

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Second Sunday of Easter ✠ April 8, 2018

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.



The Cenacle or Upper Room in Jerusalem

*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

Baptismal Song of Thanks and Praise

*Please stand as
you are able.*

Gathering Hymn

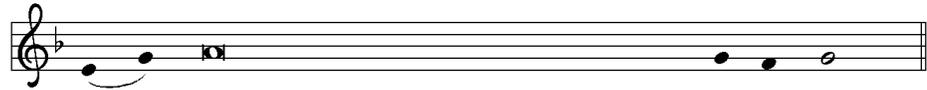
✠ Gathering ✠

*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.*

Prelude on Ode to Joy

K. Vigne

Paschal Blessing



As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.



Al - le - lu - ia.

On the first day of the week at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their face to the ground, the men said to them: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while you he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise."

God, We Praise You (Te Deum)

By Christopher Idle

Verse 1. All

God, we praise you, God, we bless you!
God, we name you sovereign Lord!
Mighty King whom angels worship,
Father, by your Church adored:
all creation shows your glory,
heaven and earth draw near your
throne,
singing, 'Holy, holy, holy,
Lord of hosts, and God alone!

Verse 3. Men

Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
everlasting Son of God,
humble was your virgin mother,
hard the lonely path you trod.
By your cross is sin defeated,
hell confronted face to face,
heaven opened to believers,
sinners justified by grace.

Verse 2. Women

True apostles, faithful prophets,
saints who set their world ablaze,
martyrs, once unknown, unheeded,
join one growing song of praise,
while your Church on earth confesses
one majestic Trinity:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
God, our hope eternally.

Verse 4. All

Christ, at God's right hand victorious,
you will judge the world you made;
Lord, in mercy help your servants
for whose freedom you have paid.
Raise us up from dust to glory,
guard us from all sin today;
King enthroned above all praises,
save your people, God, we pray!

Apostolic Greeting

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.**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

✠ 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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Acts 4:32-35
While the apostles testified to others about the resurrection of Jesus, the early Christian

Reading

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and

*community shared
what they owned.
or sold their*

*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.*

brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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!

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.**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able.



Please be seated.

Sermon

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

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

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Prayers of the Church

Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: Holy God, you speak peace in the presence of fear. Give us courage to testify to your grace ... 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.

Anthem

Because He Lives

Gloria and William Gaither

*God sent His son, they called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my savior lives*

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives*

*How sweet to hold a newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy He gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain day, because He lives*

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.**

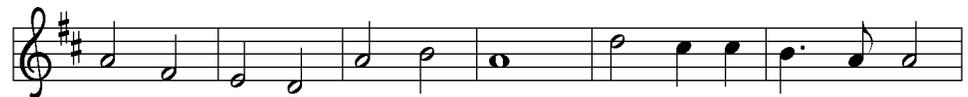
P: Lift up your hearts.

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...



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. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

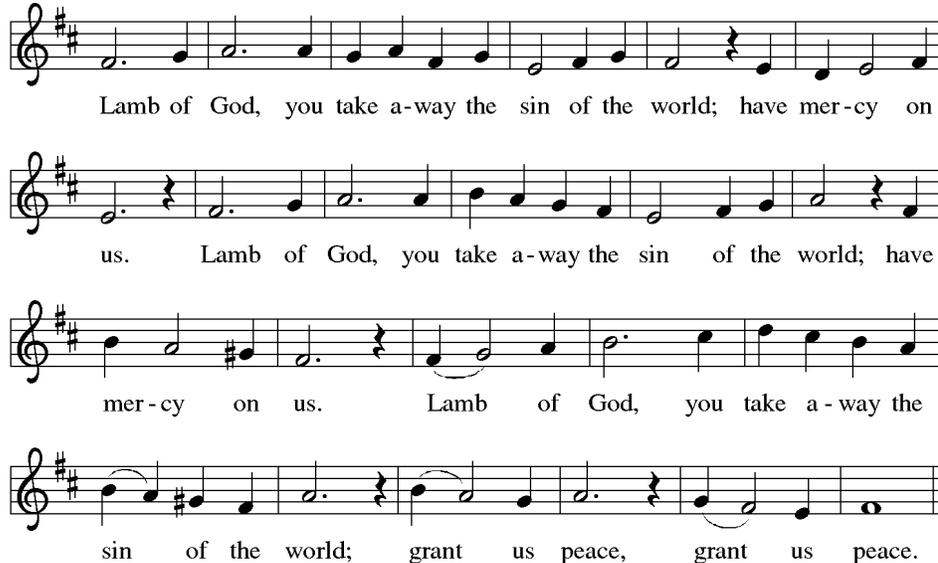
Lord's Prayer

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.

