

# Easter

Festival Service

I  
know that my  
REDEEMER  
Lives

Job 19:25



# ST. LUCAS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

## CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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### **Easter Festival Service**

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

#### **The Season**

Easter is not just a holiday. Easter is history. On time's infinite line, Jesus' resurrection is the punctiliar moment that defines reality for us all. Christ has indeed been raised. So, the reality: Jesus is exactly what he claimed to be—the Son of God, our Lord and Savior. The reality is Jesus' resurrection proves that “all will be made alive” (1 Corinthians 15:22).

#### **The Sunday**

The Resurrection proves that Christ is the first fruits of those who have died. Just as Christ rose, “so in Christ all will be made alive” (1 Corinthians 15:22). That changes everything: the way we grieve the death of a Christian loved one, the way we feel when our health fails, the way we look at the purpose of life right now. Let us rejoice in this resurrection reality: All will be made alive!

#### **Our Communion Practice**

Out of love for God's Word and people's souls, we offer the Lord's Supper only to communicant members of St. Lucas Lutheran Church or other communicant members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS). "Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf." (1 Corinthians 10:17 NIV). Our guests who are not yet communicant members of our church are respectfully asked to refrain from communing today, but are encouraged to speak with our pastor after the service about how to become communicant members.

#### **Prayer before Worship**

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

#### **Serving in Worship**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning  
Ushers: Dan Zuehlke (8:30 am)  
Doug Strack (10:30 am)

Organist: Laura Schulz

# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

CW 438

Stand for the 4<sup>th</sup> stanza



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text (sts. 1-3): tr. Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; (sts. 1-3): Latin, 14th cent.; (st. 4): Charles Wesley, 1707-1788  
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In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Dialogue

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Jesus Christ was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

**Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God.**

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

**In all things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.**

Death has been swallowed up in victory.

**Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade.

**This inheritance is kept in heaven for us.**

Jesus is the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in him will live, even though they die.

**And those who live by believing in him will never die.**

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth.

**I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another.**

Since you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

**When Christ, who is our life, appears, we will appear with him in glory.**

Why do you look for the living among the dead?

**He is not here; he has risen!**

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## This Is the Feast

CW 938 sts. Ref-5, Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



- 1    Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ who was slain has be -



blood set us free \_\_\_\_\_ to be peo - ple of God.    *Refrain*  
hon - or, \_\_\_\_\_ bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.    *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:            *v. 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.    *Refrain*  
gun his \_\_\_\_\_ reign. Al - le - lu - ia!    *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

# The Word

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through Baptism, may walk in newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Job 19:23–27*

*By faith Job knew that because the redeemer lives, he would see his God with his own eyes in the resurrection.*

- <sup>23</sup>“Oh, that my words were recorded,  
that they were written on a scroll,  
<sup>24</sup>that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead,  
or engraved in rock forever!  
<sup>25</sup>I know that my redeemer lives,  
and that in the end he will stand on the earth.  
<sup>26</sup>And after my skin has been destroyed,  
yet in my flesh I will see God;  
<sup>27</sup>I myself will see him  
with my own eyes—I, and not another.  
How my heart yearns within me!

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**



# This Is the Day the Lord Has Made

CW 922



1 This is the day the Lord has made; he calls the  
2 To - day he rose and left the dead, and Sa - tan's  
3 Ho - san - na to th' a - noint - ed King, to Da - vid's  
4 Bless - ed is Je - sus Christ, who came with mes - sag -  
5 Ho - san - na in the high - est strains the Church on



hours his own. Let heav'n re - jice, let  
em - pire fell; to - day the saints his  
ho - ly Son! Help us, O Lord; de -  
es of grace, who came in God the  
earth can raise; the high - est heav'ns, in



earth be glad and praise sur - round the throne.  
tri - umphs spread and all his won - ders tell.  
scend and bring sal - va - tion from the throne.  
Fa - ther's name to save our sin - ful race.  
which he reigns, shall give him no - bler praise.

