

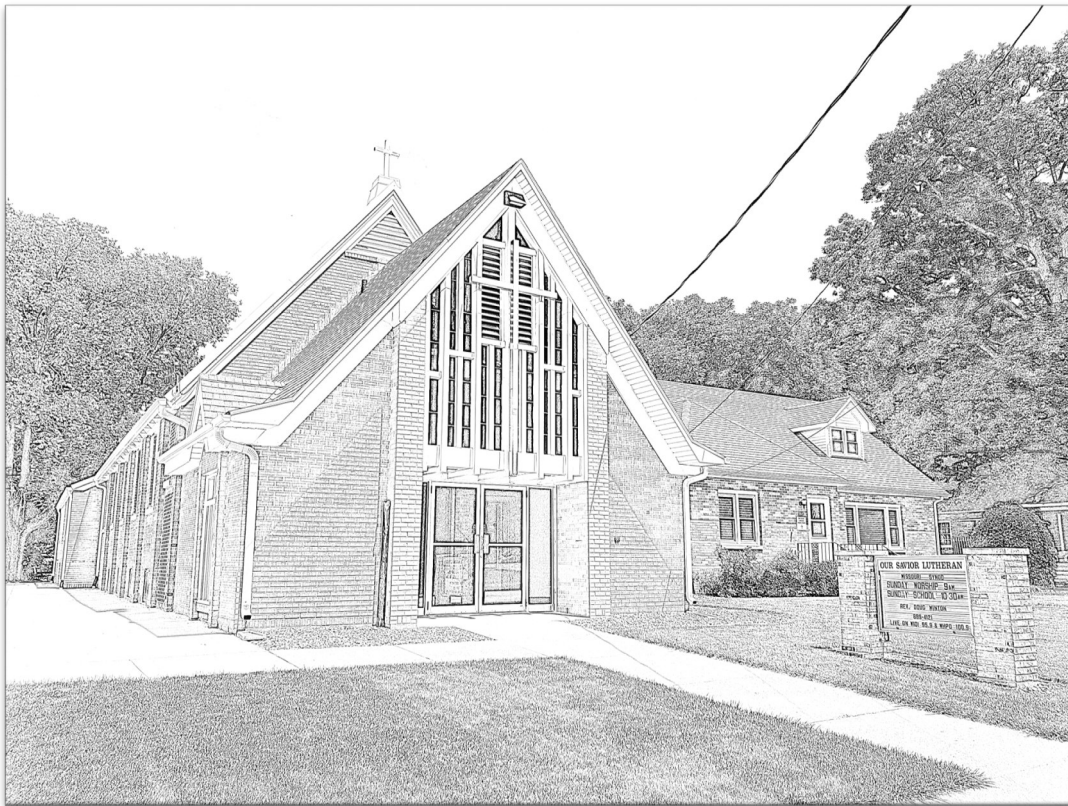
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Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025

Welcome Visitors!

We celebrate the Lord's Supper at this holy gathering in celebration and confession that the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14) is present here with His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine we receive at the altar (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:24-25).

Because this Sacrament is called Communion, all who come to the rail are to confess the same confession of faith. Because there are differences between denominations, we ask that you please speak to Pastor if you are not a member of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation.

This practice is not a judgment upon anyone's faith. It is the Church's ancient practice to make sure that no one takes Jesus' body and blood to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). During the distribution, we ask that you sing the distribution hymns, meditate upon Jesus' death and resurrection as the reason for our gathering, and pray for the day that the devilish divisions between us will be abolished by the Son of God when He returns.

Divine Service Setting Three

Prayer Before Worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

Opening Hymn

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

LSB 465



1	Now	all	the	vault	of	heav'n	re -	sounds	In
2	E -	ter -	nal	is	the	gift	He	brings,	There -
3	O	fill	us,	Lord,	with	daunt -	less	love;	Set
△ 4	A -	dor -	ing	prais -	es	now	we	bring	And



praise	of	love	that	still	a -	bounds:	"Christ	has	tri -	umphed!
fore	our	heart	with	rap -	ture	sings:	"Christ	has	tri -	umphed!
heart	and	will	on	things	a -	bove	That	we	con -	quer
with	the	heav'n -	ly	bles -	ed	sing:	"Christ	has	tri -	umphed!

