

**Welcome To
Our Savior Lutheran Church**



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 28, 2024
9:00 AM**

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WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

PRELUDE

ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

GATHERING HYMN

ELW 380

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

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.

KYRIE

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

**This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
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 vict'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God,

C: you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S SAVING WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 8:26-40

Psalm 22:25-31

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.**

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰**Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

EPISTLE READING

1 John 4:7-21

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL

ACCORDING TO

St. John 15:1-8

SERMON

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN

ELW 389

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

We pray for the church around the world, for all ministers, and for the mission of the gospel. Keep all the newly baptized and confirmed in your care. Cleanse our hearts with your word and help us to abide in you always.

God of grace,
Hear our prayer.

For the well-being of the earth and of all created things: for rivers and lakes, streams and estuaries, melting glaciers and polluted waters. Renew the face of the earth and shower us with your goodness.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

For the nations and all those in authority: for local, state, and national servants, for elected representatives at every level, and for international organizations, that justice and peace may reign.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

For all those in need: for any experiencing homelessness or unemployment, for those fleeing from oppression or seeking asylum, and for all who are ill or suffering especially.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

For Our Savior Lutheran Church: for the caring ministries of our faith community, for all who visit and minister to one another, for all who share the communion meal, and for all who seek to share your love with the world.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

With thanksgiving for the saints who rest from their labors. Help us, like them, to bear much fruit and to become your disciples, and at the last, bring us to that heavenly banquet where all will feast together at your table.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

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.
Amen.

PEACE

HOLY COMMUNION LITURGY

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMNS

Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less,
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly trust in Jesus' Name.

Christ alone. Cornerstone.
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil.

Christ alone. Cornerstone.
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone.
Faultless stand before the throne.

Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord. Lord of all.

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I Worship You

I worship You, Almighty God;
There is none like You.
I worship You, O Prince of Peace;
That is all I want to do.
I give You Praise, for You are my righteousness.
I worship You, Almighty God;
There is none like You.

Repeat

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

WE ARE SENT OUT WITH JOY

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

The Trees of the Field

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands.

Refrain:

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.
The trees of the field will clap their hands.
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.

Repeat song and refrain.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

This Sunday's

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

Next Sunday's

Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

TODAY – April 28 Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Worship
10:30 am Pastor Mike at Trinity
11:30 pm CGPE Sunday School & Church Service

MONDAY – April 29

9:15 am Staff Meeting at Trinity
5:30 pm ELCA Alliance Council Meeting at Trinity

TUESDAY – April 30

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
5:30 pm Pastor Mike taping at Trinity

WEDNESDAY – May 1

9:00 am Coffee and Conversation at Elim & Trinity
6:00 pm Informal worship at Elim

THURSDAY – May 2

12:00 pm Optimist
7:00 pm CGPE Bible Study

SATURDAY – May 4

7:00 pm CGPE Bible Study

SUNDAY – May 5 Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Worship
10:30 am Pastor Mike at Trinity
11:30 pm CGPE Sunday School & Church Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOOD MORNING! We are happy you have joined us today to praise, listen and be fed by Almighty God.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by John “J” Slocum.

SECOND QUARTER GIVING JUG: (April.-June)

Collections for April, May and June will go towards Providing Health, Hope and Healing to JONATHAN’S HOUSE for Orphans – encourages advancement of the gospel in the Central African Republic (CAR). Thank you for your donations!

Service & Mission

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

OSL MEMBERS

Abby Kersbergen – recovering from surgery
Barb Behrends – recovering from surgery
DeLee Freiberg – health issues
Hattie Groth – recovering at home
Kathy Massa – recovering from surgery
Mary Miller – recovering from shoulder surgery
Larry Kester – health issues
Charlene Barth – health issues
Amy Mills – health issues
Linda Whaley – health issues
Maurice Ruddick – health issues
“J” Slocum – health issues
Kenna Scott – health issues
Larry & Nancy Park – The Willows
Denny Eige – The Willows - health issues
John & Nancy Reardon –Des Moines– health issues
Dave Luthro – Bickford Assisted Living, Ft Dodge
Peyton Kretzmann

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Holly Hoskins – fiancé of Mike Long – health issues
Brenda Wignall – cousin of Mike Long
Veleta Mausehund – daughter-in-law of Bev Slocum
Betty Altmeier – aunt of Meradean Gifford
Corey Oltrogge – cousin of Stacy Oltrogge
Stephen Kretzmann – son of Hap Kretzmann
Kevin Sharp – son of Donna Sharp
Sam Scafferi - brother of Carl Scafferi
Roger Waltemeyer – nephew of Bev Slocum
Robert Adams – nephew of Karen Adams

MILITARY

Autumn Kane – granddaughter of Jim & Linda Pepper

Anthony Nielsen– nephew of Pastor Mike & Rhonda

Chris Coalter – nephew of Shirley Gregor

Luke Sease – son of Brad Sease and

grandson of Larry Sease

Joe Stoterau – grandson of Sandy & LaRee Wise

Jimmy Sease – son of David Sease and

grandson of Larry Sease

Jake & Amanda Lutcavish – step grandson and

step granddaughter Ella Harthun

Please pray for our troops for their safety.