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## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

*Christ's resurrection gives us hope for the eternal life that is to come.*

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

<sup>20</sup>But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup>Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The Word of the Lord.

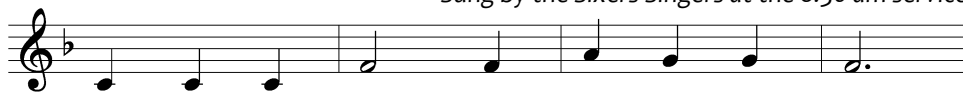
**Thanks be to God.**

Stand

# Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

CW 466 sts. 1, Ref, 2-3

Sung by the Sixers Singers at the 8:30 am service



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.  
2 For three long days the grave did its worst  
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!



Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.  
un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.  
You look for Je - sus who is not here.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,  
He who gives life did death un - der - go,  
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare,



e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.  
and in its con - quest his might did show.  
on - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."

## *Refrain*



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy;



death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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## Gospel

Mark 16:1–8

*An angel explains to the women why they won't find Jesus' corpse in the tomb.*

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. <sup>2</sup>Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb <sup>3</sup>and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

<sup>4</sup>But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

<sup>6</sup>"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.' "

<sup>8</sup>Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.

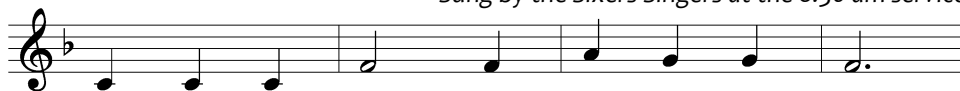
**Praise be to you, O Christ!**



# Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

CW 466 sts. Ref, 4-5

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4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave;  
5 Christ has a - ris - en to set us free.



he has a - ris - en this world to save.  
Al - le - lu - ia, to him prais - es be.



Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done.  
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."  
he reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

## *Refrain*



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy;



death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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*Be seated*

# Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

CW 439

St. 1, 2, 4, & 5 sung by cantors



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands for our of - fens -  
2 No son of man could con - quer death, such ru - in sin  
3 Christ Je - sus, God's own Son, came down, his peo - ple to  
4 It was a strange and dread - ful strife when life and death



es giv - en; but now at God's right hand he stands  
had wrought us. No in - no - cence was found on earth,  
de - liv - er; de - stroy - ing sin, he took the crown  
con - tend - ed. The vic - to - ry re - mained with life,



and brings us life from heav - en. There - fore let us  
and there - fore death had brought us in - to bond - age  
from death's pale brow for - ev - er. Stripped of pow'r, no  
the reign of death was end - ed. Ho - ly Scrip - ture



joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly  
from of old and ev - er grew more strong and bold  
more it reigns; an emp - ty form a - lone re - mains;  
plain - ly saith that death is swal - lowed up by death;



loud songs of al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
and held us as its cap - tive. Al - le - lu - ia!  
its sting is lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!  
dis - graced, it lies de - feat - ed. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Here the true Paschal Lamb we see,  
whom God so freely gave us;  
he died on the accursed tree—  
so strong his love—to save us.  
See, his blood now marks our door;  
faith points to it; death passes o'er,  
and Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!

7 Then let us feast this Easter Day  
on Christ, the bread of heaven;  
the Word of grace has purged away  
the old and evil leaven.  
Christ alone our souls will feed;  
he is our meat and drink indeed;  
faith lives upon no other! Alleluia!

6 So let us keep the festival  
to which the Lord invites us;  
Christ is himself the joy of all,  
the sun that warms and lights us.  
Now his grace to us imparts  
eternal sunshine to our hearts;  
the night of sin is ended. Alleluia!

Text: tr. Richard Massie, 1800–1887, alt.; Martin Luther, 1483–1546  
Tune: Latin, c. 1100; adapt. Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, Wittenberg,  
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*Stand*

## The Second Article (Redemption)

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

*What does this mean?*

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death.

