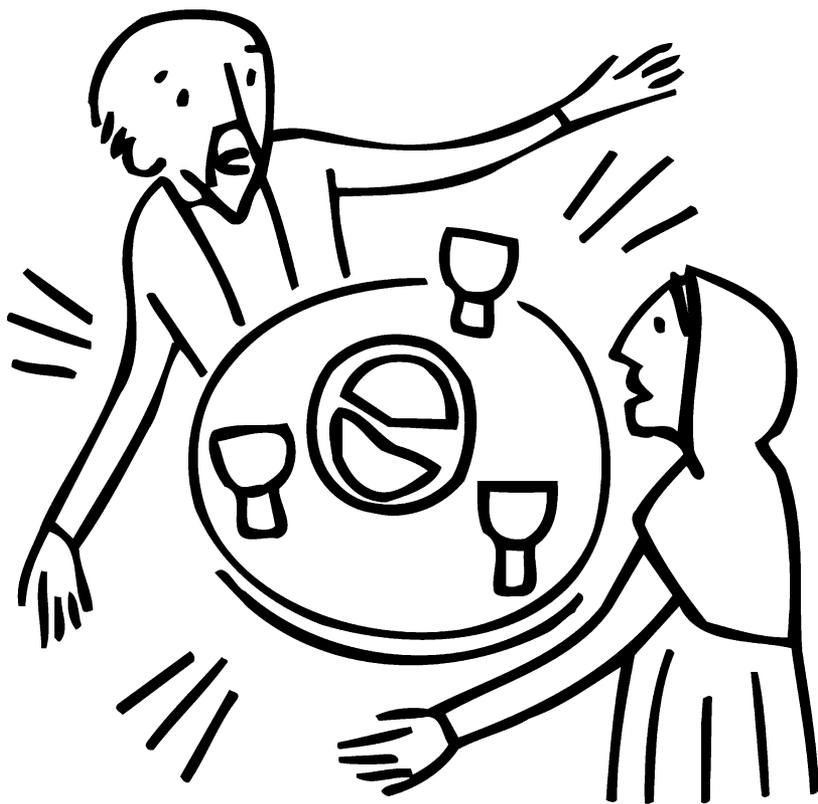


**Welcome To
Our Savior Lutheran Church**



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WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God,

C: 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.

Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

P: Let us pray . . . O God,

C: **your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Lois Eige and
Felicia Duffy

Amazing Grace/Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

WE HEAR GOD'S SAVING WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ.

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, ³⁶"Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." ³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God

calls to him.”⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

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

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication, ²for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called. ³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow. ⁴Then I called upon the name of the LORD: “O LORD, I pray you, save my life.” ¹²How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me? ¹³I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. ¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God’s people. ¹⁵Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants. ¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. ¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD. ¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God’s people, ¹⁹in the courts of the LORD’s house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

EPISTLE READING

1 Peter 1:17-23

The imagery of exile is used to help the readers of this letter understand that they are strangers in a strange land. Christians no longer belong to this age. Through the death of Christ we belong to God, so that our focus, faith, and hope are no longer on such things as silver or gold.

¹⁷If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory,

so that your faith and hope are set on God. ²²Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

A: The Word of the Lord

C. Thanks be to God

THE HOLY GOSPEL

ACCORDING TO

St. Luke 24:13-35

Glory to you, O Lord

The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, he is revealed through the scriptures and in the breaking of bread.

¹³Now on that same day when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene, two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter

into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

OH, Wow!

SPECIAL MUSIC

Gordon Miller

How Great Though Art

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.*
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: For those whose hearts are fervent with love for your gospel, that they are empowered to tell the story of your love in their lives and to show hospitality in response to this love.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: For the diverse natural world: for jungles, prairies, forests, valleys, mountains, and for all the wild and endangered animals who call these spaces home, that they are nurtured and protected.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: For broken systems we have inherited and that we continue to perpetuate, forgive us. Restrain the nations from fighting over limited resources. Redeem us from the cycles of scarcity and violence.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: For the faith forming ministries of your church. For those preparing for baptism, first communion, confirmation, and membership. For those who participate in the life of faith; guide and inspire learners of every age and ability.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: For all who call upon your healing name, give rest. Stay with us, and walk with all those who are hungry, friendless, despairing, and desiring healing in body and spirit.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: Create in our hearts a yearning to rest in your promise of eternal and resurrected life. Give us thankful hearts for those who have died, even as we look forward to the hope of new life with you.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

A: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

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.

PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

BENEDICTION

P: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.
Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Lois Eige and
Felicia Duffy

Crown Him With Many Crowns

DISMISSAL

P: Christ is risen, just as he said. Live in peace. Share the good news.
Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

This Sunday's Readings

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

OSL MEMBERS

Joe Gregor – health issues
Family of Robert Sharp – son of Steve & Donna Sharp
who passed away
Doreen Hasenwinkel – Bickford Assisted Living, Marshalltown
Hap Kretzmann – health issues
Shirley Gregor – recovering from foot surgery
Dale Wilson – health issues
Lois Wilson – health issues
Rick & Pat Smith – The Willows
Dave Luthro – Bickford Assisted Living, Ft Dodge
Floyd Harthun – health issues
Cathy Sease – health issues
Lola Breed – health issues
Esther Seim – Glenwood, Marshalltown

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Greg Ellcey – neighbor of Jerry & Deb Duder
Steve Goode – David Goode's dad
Scott Pace – friend of Donna Sharp
Steve Sharp – Donna Sharp's husband
Terrie Metz – friend of Donna Sharp
Tim Snyder – friend of Joe & Shirley Gregor
Jim Reiss – friend of Joel Hunzelman
Tim Snyder – friend of Joe & Shirley Gregor
Bridget Kern – friend of Nancy Sills
Chris Byerly – daughter-in-law of Duane & Andrea Byerly
Ann Schulte – friend of Allen Dale
Robert Adams – nephew of Karen Adams
Terri Nichols – niece of John & Nancy Reardon
Dennis Hasenwinkel – brother of Doreen Hasenwinkel
Spenser Ahn – grandson of John & Nancy Reardon
Marshalltown Community – recovering from tornado
Willie Handt – friend of Doreen Hasenwinkel
Bill Aiken – friend of Allen Dale
Dan Wilson – son of Dale & Lois Wilson

MILITARY

Anthony Nielsen – nephew of Pastor Mike & Rhonda

Dalton Fehlberg – great nephew of Charlene Barth

Chris Coalter – nephew of Joe & Shirley Gregor

Nathan Massa – grandson of Mike & Kathy Massa

Luke Sease – son of Brad Sease and

grandson of Larry & Cathy Sease

Dylon Fehlberg – great nephew of Charlene Barth

J J Hunzelman – grandson of Vern Hunzelman

Joe Stoterau – grandson of Sandy & LaRee Wise

Jimmy Sease – son of David Sease and grandson of

Larry & Cathy Sease

Jake Lutcavish – step grandson of Floyd & Ella Harthun

Please pray for our troops for their safety.