Easter 2 April 16, 2023 Divine Service 3

Confession and Absolution

483 With High Delight Let Us Unite



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- P In the name of the Father and of the

 Holy Spirit.
- Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 105:1-5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2-3

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

He remembers his covenant forever,

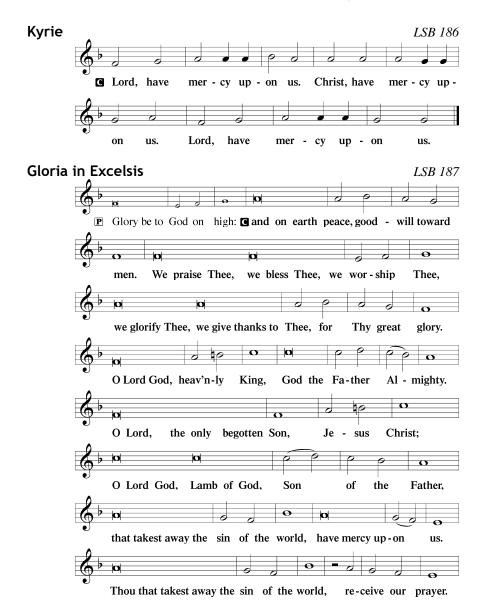
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

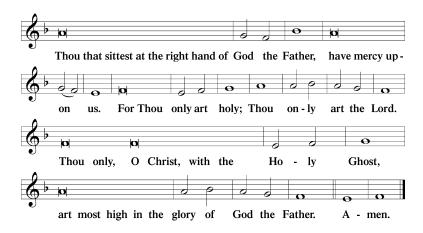
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading Acts 5:29–42

But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 Peter 1:3–9

Born Again to a Living Hope

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by

various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.



Jesus Appears to the Disciples

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

Jesus and Thomas

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into

the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

The Purpose of This Book

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Children's Sermon



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Sermon

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Offering

Prayer of the Church

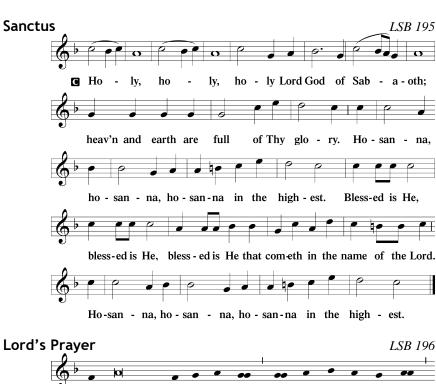
- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For faith to believe the resurrection of Christ and to trust the forgiving words of His servants, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all enemies of the Church, that their hearts may be brought to repentance; and for all Christians, that they may be strengthened in faith and vocation, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the households of our church, that begotten in Holy Baptism, we may grow in His grace and share together in His forgiveness and life, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For the authorities God has placed over us in federal, state and local governments, that He would give them the desire to serve with integrity and honor and to work for the benefit of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the sick and sorrowful, for those who mourn, and for all who stand in need of our prayers, [especially _____,] let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For confidence in the mercy of Christ and glad hearts as He greets us with peace, that we would be forgiven, renewed and strengthened by His body and blood, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your indescribable grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the blessed Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and the forgiveness of sin. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily believe Your Word, and through the Holy Sacraments establish our faith day by day, until at last we obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

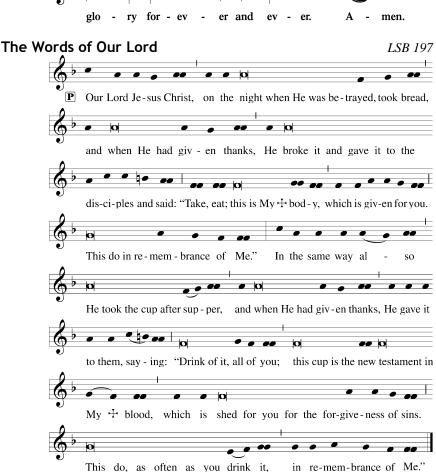


It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:









