

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Washburn, North Dakota

Sunday, April 12, 2020

The Resurrection of our Lord - Easter Day 9:30 am

Holy Communion

(Facebook Live because of Coronavirus Pandemic)

PRELUDE & GATHERING

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

P This is the day:

- C when tears are wiped away; fears are replaced with joy.
- P This is the day the Lord:
- C rolls away the stone of fear; throws off death's clothes; goes ahead of us into God's future.
- P This is the day the Lord has made:
- C death has no fear for us;sin has lost its power over us;God opens the tombs of our hearts to fill us with life.
- P This is the day Easter Day!
- C Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!

HYMN..... LBW #151 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITANY FOR EASTER

- P People of God, you have come seeking the Christ, the son of the living God.
- C We have set our doubt aside and come. We have lived with our fear too long and we come. We have heard Jesus has conquered death and we want to hear the Good News again.

- P Do not be afraid, for he is risen from the dead. He has broken the tomb wide open. He has come back to life and is living together with us right here--right now.
- C We have felt his loneliness, we have prayed his prayers, and we have deserted him. We feel guilty.
- P There is no need for your guilt, for he has taken it with him to the cross and has paid the ultimate price for your sin. This is good news--he is alive--so we can be alive.

....."Jesus Loves Me"

- C This is good news--he is alive.
- P He has risen!
- C He has risen!

HYMN OF PRAISE.....

Chorus

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

- Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong, They are weak but He is strong. (Chorus)
- Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gate to open wide; He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in. (Chorus)
- 3. Jesus loves me! He will stay, Close beside me all the way; Thou has bled and died for me, I will hence-forth live for Thee. (Chorus)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all mercy and grace, your only Son's death and glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of death and redeemed all creation. Grant that we may no longer look for the living among the dead and instead daily die to sin and rise to newness of live; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READINGIsaiah 65:17-25 ¹⁷"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. ²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

PSALMPsalm 16

- 16 Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- ²I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;
- I have no good apart from you."
- ³ As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.
- ⁴ The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.
- ⁵ The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
- ⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- ⁷ I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- ⁸ I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.
- ¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.¹¹ You make known to me the path of life;
 - in your presence there is fullness of joy;
 - at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

HYMNLBW #377
"Lift High the Cross"

GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8 When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴ And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶ And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸ And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

THE EASTER MESSAGEPastor Curt Hanson

HYMN..... LBW #145

"Thine Is the Glory"

PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always
- C And also with you

PRAYERS

The GREAT THANKSGIVING

- 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 God.
- C It is right to give God our thanks and praise.
- P Living God, on this most joyous day we offer our thanks and praise to you; creator of heaven and earth, creator and lover of all humanity. Even when we turned away from you, you never rejected us. You spoke words of mercy and love through the prophets; promising to swallow up death forever and to host a banquet for all people; a feast of life-giving sustenance. And so, with all the company of heaven and earth we praise your holy name saying:
- C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest
- P Holy God, this meal which we share today is indeed the celebration that death has been defeated forever. We celebrate also how the language of your love became audible through the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, our beloved Lord; and how the nature of your love became visible through his life and sacrificial love. He graced lives with healing and hope, with compassion and power and as if that were not enough, he gave his very life for us.

On the night of his betrayal, as he sat at the table and broke bread with his friends, he said: 'Take and eat; this is my body which is broken for you. Remember me each time you do this.' After they had eaten, he took the cup, and said: 'Remember me as you drink from this, for it is my life, poured out for you - the beginning of a new relationship with God.'

God of all power, breathe your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the life of Christ and that we may make that life visible through our faithful witness to him. In Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Distribution

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Mighty and compassionate God, you have brought us over from death to life through your Son, our risen Savior, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

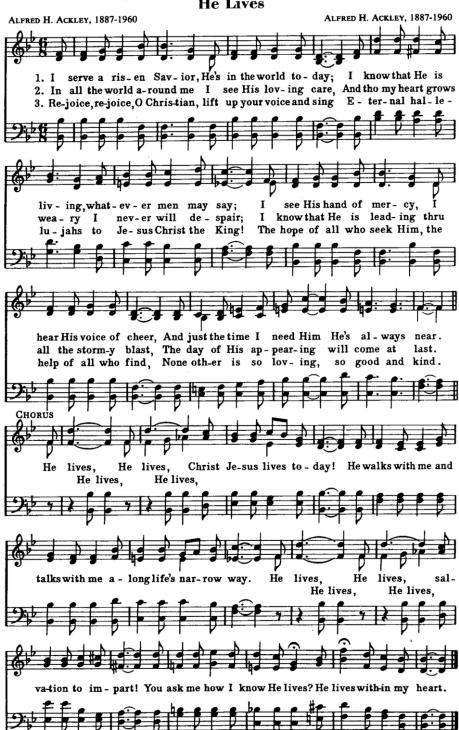
- P If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. You have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. Go with the assurance that God the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit are with you now and forever. (Colossians 3:1 & 3)
- C Amen.
- P Go in peace. Christ is Risen!
- C He is Risen, indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

RECESSIONAL HYMN Next Page

"He Lives"

POSTLUDE

He Lives



Today's Worship Leaders &	<u> Volunteers – Thank You!</u>
PASTOR	Pastor Curt Hanson
PIANIST	Theresa Petersen
MUSIC	Randy & Gwen Hall
ALTAR CARE	Claudette Ness & Maybell Job
VIDEOGRAPHER	Matt Gardner

Our Mission

"Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service."

Words of Welcome

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Welcome, as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection and our own resulting new life! The risen Christ appears among us – despite our locked hearts, our fears, our attempts to hide – and says, "Peace."

Holy Communion

For those of you at home watching the service on Facebook Live, the way the distribution of communion will work is you have a piece of bread along with your wine or grape juice ready. Follow Pastor Curt's instructions for eating the bread and drinking the wine or grape juice when it is time for each during the distribution.

Prayer Requests

Mona Jorgenson – Mother to Carla Bickert, Elaine Renfrow – Mother to Lynette Sondrol, Mike Thyberg, Lonnie Wollmuth – Brother to Steve Wollmuth, Sandi Femling – Cousin to Melanie Beckman, David Riden, Laren Holznagel, Taylor Cain – Son-in-law to Tricia Sabin, Sydney Haas – Cousin to Sharon Nelson, Harlow Tatum – Daughter to Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum, Robert Henke – Son-in-law to Audrey Pauling, Taylor Gardner, Melisa Chrest, Ruth Lund – Mother to Doddie Kuntz, Derek Laning, Jacklyne Carlson, Amber Selken – Sister to Wendy Miller, Billy Gardner – Father to Matt Gardner, John Krebsbach – Brother to Peggy Wollmuth, Arlo Omoth – Brother to Jeneen Loe, Shirley Nelson, Bob Miller, Rodney Jaeger

Church Council

The church council will have a meeting this Tuesday, April 14th, at 7:00 pm. Watch your emails or texts to see how you will meet.

Updates

Updates for First Lutheran Church are as follows:

- The front door only will be open daily from 11:00 am 2:00 pm to help keep traffic down during this pandemic.
- All church services and events are suspended through April 20. Worship services will be done by Facebook Live.
- We ask that you remember your tithing for the church. Either send your payment to the church or drop it off at Farmers Security Bank in Washburn notating it is a donation for First Lutheran Church.