He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our

clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
life And by His pres - ence stills all
day That by our lives we tru - ly
Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly

here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!

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

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Easter Acclamation

Confession and Absolution

LSB 184

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm 16

¹Preserve me, | O God,*

for in you I take | refuge.

²I say to the LORD, “You | are my Lord;*
I have no good a- | part from you.”

³As for the saints | in the land,*
they are the excellent ones,
in whom is all | my delight.

⁴The sorrows of those who run after another god shall | multiply;*
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names | on my lips.

⁵The LORD is my chosen portion | and my cup;*
you | hold my lot.

⁶The lines have fallen for me in pleasant | places;*
indeed, I have a beautiful in- | heritance.

⁷I bless the LORD who gives me | counsel;*
in the night also my heart in- | structs me.

⁸I have set the LORD always be- | fore me;*
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;*
my flesh also | dwells secure.

¹⁰For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,*
or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.

¹¹You make known to me the | path of life;*
 in your presence there is fullness of joy;
 at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirt;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Kyrie

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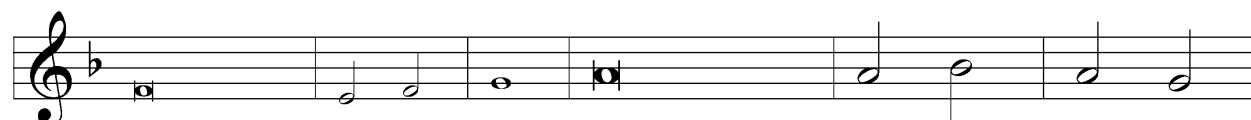
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria In Excelsis

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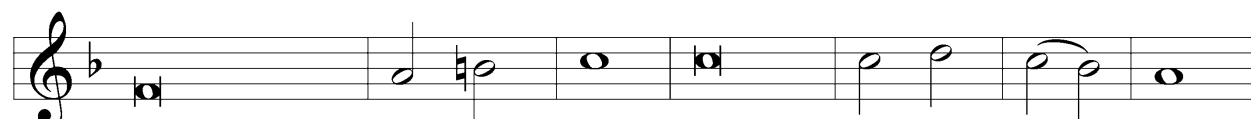
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



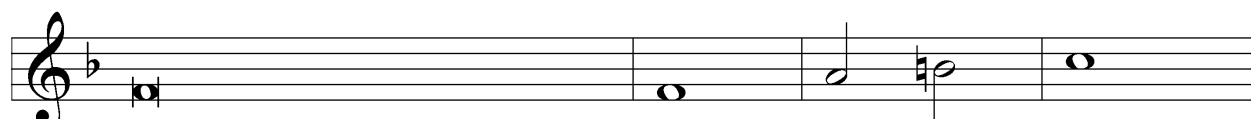
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



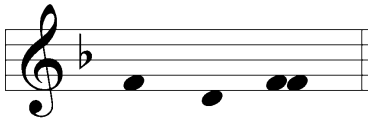
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir-it.



P Let us pray.

P Heavenly Father ... one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

- ¹⁷“Behold, I create new heavens
and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be remembered
or come into mind.
¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever
in that which I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,
and her people to be a gladness.
¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem
and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping
and the cry of distress.
²⁰No more shall there be in it
an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not fill out his days,
for the young man shall die a hundred years old,
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.
²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
²²They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
²³They shall not labor in vain
or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,
and their descendants with them.
²⁴Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;
the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
and dust shall be the serpent’s food.

They shall not hurt or destroy
in all my holy mountain,”
says the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

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

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” ⁸And they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping

and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.



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!
 Its sting is lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Here our true Paschal Lamb we see,
 Whom God so freely gave us;
 He died on the accursèd 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!

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!

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!