All this he did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally.

This is most certainly true.

*Be seated*

## Prayer of the Church

Almighty and merciful God, on this glorious day we rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Increase our faith that the message of the empty tomb may fill our lives and make us glad each day.

**When we are weak, be our strength; when we are sad, be our song; and when we sin, be our salvation.**

Remove the hurt of death from all who mourn. In moments of grief call believers through the voice of our Good Shepherd and embolden us to follow his promises. In their hopelessness of despair turn the faithless to trust in the only Way, Truth, and Life.

**Wipe away tears born of death and give new birth to a living hope in the hearts of the lost and troubled. Use our witness as compassion and comfort for others in need of mercy.**

King of kings and Lord of lords, destroy all dominion, authority, and power that stands against you, whether seen or unseen. Whatever evil exerts itself against your saving will—false teaching or lukewarm faith, Satan’s lies or worldly pleasures, empty worship or futile religion—rule it for the sake of the gospel’s free course.

**Triumph over our enemies and empower the Church to fight the good fight to the end. Never leave us or forsake us.**

Walk among our churches, O Living One, as the faithful witness and firstborn from the dead. As your angel sent women with news of the risen Christ, call women in our church to announce, “He is risen!” As you sent your disciples with the breath of the Spirit, call those in our church full of the Spirit and wisdom to administer the keys of the kingdom.

**Wherever we live and whatever we do, help us to be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks us to give the reason for the hope that we have in Christ.**

Heavenly Father keep the baptized united with your Son in his resurrection. Put to death the fleshly urges of those caught in addictions, clothe in your righteousness anyone ashamed of good intentions which have fallen short, and assure those searching for purpose that their eternal identity as your dear children is sealed.

**Thank you for the power of baptism working in our lives, and for the certainty of its promises through the resurrection. Enrich us with everything we need for life and godliness.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

O Lord of life, you have done mighty things for us! We pray through him who is the Beginning and the End, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**His name is above every name, to the glory of God the Father! Amen.**

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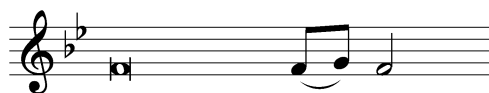


# The Sacrament

Stand

## Preface

CW 183



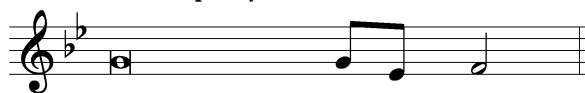
The Lord be with you.



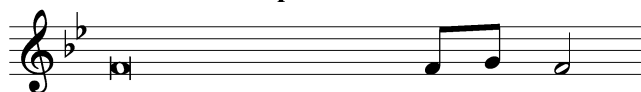
And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts.



**We lift them up to the Lord.**



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**



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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 184

The musical score is written on ten staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might. Heav - en 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, ho - san - na in the high - est!" The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
God of might. Heav - en 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, ho -  
san - na in the high - est!

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.



## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✝ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✝ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**



# Jesus, Lamb of God

CW 186

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

The musical score consists of seven staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for a children's or church songbook.

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Be seated



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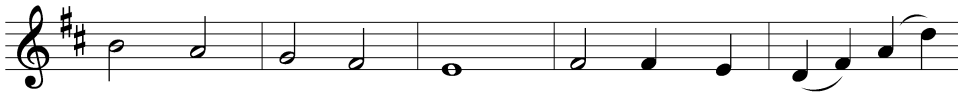
### I Know That My Redeemer Lives

CW 441

St. 3, 4, & 6 sung by cantors



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort  
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -  
3 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to  
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who  
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives all - glo - rious  
plead for me a - bove; he lives my hun - gry  
guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!  
in the sky; he lives ex - alt - ed there on high.  
soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.  
me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears;  
he lives to wipe away my tears;  
he lives to calm my troubled heart;  
he lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;  
he lives and loves me to the end;  
he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;  
he lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;  
he lives, and I shall conquer death;  
he lives my mansion to prepare;  
he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Tune: attr. John C. Hatton, 1710–1793  
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The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go † in peace.

