

New Member Gathering
10:00 a.m.

April 30

New Members Received
9:30 a.m. Worship Service

God's Help, Our Hands

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