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Sermon

“Feast of Victory ”
Isaiah 25:6-9

Offertory

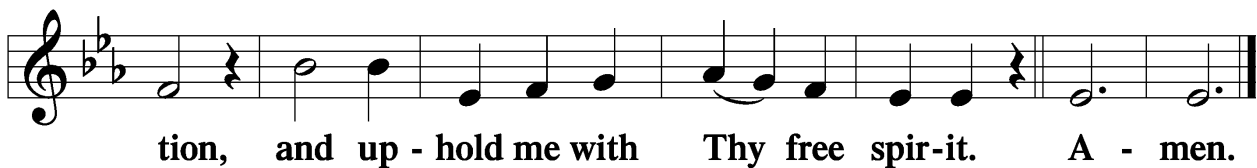
LSB 192

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



Offering

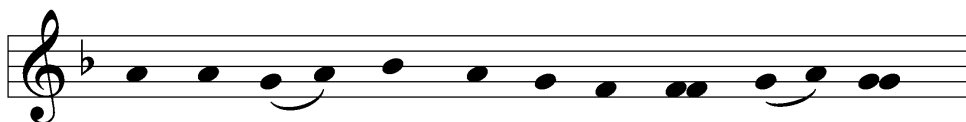
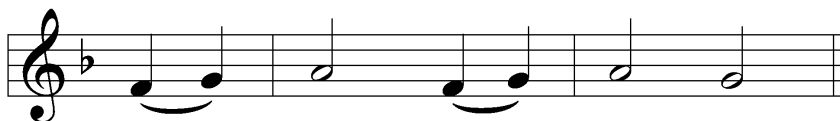
Prayer of the Church

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

Preface

LSB 194



P It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.

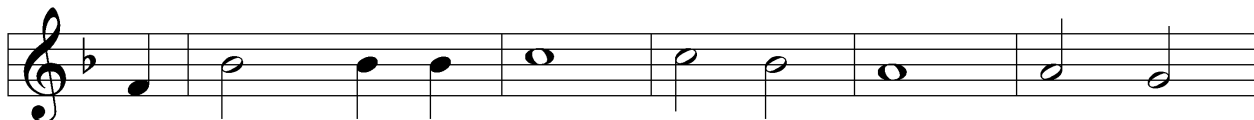


Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the

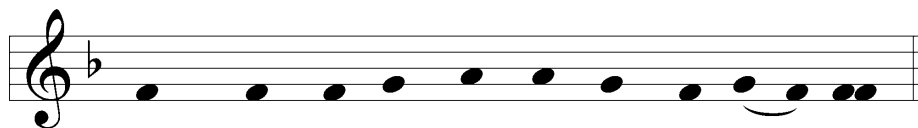


glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

LSB 197



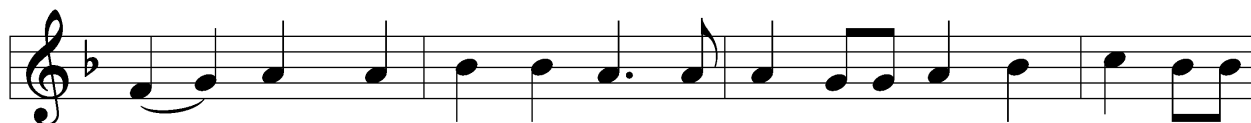
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



G A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Prayer Before Communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive his holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

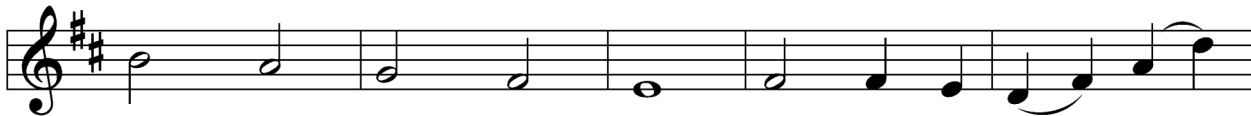
Distribution Hymns

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

LSB 461



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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“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

LSB 633



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um-phantly go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!

△ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days:
 Three in One, Your name we praise.
 Alleluia!