Lamb of God

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.**

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**

✠SENDING✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Communion Music

*Please stand as
you are able.*

Post-Communion Cantic

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let
ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927
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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

Little Prelude in C Major

J. S. Bach

*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

Rev. Arden D. Haug
Kenneth Vigne
Dawn Allan
Michelle McCreery

	Ushers	Anita Duder and Andrea Nyhusmoen
	Altar Servers	Kathy Hering
	Reader	Patricia Nortwen
	Communion Assistants	Carolyn Hagford, Nancy McCutcheon and Mary Sabatke
	Coffee Hosts	Ross Bartels and Brenda Weigel
CHURCH OFFICERS	President	Marty Carlson
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	Secretary	Jon Sprain
STAFF	Children's Ministry Director	Diane LaMere
	Caretaker	Dane Peterson
	Office Manager	Linda Nelson
	Nursery Attendant	Sheridan Swee

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 8	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, APRIL 9	2:00 pm	Isles Ensemble Concert & Reception	Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	B. Arney Men's Group	Christy Room
TUESDAY, APRIL 10	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
	9:15 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room
	9:30 am	Faith 'n Play	Sunday School Rooms
	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11	7:00 pm	Men's AA Group	Room 201
	10:0 am	Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
THURSDAY, APRIL 12	7:30 pm	Choir Practice	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 pm	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY, APRIL 14	7:30 pm	Growlers & Theology	Parsonage
	9:00 am	VASA Group Lunch	Fellowship Hall
SUNDAY, APRIL 15	1:00 pm	Knitting Group	Christy Room
	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	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, Shirley Carlson, LOTI members; **William Oliver Ulrich**, grandson of Cathy Carlson and Peter Van Bergen; **Molly Boylan; Judy Bigelow; Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jenny Cook; **Lynn Williamson**, family of

Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Emmie Burton**, friend of the Sabatkes; **Linda Sabatke**, sister-in-law of the Sabatkes.



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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, however, if the need arises, the Christy Room is available if you need to leave with 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. There is an alternate route to take from the narthex, (back of church)—follow the signs. 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 22TH**

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 22ND.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
SCAN TO GIVE**



OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING

The dates available for 2018 are: July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5 and November 2.

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 Cheri at moeclana@aol.com / PH: 952-431-5226.

**FAITH 'N PLAY
TUESDAY, APRIL 10
9:30 TO 10:30 A.M.**

PreK-K families - Come join us on Tuesday, April 10 for our final Faith'n Play this year. Whether you've come to all, some or none – we hope you can come to this one! We will explore and play in the story of when Jesus Blesses the Children. Please RSVP to Diane LaMere at diane.lamere@loti.org so she knows how many to plan for at this event.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VISITORS WELCOME!

Children who are visiting today, age 3 through 6th grade, are more than welcome to come to Sunday School. We do ask that a parent/guardian comes with their child after the Children's Message to check him/her into a classroom. Children will return to worship with their family at the start of Communion. If your child would prefer to remain in worship, please know that there are age appropriate worship materials at the kid's worship table in the Narthex (back of the Sanctuary). Welcome!

LUTHER PARK CAMP

LOTI youth Grade 1-9 are invited to come to Luther Park in Danbury, WI with Pastor Haug the week of July 22. We will provide transportation to/from camp for half week campers (Sun-Wed). Go to lutherpark.com to complete the registration form (type web address carefully so that you get the Luther Park in Danbury, WI). Please contact Diane LaMere or Pastor Haug before registering for other important details to include on the registration form.

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 Jake Kunerth 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 and we had 57 plants delivered. The sanctuary was especially beautiful on Easter Sunday.

Please take your plant home today if you have not already done so.

“WORKING” SERIES

“Working” is the theme of an ongoing speaker series in which people talk about what they do all day and how they feel about what they do. Many people within our congregation are engaged in fascinating work, and this series gives us an opportunity to learn more about what they do.

The next segment of the series will be Sunday, April 22nd featuring Mary Abbe Hintz. As art critic and art news reporter at the Star Tribune, Mary had the privilege and pleasure of writing for 32 years about artists, gallery shows, museum exhibitions, and cultural finances, buildings, personnel and politics. Before that she worked at Walker Art Center, the University of Chicago Press, and elsewhere. She retired from deadlines in 2016.

Mary’s talk will take place after a brief coffee break following the Sunday morning service. Those who are interested will be invited to take their coffee/tea into the Christy Room for about 45 minutes. The first 15-20 minutes will be an informal talk by Mary, leaving the remaining time for questions from those in attendance.

ISLES ENSEMBLE CONCERT & RECEPTION

**TODAY
2:00 P.M.**

**Alfred Schnittke - Suite in The Old Style
Mendelssohn – Piano Trio #2, in C Minor, Opus 66
Dvorak - String Quartet No. 13 in G Major, Opus
106**

Suggested Donation:

\$20 General Admission

\$15 Seniors

\$10 Students

For more information visit islesensemble.org or call 612 669-2836.

EXTENDED CALENDAR OF LOTI CHURCH SERVICES

& Events



April 8

Isles Ensemble Concert & Reception
2:00 p.m.

April 10

Faith ‘n Play
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

April 12 & 26

Growlers & Theology
7:30 p.m. at the Parsonage

April 15

Adult Forum at 11:00 a.m.
Trip to the Holy Land

April 19

Church Council Meeting
7:00 p.m.

April 22

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

April 27

Chris Colmenero and Natalia Salemmo
Recital at 7:00 p.m.

April 28

Torsk Dinner
5:00 p.m.

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