

# Easter — April 17, 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

ELW 365

Apostolic Greeting

**L** 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.

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Hallelujah. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: blessing and honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. This is the feast of victory for our God. Hallelujah Hallelujah.**

Prayer of the Day

**L** The Lord be with you

**C** And also with you

**L** Let us pray: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen**

**First Reading: Acts 10: 34-43**

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.” Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **C Thanks be to God!**



**Second Reading: I Corinthians 15: 19-26**

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

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup>for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every 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. Holy wisdom, holy word.   **C                    Thanks be to God**

**Holy Gospel according to John in the 20<sup>th</sup>. C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"<sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her. This is the Gospel of the Lord.   **C                    Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

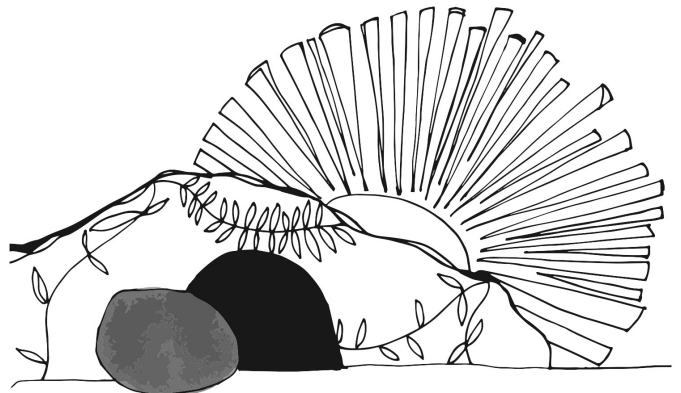
## **Nicene Creed**

**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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 the People

- L Filled with joy at our Lord's resurrection, we pray to our living Savior for ourselves and all our neighbors' needs.
- AM For the whole Church, ignited by the gladness rooted in Christ's new, eternal life, that we may share the Good News of the Gospel in all our words and deeds, and that we be united in true faith, Lord have mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For the secular world encompassing all the human race, that all may live in the abundance of God's love, grace, justice, and peace. Especially we pray for those who are victims of cruelty, hatred or violence, Lord have mercy,  
**People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For the physical universe, especially our verdant planet, that life's restless rebounding may point to the promise of the Creator to renew us in each new season of life, Lord have mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For children - all children - that they may be spared the worst ravages of danger and harm, and may grow in a world focused on their thriving, Lord have mercy,  
**People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For grateful hearts, that filled with the Spirit of the living Lord, we may respond with generous hearts, Lord have mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For any needs we now lift silently or out loud..... Lord, in your mercy,  
**People: Hear our prayer.**
- L For all these, and any other needs you see, Lord, we offer our prayers, Lord have mercy,  
**People: Amen**

## The Peace

- L The Peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace with one another.  
The Offering is received and the table is prepared.*



**Anthem**     *For He Loved Me Words: Stephanie S. Taylor and Michael E. Showalter*  
*Music: Michael E. Showalter    Arr: Joseph Graham*

Jesus came to be my Savior; For he loved me! Yes he loved me! Son of God, born in a Manger; For he loved me! Yes he loved me! Angels called to shepherds in the night, singing, "Glory be to God on high." Christ had come to be the one true light; For he loved me! Yes, he loved me! Jesus loved me! Yes he loved me! There he cried and bled to save the lost; for he loved me! Yes he loved me! In the tomb, he laid to set me free. Then he rose to bring me victory. Now he lives ever to intercede; For he loved me! Yes, he loved me! Jesus reigns, forever Lord of Lords, for he loved me! Yes, he loved me! By his grace, my hope has been restored; For he loved me! Yes he loved me! He is worthy of the highest praise. To the King of kings, my song I raise. I will live to serve him all my days; For he loved me! Yes he loved me! For he loved me! Yes, he loved me!

**The Offertory is sung ELW 678 v. 1**

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store: nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door, gifted by you, we turn to you, off'ring up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

The Leader speaks an Offertory Prayer

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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| L | The Lord be with you.   | <b>C</b> | <b>And also with you.</b>        |
| L | Lift up your hearts.  | <b>C</b> | <b>We lift them to the Lord.</b> |
| L | Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. <b>C It is right to give our thanks and praise.</b>   |          |                                  |
| L | It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn. |          |                                  |

**Sanctus**

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| L        | It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in 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: |
| <b>C</b> | <b>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.</b>  |

## **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

## **The Agnus Dei pg. 146**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace,  
Lamb of God.

**All are warmly welcomed by Christ to his table and feast.**  
**Communion:**

This is my body. This is my blood. Given for you for the forgiveness of sins.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

**P**

## **Benediction**

**L** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and  
mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace.  
**C** Amen.

