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Second Sunday of Easter



John 20:24-25

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To listen to the service, please turn your radio to

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Thank you for joining our service today.

Please leave your offering in the plate at the door as you enter or leave the service.

This worship we will be using ELW Setting 3.

You may stand during worship with asterisk () in this bulletin.*

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Tena Rackow

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

C. Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

P. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with repentance and faith turn to him, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through ☩ Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C:Amen

*** Gathering Hymn “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain” ELW#363**

*** Greeting**

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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.

*** Kyrie**

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P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

*** Canticle of Praise**

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C: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing and glory are his.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation;**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*** Prayer of the Day**

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P: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd],
²²“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ ²⁹“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”
²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**
³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**
⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

¹¹You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

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.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

*** Gospel Acclamation**

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*** Gospel: John 20:19-31**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John. 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 Jews, 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 the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Vicar Thomas Mosbo

*** Hymn of the Day “The Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”**

ELW #384

*** Nicene Creed**

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith,

**C: 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,
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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Congregation responds to each petition with the following:

L:Hear us, O God. **C:** **Your mercy is great.**

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Willie Kayser, Rene', Sue Kraft, Paul Fahr, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jack, Gretchen, Tina, Joe, Dan Kempel, Ron Heckman, Justin Yeager, Phil, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Jim Clay, and Sharon Janicke. Pray for love, peace, comfort and hope of resurrection for the families and friends of Roger Lobdell, Roger Bidingmaier and Kevin Miller.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Peace

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P: The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C:** **And also with you.**

The people share a sign of peace with one another.

Great Thanksgiving

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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.**

Preface

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P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb, who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Eucharistic Prayer

P. Blessed are you, O God of the universe...

... We remember our Lord's Passover from death to life, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P. O God of resurrection... Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P. Reveal yourself to us... Send us forth, filled with peace and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: With your holy ones of all times and places...

... We praise you, O God, blessed and Holy Trinity, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven... Amen.

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Communion

P: The body of Christ given for you. *(eat the body of Christ)*

The blood of Christ shed for you. *(drink the blood of Christ)*

Prayer

P: Let us pray.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you,

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace,

In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

* **Sending Hymn** **“Thine Is the Glory”**

ELW #376

* **Dismissal**

P. Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P. Go in peace. Serve the Risen Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Tena Rackow



TODAY

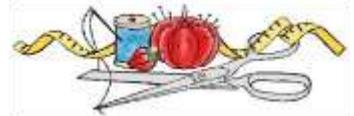
Chime Practice 10:45am-11:15am

11:15am-11:45am *Choir Practice*

Property Committee

The Good Shepherd Property Committee will meet on Monday, April 24th at 6:00pm.

Piece Corps
Quilting Group
Meets every Wednesday



Good Shepherd
Council Meeting
April 20th at
6:30pm

*Attendance April 2nd
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All women in the Northern Illinois Synod are welcome to attend the

2023 Spring Retreat *Women at the Well*
on April 29th out at LOMC in Oregon, IL.

Go to the WELCA website, Events\WELCA 2023 Spring Retreat for more information.

Le-Win Food Pantry

Good Shepherd will be at the Le-Win Food Pantry on April 29th from 8:20-11:30AM.

We are looking for volunteers to help in June, August, October and December. If you are able to help, sign up sheet in the hallway by Fellowship Hall.



Men's Group

Will meet at 4:30pm
on April 29th.