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P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





Distribution

463 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia



487 Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain Of Come, you faith-ful, raise the strain tri - um-phant glad-ness! the spring of souls to - day: 'Tis Christ has burst His pris - on 3 Now the queen of sea-sons, bright With the day of splen-dor, Christ ap-peared, be - stow - ing 4 For to - day a-mong His own 5 Al le - lu - ia! Now we our King im - mor - tal, cry To God has brought His Is - ra - el In joy to from sad - ness, And from three days' sleep in death As sun has ris - en; a Comes With the roy - al feast of feasts its joy to ren - der; His deep peace, which ev - er - more Pass hu - man know-ing. es Who, tri - um - phant, burst the bars Of the tomb's dark por - tal. Loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons All the win - ter of our sins, Long and dark, and daugh - ters, is fly ing to glad - den faith-ful hearts Which with true af - fec - tion Nei ther could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark por - tal Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain Of tri - um - phant glad - ness! 0 Led them with un-moist-ened foot Through the Red Sea wa - ters. From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise un - dy - ing. un - wea - ried strain Je res - ur - rec - tion! Wel - come in sus' Nor the watch-ers nor the seal God has brought His Is - ra - el Him as a mor - tal. Hold In - to joy from sad - ness!

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466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia Christ has a ris lu ia. en, al le three long 2 For days the grave did worst its 3 The geĬ an said to them, "Do not fear! spread 4 "Go the He's grave; news: not in the 5 Christ has a ris en; He sets us free; Re - joice and praise Him, al le lu ia. Un - til dis its strength by God was persed. You look for Je who here. sus is not He has ris this world a en to save. Al - le lu ia. to Him prais - es be. For our Re deem burst from the tomb, er He who gives life did death un der go; See for your selves the tomb is all bare; Je - sus' re deem ing la bors are done; Je - sus is liv ing! Let all sing; us gloom. E - ven from death. dis pel - ling its might And in its con quest His did show. there." On - ly the grave cloths are ly ing won." E - ven the bat tle with sin is He reigns tri um phant, heav - en ly King. Refrain 0. Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy; . Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de stroy.

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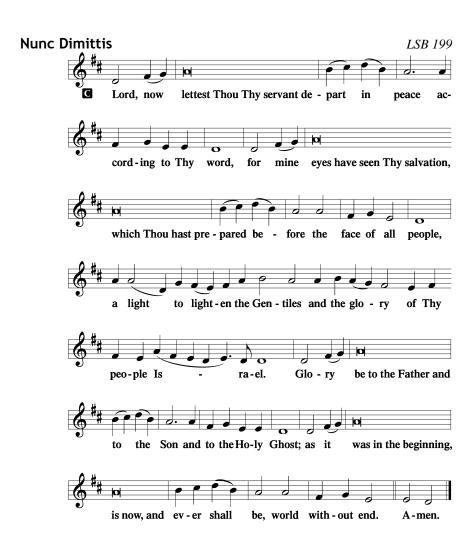
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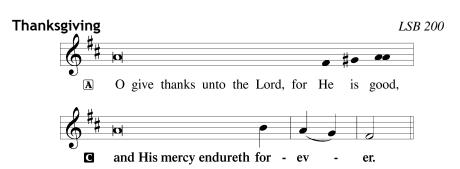
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Our sin

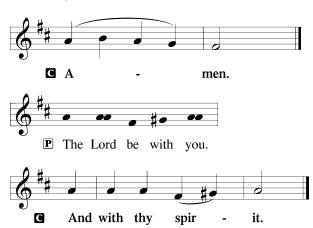
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A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

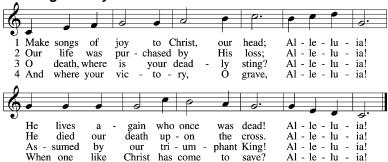








484 Make Songs of Joy



- 5 Behold, the tyrants, one and all, Alleluia! Before our mighty Savior fall! Alleluia!
- \triangle 6 For this be praised the Son who rose, Alleluia! The Father, and the Holy Ghost! Alleluia!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School: At 10:15 am in the Lutheran Student Center.