## **Closing Hymn**

**The Strife is O'er**

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## **Dismissal**

**AM** Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. **C** Amen.

## **Postlude**

***Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.***

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley  
Francine Ahrens  
Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens  
Peggy Ali  
Joyce Almsted

Connie Aparo  
Bert Babcock  
Phil Bascetta  
Eli Boda  
Diane Boscarino  
Kathleen Bowler

Cherie Brown  
Sharon Cable  
Nancy Campbell  
Carol Cianciolo  
Cheryl Corey

Emma Cortina  
Leif Dallaire  
Emily Decker  
Linda Dellano  
Carla Derrickson

Sigrid Devita  
Irene Douglas  
Judy Elliott  
Mark Ebbeskotte  
Jan Eucalitto

Pamela Ewing  
Jennifer Ezzo  
Bruce & Liz Falls  
Eric Fernandez  
Ashley Friday

Rosemarie Foth  
John Fox  
Joan Gerard  
Danise Hall  
Jack & Barbara Heintz

Brayden Herzberg  
Charles Hilton  
Kathleen Hilton  
Shannon Hilton  
Jake Hoadley  
Sven Holmgren

Erma Horn  
Amy Rose Jensen  
Ann Jones

Eunice Jones  
Lynn Killingbeck  
Marilyn Killingbeck

Maria Koskovich  
Jason Lashbrook  
John Lewis  
David Little  
Rebecca Little

Kari Machowski  
Mary Ellen Mackinnon  
Jerry MacManus  
Audrey & Ernie Marquard  
Abigail Marine

Eric Marine  
Richard Marine  
Janis Martin  
Gil & Marilyn Martin  
Gladys Medina

Michael Meyers  
Kate Merrow  
Colin Moore  
Brigitte Mueller  
Dennis Nalette

Karen Ness  
Tom O'Brien  
Lea Orriola & family  
Russell Palmer  
Maria Payne

Jackie Quinn Wassik  
Caroline Quintal  
Ed & Susan Regner  
Jonathan Richard

Louise Roche  
Holly Schaff  
Judy Schaller  
Rosemary & Otto Schibi  
Denae Seelye

Patricia Weingart Seymour  
Rob Simon  
Matt Simpson  
Christopher Slate  
Dana Steele

Sigrid Smitley  
Paul Smith

Dana & George Steele  
Jennifer Stella  
Deb & Jon Sterling  
RuthAnn Stone

Diane Tanner  
Gloria Thibault  
Andy Thomas  
Julia Thompson Carroll  
Susan Tycienski

Chamo Vega  
Steve Warner  
Renee Woodard  
Clarence & Priscilla  
Ed

Jen O.  
Jaiden  
Shirley  
Steve  
Lou W.

Steve  
Todd  
Robert K.  
Terry  
Joe

Rosie  
Carol G.  
Kristen & Jared  
Vinnie  
Hagbard

Carolina  
Robert P.  
Peanut  
Colleen  
Ken

Kathy  
Jaxson  
Gail  
F.C.H.  
Chantel

**Friends and Family of  
Bill Blank**

### **Our Nursing Home Members**

Dee Gammon  
Midge Rosenbeck  
Calvin Bensch  
Judy Schaller

### **Our Military Friends**

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn  
Eric Beyus  
Major Zachary Fulton  
Brandan Holbrook  
Jonathan Connell  
Tom Gregg, Jr.  
Eric Bremer  
Peter Hutchinson  
S/W Anderson James Ernst  
USCG  
SPC Dominic Boscarino  
PVT Noah Braatz  
PVT 2 Christian Braatz

## Around the Church

Event	Date	Time
New Member Service	4/27	10:00 am
Annual Meeting Part II	5/4	8:00 am
Finance Meeting	5/7	6:30 pm
Blessing of the Bikes	5/10	10:00 am
Council Meeting	5/12	7:00 pm
Church Picnic	5/18	After Service
Yankkee Chorale Concert	5/18	4:00 pm

*No Bible Study this coming week*

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays  
Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays



**May 30-31, 2025**

**See pastor if you would like to attend.**

### Offerings Summary:

<b>Needed Weekly</b>	<b>\$4,561</b>
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$3,045</b>
<b>Shortfall</b>	<b>(\$1,516)</b>
<b>YTD shortfall</b>	<b>(\$16, 763)</b>

## Minimalist bulletin

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