**Amen.**

*Stand*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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 on you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

# He's Risen, He's Risen

CW 445



1 He's ris - en, he's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;  
2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry  
3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,  
4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



he o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate Word.  
the Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.  
and death, hell, and Sa - tan he van - quished, his foes.  
Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.  
pro - claim the blest ti - dings that all may re - joice.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song  
In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,  
The con - quer - ing Lord lifts his ban - ner on high;  
For all our trans - gres - sions his blood does a - tone;  
Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:



and earth, sea, and moun - tain, the prais - es pro - long.  
for Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.  
he lives, yes, he lives, and will nev - er - more die.  
re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are his own.  
with Fa - ther and Spir - it he ev - er shall reign.

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## Announcements

**Pastor Henning Out of Town:** Pastor Henning will be out of town April 1-8, and will not have phone service April 1-5. If you need pastoral care during that time, please contact Pastor Bode from Zion in Kohlsville at 262-483-0407.

### **Mr. Mark Hesse's Call Acknowledgement:**

Dear St. Lucas Family,

On March 7th, 2024, I received a divine call from the Federation of Manitowoc Lutheran High School to teach in the Communication Arts and Social Studies departments. and wisdom and lead me to a decision that glorifies him and benefits his kingdom.

I appreciate all of your encouragement and prayers as I deliberate between my call here to St. Lucas and this new call to Manitowoc Lutheran High School. May our Lord bless me with his guidance.

I am confident that no matter where I continue my ministry, God will bless both the ministry of St. Lucas and Manitowoc Lutheran. As God says in Isaiah 55:11,

“so is my word that goes out from my mouth:

It will not return to me empty,

but will accomplish what I desire

and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.”

Yours in Christ,

Mr. Mark A. Hesse

### **KML Golden Gala Registration Deadlines EXTENDED!**

Registration deadlines for the Golden Gala on April 20 at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School have been EXTENDED! Get your tickets today at [kmlhs.org/gala](http://kmlhs.org/gala).

- NEW Early Bird Ticket Deadline: April 5
- NEW Final Ticket & Sponsorship Deadline: April

### **KML Spring Play**

Join us for Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School's production of the play *While the Lights Were Out\** by Jack Sharkey on **Friday & Saturday, May 3 & 4, at 7:00 PM** and **Sunday, May 5, at 2:00 PM**. Tickets will be sold at the door beginning 30 minutes before each performance. All tickets are general admission and \$5 each.

\**While the Lights Were Out* is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. [www.concordtheatricals.com](http://www.concordtheatricals.com).

### **KMLES Spring Band Concert**

Please join us in person at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School or online ([kmlhs.org/stream](http://kmlhs.org/stream)) as the KML Elementary School Bands glorify God through music on **Tuesday, April 23, at 6:30 PM**. We hope you can join us!

**LeRoy Reed Memorial Golf Outing:** The 8th annual charity Golf Outing supporting Christian Life Resources is Friday, May 17, at Ironwood Golf Course, W270N6166 Moraine Drive, Sussex, WI. 9:30am registration/range and 10:30am shotgun start. Event cost is \$120 (\$400 discounted)

foursome) and includes lunch and buffet-style dinner. Four-person scramble format with 18 holes of golf with cart, free-range balls and other contests. Raffles and prizes too. To register, visit [www.christianliferesources.com](http://www.christianliferesources.com) or call 414-376-0594.

**WELS Night at the Brewers:** Back and better than ever, WELS Night at the Brewers is returning for 2024! Save the date and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at the ballpark on **Friday, July 12** to watch the Brewers take on the Nationals. Let's pack the stands with WELS connections!

