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St. John's Lutheran Church is part of the North American Lutheran Church. We welcome you and are glad you are participating in the Service of Word and Sacrament this morning as we celebrate the **Resurrection of the Lord** Please register your attendance in the blue pad at the end of the pew. HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month and on Festival Sundays. All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.

Prayer upon entering God's House:

O God, by your Son risen from the dead, fill our hearts with the warmth and life that will cause us to serve You in all that we feel, do, and say. Amen.

PRELUDE *“Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain”* *arr. Krapf*

***THE EASTER ANNOUNCEMENT**

P Alleluia, Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***ENTRANCE HYMN** *“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”* *LBW 151*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***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**



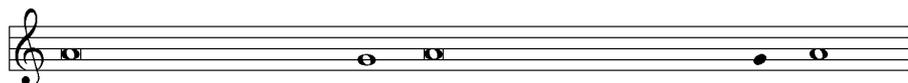
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



B Lord, have mer - cy.



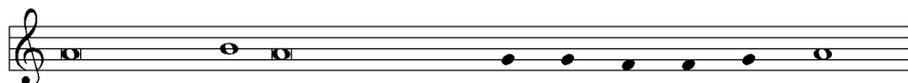
Ⓐ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



Ⓐ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



Ⓐ Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. ☩ A - men

*HYMN OF PRAISE



Ⓐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



☩ Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo- ple of God. Pow- er and rich - es and wis- dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**



☩ The Lord be with you. ☩ And al-so with you.

P Let us pray

O God, You gave Your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by His glorious resurrection You delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with Him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

FIRST LESSON

Acts 10:34–43

A The First Lesson is from the tenth chapter of Acts.

³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

A Here ends the reading.



PSALM

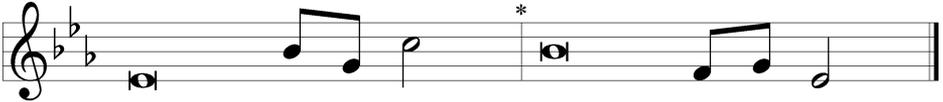
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, antiphon, Psalm 118:24



On this day the LORD has act - ed; we will re -



joice, re - joice and be glad in it.



Give thanks to the LORD, for | He is good;*
His mercy en- | dures forever.

**²Let Israel | now proclaim,*
"His mercy en- | dures forever."**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength | and my song,*
and He has become | my salvation.

**¹⁵There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory*
in the tents | of the righteous:**

¹⁶"The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!*"
The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!"

**¹⁷I shall not | die, but live,*
and declare the works | of the LORD. R**

¹⁸The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,*
but He did not hand me o- | ver to death.

**¹⁹Open for me the | gates of righteousness;*
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.**

²⁰"This is the gate | of the LORD,*
he who is right- | eous may enter."

**²¹I will give thanks to You, for You | answered me*
and have become | my salvation. R**

²²The same stone which the build- | ers rejected*
has become the chief | cornerstone.

**²³This is | the LORD's doing,*
and it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

²⁴On this day the | LORD has acted;*
we will rejoice and be | glad in it. R

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

A The Second Lesson is from the fifteenth chapter of 1 Corinthians.

¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.

²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

A Here ends the reading.

*VERSE

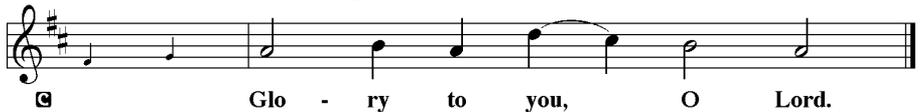


Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*GOSPEL

Luke 24:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ² And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵ And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸ And they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹ but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

¹² But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



***HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Thine Is the Glory"

LBW 145

CHILDRENS SERMON

SENIOR BELL CHOIR ANTHEM *"Crown Him with Many Crowns" arr. Wagner*
SERMON

***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.

***THE PRAYERS**

A Let us pray to our risen Savior on behalf of the Church, the world, and one another.

A brief silence

We praise You, Lord Jesus. You have risen victorious over our ancient foes: sin, death, and the devil. Fill us with the Holy Spirit, so we may firmly believe, rightly proclaim, generously share, and beautifully live this truth: that because death has no dominion over you, neither shall it have the last word over anyone whom you have redeemed. Alleluia, risen LORD in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Other intercessions are offered.

