AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER ELW - Setting 6, Holy Communion 10:30 AM April 16, 2023

GATHERING

PRELUDE & WELCOME:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG: "Now the Green Blade Rises" #379

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

All: Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ,

For these waters where you make us new,

Leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth,

like rains to our thirsty earth,

like streams that revive our souls,

like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.

Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.

Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

<u>All:</u>

Make us one, risen Christ.

Cleanse our hearts.

Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise,

With the Holy Spirit,

In the glory of God,

Now and forever. Amen.

KYRIE, p. 165

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the Feast", p. 169

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia", p. 171

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Touch that Soothes and Heals" #939 ACS

 Touch that soothes and heals the hurting, hands that break a loaf of bread; steps that walk beside the weary, bearing burdens in their stead:

Refrain:

"See my hands and feet,: said Jesus, love arisen from the grave.
"Be my hands and feet," said Jesus, "live as ones I died to save."

- Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit ones in need of care, give the homeless warmth and shelter: Christ will find a welcome there. [Refrain]
- Love and serve without distinction all earth's people, first and least.
 Know within each act of kindness hope and wholeness are increased. [Refrain]
- Hands that beckon little children, bind a wound, prepare a meal, feet that rush to share good tidings, Christ arisen, still reveal. [Refrain]

NICENE CREED, p. 104

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: "Hear us, OGod – your mercy is great" SHARING OF THE PEACE, p. 172

The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

OFFERING AND PRAYER

THE MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING, p. 172 HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, p. 173 SONG OF PRAISE: "Be Not Afraid"

#388

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Beneath the Tree of Life, GIA Publications, giamusic.com "Blessed are you, Holy God, creator of the universe . . . We proclaim he mystery of our faith until he comes again to share the feast that has no end."

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER, p. 173 LAMB OF GOD, p. 174

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION: "Come, Let Us Eat" #491

"We Walk by Faith" #635

"Holy, Holy, Holy (Argentine)" #473

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: "Thine is the Glory" #376

DISMISSAL

All are welcome at the table.

If you wish to receive the healing gift of God's grace and believe Christ is present, please feel welcome to participate in the Eucharist.

Grape-apple juice and red wine are provided in the glasses.

Gluten-free wafers are also available.

Maundy Thursday in-person attendance: 30 Good Friday in-person attendance: 39 Last Sunday's in-person attendance: 102

Thank you to our lector and communion assistant Noreen Donald musician Anna-Marie Skogsrud, ushers Angie & Merv Johnson, and technical support Greg Fowlie-Neufeld for assisting in worship today. Thank you also to the altar guild for the communion preparations.



Offering & Income for April to date: \$11,490

includes Rent: \$1,855

April expenses to date: \$8,387 Monthly budget need: \$21,063

AUGUSTANA CHURCH COUNCIL & PERSONNEL

Chair Pat Blakley (306) 373-3637 Vice-Chair Larry Trenouth Secretary Katie Ottley

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First Reading - Acts 2:14a,22-32

^{14a}PETER, STANDING WITH THE ELEVEN, RAISED HIS VOICE and addressed [the crowd], ²²"You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;

²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope.

²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,

or let your Holy One experience corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life;

you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

32This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Second Reading – 1 Peter 1: 3-9

³BLESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁵In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁻so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁴for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel – John 20:19-31

¹⁹WHEN IT WAS EVENING ON THAT DAY, THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

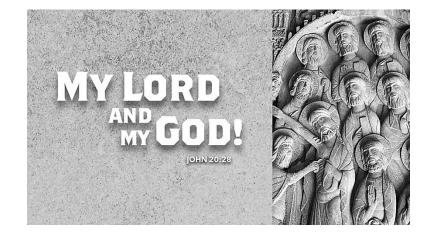
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We are a Christ-centered, welcoming community. We commit ourselves to modeling Christ's unconditional love in our worship, learning, fellowship, friendship, and service to others. Just as God welcomes and cares for us, so we welcome everyone to participate in all aspects of our community, without regard to sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, culture or ethnic background, physical or mental abilities, family or economic status, gender, or age. We pledge to ourselves and all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

Thank you for sharing in worship here today.

May God's abundant grace be a blessing to you,
a source of strength and hope.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER April 16, 10:30 AM



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Lutherans and Anglicans worshiping together
(A congregation of the ELCIC,
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