Tickets for WELS members and guests continue to receive a discount of up to 50% and are reserved together in all three seating categories. Ticket prices are \$23 (Field Outfield Box), \$17 (Loge Outfield Box) and \$10 (Terrace Infield). Individual tickets are available **NOW** and can be purchased online at [brewers.com/wels](http://brewers.com/wels).

**MLC Job Opening:** Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full-time **Early Childhood Assistant Teacher** and a part-time **Men's Basketball Assistant Coach**.

Interested individuals should apply online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).

**LWMS Spring Rally:** The Spring Rally of the Dodge/Washington LWMS circuit will be held at St. Matthew in Iron Ridge, WI on Saturday, April 13th from 9AM till 12:30PM. Registration starts at 8:30. Guest speaker is Juan Escobar, a Seminary student who will present on Latin American missions, Academia Christo and how a basketball camp changed his life. Come and enjoy a morning with fellowship, food and learning how our WELS continues to spread and grow around the world.

**KML Family Music Fest 2024:** Please join us for *A Salute to America* on Friday, April 12, from 5:00-9:00 pm. Monies raised at this event will go toward the improvement of technology within the KML Music Department. This event features elementary and high school musical performances, games, live auctions, and Science Fair projects from our Lutheran Elementary School students. Food options include a fish fry, concession items, and a dessert bar. Adult admission is \$5. Children/students get free admission. The fish dinner is \$17. Adult admission with the fish dinner is \$20.

Donations of fancy desserts for our live auction would be happily accepted! We would ask that food items be dropped off in the main office on Friday, April 12, from 12-3 pm if at all possible. Refrigerators and freezers are available if your dessert needs to be kept cold. We are also in need of desserts like cookies, bars, and pies for the dessert bar. If you would like to donate or would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Angela Hohenstein ([angela.hohenstein@kmlhs.org](mailto:angela.hohenstein@kmlhs.org)). You can also visit [www.kmlhs.org/fmf](http://www.kmlhs.org/fmf) for donation forms, volunteer signup forms, and more information.

## Celebrating God's Blessings This Week:

### BIRTHDAYS

Greta Herther – 4/1

Veda Koth – 4/1

Kaitlyn Miller – 4/1

Rijeana Hatch – 4/3

Samuel Koth – 4/4

Shelly Wilson – 4/4

Grace Lang – 4/6

Richard Laubach – 4/6

# CALENDAR

Readings for March 31st - April 7th



MAR 31

Sunday

Exodus 14:10-31  
Hebrews 7:23-8:13



**EASTER**



**Sunrise Service  
w/Communion - 6 am**

Easter Breakfast - 7am -  
8:15am

**Festival Service  
w/Communion -  
8:30am & 10:30am**



APR 01

Monday

Exodus 15:1-18  
Hebrews 9:1-28

APR 02

Tuesday

Exodus 15:19-16:12  
Hebrews 10:1-18

No Bible Study

APR 03

Wednesday

Exodus 16:13-35  
Hebrews 10:19-39

No Catechism

APR 04

Thursday

Exodus 17:1-16  
Hebrews 11:1-29

No Fuel for Moms  
No Bible Study

APR 05

Friday

Exodus 18:5-27  
Hebrews 12:1-24

APR 06

Saturday

Exodus 19:1-25  
Hebrews 13:1-21

**Worship 6:00 pm**

APR 07

Sunday

Exodus 20:1-24  
Luke 4:1-15

**Worship 8 am**  
No Bible Study  
Sunday School - 9:15 am  
**Worship 10:30 am**

**Ushers for  
4/6 & 4/7**

Sat. 4/6 6 pm - Butzke  
Sun. 4/7 8 am - Stoltz  
Sun. 4/7 10:30 am - Koch

**Ushers for  
4/13 & 4/14**

Sat. 4/13 6 pm - Peters  
Sun. 4/14 8 am - Schacht  
Sun. 4/14 10:30 am - Herther

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