Bible Study: 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. We are

studying: Psalms

Thursday Bible Study: Noon in the Fellowship Hall we are studying Deuteronomy.

Tuesday LSF Bible Study: - Every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm Bible Study for the LSF students at the Lutheran Student Center. We are currently studying the book of John.

April Newsletters: there are copies on the wall under the T.V. for you to take.

New sign-up Sheets for- 2023- are now the wall:

Sunday Morning Bible Class Snacks, Apr to June, 2023 College Refreshment Snack: April to May 02, 2023 Altar Guild Schedule Jan to Dec, 2023 (We need people for November)

We Would like to thank everyone who Donated Lily's for Easter Sunday in Memory



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LWML

Lutheran Women in Mission

LWML/DORCAS Servant Workshop is Tuesday, April 18. The afternoon session will be held 1-3 p.m. and the evening session will be held 7-9 p.m. in the church basement. Mission projects for the workshops include marking Bibles for prison ministry, making dresses for Orphan Grain Train and tying quilts for Lutheran World Relief. All levels of experience are welcomed to join.

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

To God be the glory

Lutherans For Life

Message from Mary Wittmaier, LFL Rolla Chapter President:

Personal choice, public opinion, and political controversy cannot stifle our Gospel-motivated voices For Life. With the first Christians, we must obey God rather than men (Acts 5:29). He has commanded every human life into its existence, and we work to preserve them all until He permits them to pass away (Psalm 148:5-6). If this means discomfort or suffering, we will rejoice at the privilege of suffering together with Jesus Christ (Acts 5:41).

Leisure Lutherans

Card and Game Day, every Thursday at 1:00 pm after Bible Class. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Baked Potato Lunch Wednesday, April 19, 12 noon Church Fellowship Hall

Leisure Lutherans will host a Baked Potato Lunch, Wednesday, April 19 at 12 noon in the church Fellowship Hall. Potatoes, butter, and beverages will be provided and participants are asked to bring a potato topping such as shredded cheese, sour cream, chopped ham, green onions, a salad or dessert. Please indicate your contribution on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board next to the secretary's office. Our project will be refreshing the worship service children's busy bags.

Church kitchen cleaning day is April 24, 10 a.m. The focus will be cleaning the appliances and refreshing the south bank of cabinets. The more volunteers participate, the more will be accomplished.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who helped organize, serve, contribute, and attend the Easter Breakfast. It was a lovely conclusion to our Easter worship and celebration.

He is risen! He is risen, indeed! Hallelujah

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Lutheran Hour Ministries

Project Connect:

Messages from: Bill Wuenscher:

Bulletin Announcement for Sunday, April 16,

Depression (6BE135)

This booklet can assist in detecting other's struggle and respond – with knowledge and with compassion.

The Flower Chart:

For 2023 is now up on the wall. Please sign up for what Month and Day that you would like to do. Thank You.

Please let us know if you are ordering the flowers or are having someone else order them for you, or if you want us to order them. Also please let me know what you would like to have on the card. This is very important - when ordering please make sure that they have on the card who the flowers are from. Thank you



Sunday School: Will start at 10:15 in the lower level of the Lutheran Student Center. We'll learn about creation; man's fall into sin & that God promised to send a Savior.

Lesson Summaries

Unit 5

GOD LEADS HIS NATIONS:

Lesson 14:

April 16,

"The Unwise Wise King" is the title of today's lesson. Solomon gathers the supplies and artisans to begin the most important construction project of his reign --- building a house for God. Using the very finest materials and most skilled craftsmen, Solomon builds a temple so glorious that none come after it would ever compare. Later in his life, Solomon's many wives and concubines lead him away from the true God. In His anger, God vows to take the kingdom away from Solomon's descendants.