P Into Your hands, O LORD, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ our LORD.

C Amen

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

SR. CHOIR ANTHEM

"In Christ Alone"

arr. Hayes

***OFFERTORY**



C Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

A Blessed are you,

C O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to Your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that You have made, for the sake of Him who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Ⓟ The Lord be with you. ☩ And al - so with you.

Ⓟ Lift up your hearts. ☩ We lift them to the Lord.

Ⓟ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☩ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly we are bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for He is the true Passover Lamb who gave Himself to take away our sin, who by His death has destroyed death, and by His rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

***SANCTUS**

☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is Your mercy and eternal Your reign.
You have filled all creation with light and life;
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Through Abraham You promised to bless all nations.
You rescued Israel, Your chosen people.
Through the prophets You renewed Your promise;
and, at this end of all the ages, You sent Your Son,
who in words and deeds proclaimed Your kingdom
and was obedient to Your will, even to giving His life.

In the night in which He was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power
to share with us the great and promised feast.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection,
that we who receive the Lord's body and blood
may live to the praise of Your glory
and receive our inheritance with all Your saints in light.

C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P Join our prayers with those of Your servants of every time and
every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our
Great High Priest until He comes as victorious Lord of all.

C Through him, with him, in him, in the u - ni - ty
of the Ho - ly Spir - it, all hon - or and glo - ry is
yours, al - mighty Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. A - men

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

*All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present
In the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.
Gluten-Free Communion Wafers are available, please inform the Pastor of your needs.*

The body of Christ, given for you.
Amen.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

***CANTICLE**



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

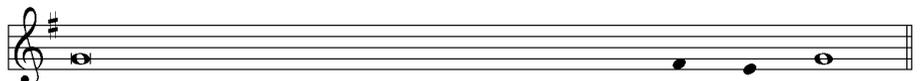
***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

A We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

***BLESSING**



☩ 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.



☩ A - men

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

arr. Bish

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A Nursery/Cry Room is available on the second floor of the Education Building for those who may need it.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today	9:45 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Festival Worship: Communion
Monday 4/18	7:00 p.m.	Council meeting
Wednesday 4/20	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Hour
	5:30 p.m.	Junior Choir/Children’s Chimes
	6:00 p.m.	New Bells
	6:30 p.m.	Senior Bells
	8:00 p.m.	Senior Choir
Thursday 4/21	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Hour
	1:00 p.m.	Newsletter
	2:45 p.m.	Catechism
	7:00 p.m.	Catechism
Sunday 4/24	8:30 a.m.	Worship: Rock of our Salvation
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Bowl

YOUTH BIBLE BOWL 2022

Next Sunday, April 24, @ 3:00 p.m. we are hosting the Youth Bible Bowl here at St. John’s church. Everyone is welcome to cheer our team onto victory!



Annual Spring Concert
Sunday, May 1st, 2022

St. John's Lutheran Church
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At 7:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary.

The Senior & Junior Bell Choirs
and
the Senior & Children's Vocal Choirs
(under the direction of Rebecca Veith)

Mark your calendars...
you don't want to miss this!

The concert is free and open to the public,
so bring your family, friends and neighbors
and celebrate spring with us!

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Assisting Minister
Lector
Comm. Assistants
Acolytes
Greeters
Camera Operator

Charlesetta Bleakney
Deb Bouch
Deb Bouch, Nancy Pierce, Karen Waugaman
Mollie Bouch, Delaney Smith
The Rupp family
Keith Livengood

Brass Ensemble

Dan Minnich
Frank Baker
Brendan Swanson
Nick Wranich

Trumpet
French Horn
Baritone
Timpani

STAFF MEMBERS

Director of Children's & Youth Ministry
Secretary
Sexton
Organist/Choir Director/Director of Music
Sr. Choir Accompanist

Julie Smith
Christine Lettrich
Michael Craft
Rebecca Veith
Elizabeth Cramer

OUR MISSION

St. John's Lutheran Church is a group of people who believe that we are saved by God's grace and who respond to God's love by joyfully serving God, each other, our community and our world. We will humbly and lovingly serve by proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the Word, offering Sacraments, leading others to fellowship, supporting those in need, giving generously of our talents as well as our resources and by thanking and praising God.

GRACE
happens



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