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Third Sunday of Easter



Luke 24:44

44 Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”

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FM 88.9

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Please leave your offering in the plate at the door
You may stand at times marked with an asterisk ()*

GATHERING

Prelude

Karen Niemeier

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord..

C: Amen.

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

Silence for reflection

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.

* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: *Acts 3:12-19*

L: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹² Peter... addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his child Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴ But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

¹⁷ "And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out. [ESV]

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me
and hear my prayer.

²**“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?”**

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;
the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices,
and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶**Many are saying, “Who will show us any good?”
Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.**

⁷You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

Second Reading: *1 John 3:1-7*

L: A reading from the first letter of John.

3 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. [ESV]

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*** Gospel Acclamation**

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

*** Gospel: *Luke 24:36b-48***

P: The holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷ But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸ And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹ And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate before them.

**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.**

Choir Anthem

“Hymn of Promise”

We lift our prayers for

*Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Fern Harnish, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Rene',
Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Brady Meier, Leona Block, Virgil Martin, Tena
Rackow, Marilyn Fulfs, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Di-
ane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan and
her baby, 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, Tina, Joe, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar
Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Ethan, Hanna, Mr. & Mrs. Ron Heckman,
Jeri, Allie, Al, Glen Hagemann, Bruce Stewart, Pam, Caroline, Tina D.,
Howard D., Christine, Michelle, Maci Diffenderfer and Jim DeMontigny Jr..*

Prayers of Intercession

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Please respond to each petition with the following:

L: ... God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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P: Let us pray with confidence as our Savior has taught us :

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.

SENDING

Blessing

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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.

* Hymn

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives

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* Dismissal

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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

Karen Niemeier

Attendance March 31st

Easter Sunrise Service

In-Person 15, Online 52

Easter Festival

In-Person 62, Online 57

Today,

Chime Practice from 10:45-11:15

Choir will practice from 11:15-11:45

Good Shepherd Piece Corps Quilting Group
Every Wednesday 8:30am –11:30am
Fellowship Hall

Northern Illinois Synod
Women of the ELCA Retreat
2024 Emotional Health Well-being and Faith,
Creating calm in a world full of chaos Genesis 1:1-2
Saturday, April 27th, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
Bible study and worship led by Pastor Jennifer Ohman-Rodriguez,
St. John's Lutheran, Rock Island, IL

Le-Win Food Pantry
Good Shepherd will be at the Le-Win Food Pantry on
April 27th from 8:30am-11:30am.
*Please sign up to be a volunteer, sign up sheet by Fellowship Hall. Good
Shepherd volunteers once a month on even numbered months.*

Men's Group Meeting
Saturday, April 27th at 4:30pm.



Newsletter Deadline

Please have your announcements
sent to the office by Monday,
Monday, April 15.

Thank you.

May God Keep You

*May the good Lord bless you
And keep you in His Care
May His sweet light shine upon you
In this time of great despair
May His arms surround you
And hold you in your pain
May His gentle touch surround you
Until the sunshine dries the rain
May His Holy Spirit
Guide you through this hour
And joy beneath your tears
May He cast your eyes to heaven
And wipe away your fears
May He bring you solace
And guide your troubled ways
May you find the peace you seek
Within the Lord today...*

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Scholarship Forms

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Scholarship forms
are due
April by April 30th.
The forms are available at
the church office upon
request.*

