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MARCH 31ST, 2024 + RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

CALL TO WORSHIP | THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us...

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. **Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you. **Alleluia!**

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HYMN:

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

#365

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6 – 9

More than 700 years before Christ, the prophet Isaiah proclaims the good news of God's salvation and calls all people to rejoice! God will make a rich feast for all people. God will wipe the tears from their eyes. And most importantly, God will destroy death itself.

Response: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC | OSLC CHOIR (8:30 a.m.)

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1 – 11

The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

Response: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN:**"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing"****#385****GOSPEL: Mark 16:1 – 8**

The Holy Gospel according to mark 16:1 – 8. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON**HYMN:****"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"****#384****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – 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**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER

OFFERING HYMN:

“Thine the Amen”

#826



GIVE ONLINE

Thank you for all the ways you continue to support the mission and ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Your glad and generous hearts ensure that we are able to step faithfully and fully into God's work in this world. Here are a few ways you can be a part of God's work through this community of faith...

- 1) Make an gift in the offering plates located in the rear of the sanctuary.
- 2) Scan the QR code, or visit our website oursaviorsvc.org and click "Give Online", to make a recurring or one time gift.
- 3) Consider a one-time gift or three year pledge to our Growing in Grace Capital Appeal. Appeal brochures and pledge cards are available in the rear of the sanctuary.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. **And also 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 our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” #362

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives” #619

DISTRIBUTION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

HYMN:

“Christ is Arisen, Alleluia”

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SENDING

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

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WITH GRATITUDE FOR THOSE WHO SHARED EASTER FLOWERS...

Bouquets of Flowers on the Altar are given in memory of **Einar Loven and Jim Flynn**, given by Patty Loven, Todd & Kristi Kohler and families.

In memory of our parents, brothers and sisters, given by Dennis & Judy Gumke.

In memory of Orville & Vivian Rensby, given by their daughters Tami, Sandy and their families.

In memory of Arnold, Oscar and LeRoy, given by Mavis Dilts.

In memory of Marvin & Marcy Johnson and Ken & Jeannie Kohler, given by Monte & Pat Johnson.

In memory of Henry and Richard Thum, Emma & Alfred Thum and Barbara & Duane Johnson, Alice Rausch and Vera Descha, given by Bud Thum.

In memory of Jacob Riedman, given by Gary & Kathy Riedman.

In memory of Mary Braunagel and Alvin & Janet Gaalswyk, given by Joyce & Brad Braunagel.

In honor of Herman Tryhus, and in memory of Joyce Tryhus and Marvin & Bernita Karch, given by Mel & Judy Karch.

In memory of Grant Lebahn, given by Darin & Julia Anderson.

In memory of Grant Lebahn, given by Terry & Lenore Lebahn.

In memory of Keith Olson, given by Cheryl Olson & family.

In honor of Aven, Maya, and Roman, our grandchildren, given by Larry & Carol Foth.

In a sure and certain hope of the resurrection, given by the Robinson/Symanski household.

REMINDERS:

The church office and building will be closed on Monday, April 1st in observance of Easter.

WE BEGIN OUR NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK, APRIL 7th

8:30 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship

9:00 a.m. – Worship

10:00 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship | Sunday School | Growing in Faith