

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

★ Second Sunday of Easter ★ April 11, 2021

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.

¥ 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.

All Creatures of Our God and King

William Henry Draper (1855-1933) arr. Kartsonakis



Prelude

Welcome

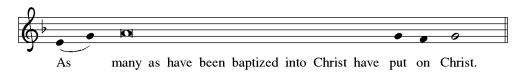
Call to Worship Paschal Blessing

Please stand as you are able.

Baptismal Song of

Thanks and Praise

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.





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."

Gathering Hymn



Christ the Lord is Risen Today. Alleluia!



Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt. Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

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.

₩ Word ₩

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

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Open Our Eyes, Lord



Text: Bob Cull, b. 1949

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

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Children's Message Please be seated.

Dismissal Song

Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection.

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

Please stand as you are able.

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.

¹⁹When 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 Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So 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." ²⁶A 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." ²⁷Then 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." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But 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.



Gospel

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.

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.

Sermon

Please be seated.

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.



Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.

Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816

Prayers of the Church

P: Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence.

- A: You shower your church with grace, O God. Unite the whole church on earth,... 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

Please be seated.

O filii et filiæ | Carol of St. Thomas

Jean Tisserand (d.1494) arr. Anthony Greening

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of Heaven, the glorious King, Over death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word .Alleluia!

"My piercèd side, O Thomas, see; My hands, My feet, I show to thee; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!

How blessed are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith has constant been; For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

Offertory

Please stand as you are able



This Joyful Eastertide



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

Offertory Prayer

A: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. **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 and salutary... we praise you name and join their unending hymn:





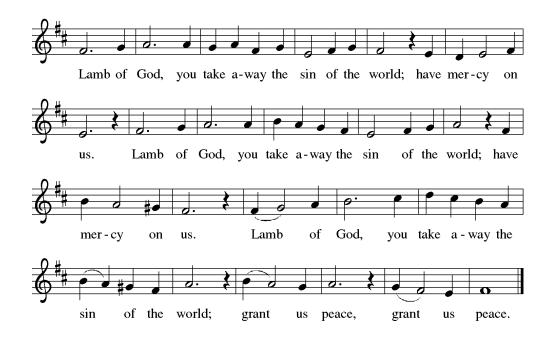
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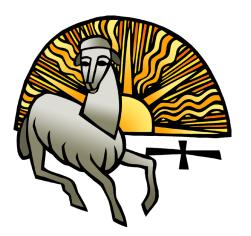
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Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Lamb of God





Distribution Music *Please be seated.*

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: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 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.

Sending Hymn

Please stand as you are able.

Peace, to Soothe Our Bitter Woes



- Peace, to soothe our bit ter woes, God in Christ on us be-stows;
- 2 Peace with in the church still dwells in our wel-comes and fare-wells;



Je - sus bought our peace with God with his ho - ly, pre-cious blood; and through God's bap - tis - mal pow'r peace sur-rounds our dy - ing hour.



Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. George T. Rygh, 1860–1943, alt. Music: FRED TIL BOD, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

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

Please be seated.

Dismissal

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

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Alleluia from Exsultate, Jubilate

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756 – 1791) arr. Hopson

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. We will continue to have Wednesday and Saturday services online. 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	Peggy Dahl-Bartunek Michelle McCreery Pierre LaMere
Church Officers	President	Marty Carlson Ross BartelsNO
Staff	Pastor	Dr. Kris Rizzotto Diane LaMere Al Aakre Joseph LaMere Linda Nelson Michelle McCreery Sarah & Trevor Skorburg

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 11	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YI
Monday, April 12	7:00 рм	AA	Sanctuary
Tuesday, April 13	9:15 рм	Prayer Ministry	Zoom
	12:00 рм	Staff Meeting	Zoom
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14		No Bible Study	
		No Confirmation	
Thursday, April 15	7:00 рм	Women's Bible Study	YouTube
	7:00 рм	Church Council Meeting	Zoom
SUNDAY, APRIL 18	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YouTube

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:



The family of Joseph Drake, former LOTI member; the family of Inga Westerberg, mother of Wendy Westerberg; the family of Cheryl Mattson, mother of Deb Gilroy; **Bruce Johnson**, nephew of Mary Ann Lisk; Howard Thorsheim & family, friends of John Bergford; Brian Krinke, son of Jean & Lambert Krinke; Jim Jodie, cousin of Carolyn Hagford; Pederson, nephew of Jennifer Sam **Jim Peterson,** brother-in-law of Rick & Suzanne Pepin; Betsy Pfeifer & David Beebe, daughter & brotherin-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; Bruce Pavne and Mike Payne, cousins of Michelle McCreery; Trevor Daniel, prayer request by Cheri Moe; Peggy Wagner, friend of the congregation.



Monica Schwarm 4.16 Michelle McCreery 4.17

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



Our Saviour's Housing Meals in 2021

For many years, *Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church* has provided a meal for 40 on the first Friday of the month. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, our monthly meals have been provided by donation via check, money order, or <u>online</u>. After **May 24**, when residents return to the shelter, *volunteers will once again provide the meal.*

Thanks to Ellie Holmquist, Ruth Lee,

Heather Jacoby, & Gretchen Robertson for providing on 4/2/21

2021 DATE

MAY 7 Andy & Monica Schwarm

JUN 4 Peter Van Bergen & Cathy Carlson

JUL 2 Pat & Kathy Bracken

AUG 6 Carol Kuehn, Vicki Kuehn-Larson & Rebecca Morell

Please consider serving on...

SEP3 OCT 1 NOV 5 DEC 3

To reserve, contact Cheri Moe, <u>moeclana@aol.com</u> or (952) 431-5226.



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