



# St. John's Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.



## *The Second Sunday of Easter*

*April 28, 2019*

*10:30 Service of the Word*

Isaiah proclaims the great feast to come, when God will swallow up death forever. Paul invites us to celebrate the paschal feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. The gospel tells the Easter evening story of the risen Christ being made known to disciples in the breaking of bread. Our hearts burn within us as the hope of the resurrection is proclaimed in our midst, and as Jesus appears to us at the holy table.

*-from Sundays and Seasons 2019*

### *Welcome to worship today!*

If you are visiting with us we invite you to sign the Guest Book in the back of the sanctuary.

Nursery care is available during the service. Please see one of the ushers if you need more information.

# † GATHERING †

## Prelude and Announcements

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**C: Amen**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*Water is poured into the font as the following is read:*

We give you thanks, O God, O Living One,  
for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Oceans and aquifers praise you. Rivers and streams bless you:  
the Finger Lakes, the Genesee River, and Lake Ontario.  
All life is sustained by you, our Source.

We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead,  
who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life.  
Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life, bright as crystal,  
flowing through the city of God.  
Here death is washed away forever.  
Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the word.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on this assembly, into this community, and throughout all creation. Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions. Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn Alleluia! Jesus is Risen  
(For music turn to Hymn 377 in the Red Hymnal)

### 1. Alleluia!

**Jesus is risen!**

**Trumpets resounding in glorious light!**

**Splendor, the Lamb,**

**heaven forever!**

**Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!**

*Refrain*

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise:  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

**2. Walking the way,  
Christ in the center  
telling the story to open our eyes;  
breaking our bread,  
giving us glory:  
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise.   *Refrain***

**3. Jesus the vine,  
we are the branches;  
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;  
heaven to earth,  
Christ to the people,  
gift of the future now flowing to me.   *Refrain***

**4. Weeping, be gone;  
sorrow, be silent:  
death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
Cherubim sing:  
“O grave, be open!”  
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.   *Refrain***

**5. City of God  
Easter forever,  
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
river of life,  
saints and archangels,  
sing with creation to God the I AM!   *Refrain***

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*Greeting* (2 Corinthians 13:13)

**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.**

Gathering Dialog (Romans 10)

A: The word is near you,

**C: on your lips and in your heart.**

A: If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

**C: and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.**

A: Faith comes from what is heard,

**C: and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.**

Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray...

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known in to his disciples in the breaking of the bread, open the eyes or our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

† WORD †

First Reading Isaiah 25:6-9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;  
he will swallow up death forever.

<sup>8</sup>Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the Lord has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.  
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*After the reading the reader may say:* The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Scripture Poetry Psalm 114 (read responsively)

A: Israel marches out of Egypt,  
Jacob leaves an alien people.

**C: Judah becomes a holy place,  
Israel, God's domain.**

A: The sea pulls back for them,  
the Jordan flees in retreat.

**C: Mountains jump like rams,  
hills like lambs in fear.**

A: Why shrink back, O sea?  
Jordan, why recoil?

**C: Why shudder, mountains, like rams?  
Why quiver, hills, like lambs?**

A: Tremble! earth, before the Lord,  
before the God of Jacob,

**C: who turns rock to water,  
flint to gushing streams.**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Do you not know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough?

<sup>7</sup>Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch, as you really are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.<sup>8</sup> Therefore, let us celebrate the festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

*After the reading the reader may say:* The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation (1 Corinthians 5:7,8)

**C: Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed.  
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35

*The gospel is announced:*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What are

you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” <sup>19</sup>He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

*After the reading:*

P: The gospel of the Lord

**C: Praise to you O Christ.**

*Children’s Sermon*

*Sermon*

Hymn of the Day Abide With Me

(For music turn to Hymn 629 in the Red Hymnal)

1. **Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.  
The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.**
2. **Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.**
3. **I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour;  
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me.**
4. **I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me!**
5. **Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;  
heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

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Apostles' Creed

A: We confirm our faith with the Apostles' Creed

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

P: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*The pastor will begin the prayer with a petition and then invites the congregation to add additional petitions and thanksgivings. Please conclude your petition with: Lord in your mercy,*

*The congregation will respond: **Hear our prayer.***

*The pastor concludes the prayer:*

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

Peace

A: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

A: Let us share that peace with one another.

*The congregation may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.*

† THANKSGIVING †

Offering

Hymn of Thanksgiving As the offering is brought forward the congregation sings:

Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil

*For music turn to Hymn 713 in the Blue Hymnal*

**Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
open to the seed of your Word.  
Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
where love can grow and peace is understood.  
When my heart is hard,  
break the stone away.  
When my heart is cold,**



warm it with the day.  
When my heart is lost,  
lead me on your way.  
Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray:

**C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

A: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

† SENDING †

Blessing

P: The blessing of the living God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
surround and sustain you,  
keep you from harm,  
and fill you with courage.

**C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn Send Us Out  
(For music turn to Hymn 29 in the Songbook binder)

- 1. We have been called by the Lord.  
We have been saved by the Word.  
Now let the Word be restored.  
Now let the Gospel be heard**

*Refrain*

**Send us out to teach what God has done.  
Send us out to reach ev'ry single one.  
Send us out. Send us out.**

- 2. We who were bound by our shame,  
ruled by our fears within.  
Stand and declare by the name,  
freedom from all of our sin. *Refrain***

- 3. Teach what God has done.  
Reach ev'ry single one.  
Teach what God has done.  
Reach ev'ry single one. *Refrain***

- 4. We have been called by the Lord.  
We have been saved by the Word.  
Now let the Word be restored.  
Now let the Gospel be heard *Refrain***

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Dismissal

**A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
C: God's Work. Our Hands.**



"You sound much better today, Dear."

**Worship assistants TODAY:**

Greeters and Ushers	Helen Crown and Sally Mansfield
Acolyte	Olivia DeLeon
Nursery Care	Judy VanDevelde
Counters	Bruce and Connie Stevenson
Coffee Hour	Kim Boisseau and Phyllis Henderson

**Worship assistants for next Sunday, May 5**

Greeters and Ushers	Bruce and Connie Stevenson
Acolyte	Joe Wyman
Altar Care	Helen Crown
Communion Assistants	Paul and Babette Huber
Nursery Care	Kristi Bullwinkle
Counters	Beth Perdan and Bettina Kalish
Coffee Hour	Melt Down the Mortgage Campaign

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