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Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

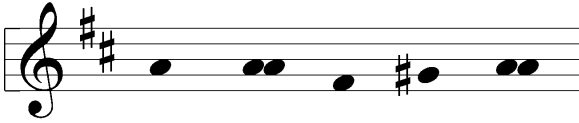
A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus

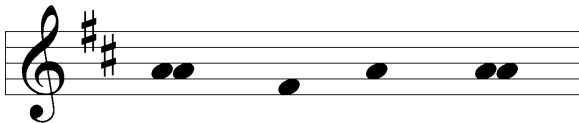
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P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

LSB 490



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall
 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell
 mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will
 When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall



scenes will then com-mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 faith - ful; doubt-ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

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Gene and Marilyn Reeves

In honor of LaVerne and Don Hubner

Landon and Megan Reutter

In memory of Marlene Reutter

Bob and Chris Rieches
To the Glory of God

Melvin Rieches and Family
In memory of Sarieta Rieches

Stan and Chris Schroeder
In memory of Don and LaVerne Hubner
In memory of Adam Hubner

Barb Teig
In memory of Carl Teig

Joyce Williams
In memory of Larry Williams

Lucas and Monica Wright
To the Glory of God



***"Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live,
and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die.'"
John 11:25-26***

Events This Week

Today: Worship at OSLC, 9am
Today: Worship at Good Shepherd, 11:30am
Wednesday: Chapel at St. Paul, Woodworth, 8:30am
Wednesday: Acts Bible Class, 10am
Wednesday: *Bulletin/Newsletter Deadline, 10am*
Thursday: Council Meeting, 7pm
Saturday: Worship at Immanuel, 6pm
Next Sunday: Voter's Meeting following service

Those Serving at OSLC

	4/20/25	4/27/25
Elder	Neil Rieches	Jim Winder
Organist	Linda Kellerhals	Theta Lee
Radio Monitors	Chris Schroeder Marilyn Reeves	Justin and Brenna Schroeder
Sound Board	Patrick Teig	Patty Bruens
Greeters	Gene and Marilyn Reeves	Landon and Megan Reutter
Acolyte	Jackson L (6:30) Evelyn M (9:00)	Ellie Schwartz
Head Usher	Jon Goldenstein	Jon Goldenstein
Altar Guild	Kendra Morts Renee Minton	Kendra Morts Renee Minton

Announcements

EASTER FLOWER REMINDER: Please plan to pick up your flowers after the 9am Easter service or on Monday. Some of the beautiful flowers do not hold up with no sunlight in the church during the week. Talk to Renee if you have any questions.

VOTER'S MEETING AND CHURCH COUNCIL meetings have been moved back a week due to Easter. Please note this change and plan now to attend.

Thursday, April 24 - Church Council meeting at 7:00pm

Sunday, April 27 - Voters Meeting following service.

EASTER BREAKFAST will be served between our services today - about 7:45am. We will serve breakfast casseroles, waffles, fruit, and pastries. Join us for food and fellowship as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord.

HAPPY 10th BIRTHDAY, MAHLAH! Join us on Sunday, May 4, 2025, as we celebrate Mahlah's birthday. There will be cupcakes and a time to visit with Mahlah and her handlers following our worship service in the fellowship hall. We will also hold a canned food drive with the donations going to our local food pantry. The box is located in the Narthex. Mahlah's birthday is May 2, 2015. Hope to see you there!!!

CENTRAL ILLINOIS DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP Sunday is May 4th. Gifts will be used to support our CID students who are attending an LCMS seminary or university to become a pastor, teacher, deaconess, or other called church worker. Please plan to make a generous gift now or on May 4th. Checks may be sent to the Central Illinois District -LCMS, 1850 N. Grand Avenue West, Springfield, IL 62702-1626 or there are envelopes in the narthex. Since the need for called workers is so great, we also ask you to encourage those who may be good candidates to consider pursuing a called church-worker vocation.

2025 LAWN MOWING: Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. The grass is growing and we need your help. THANK YOU to those that have mowed the lawn already this spring! There are plenty of options to fit your schedule. We are asking those that are able to sign up for a couple weeks to push mow the church/annex yards (not the big back yard). Thank you in advance for continuing to support and help your church.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE "Perhaps as our culture seems to be increasingly more challenging, it may help to think of hope as the complete opposite of despair. Hope is not optional for the believer. Our hope is secure because, as we all say again, 'Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!'"

John Stonestreet – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Prayer List

Those celebrating a birthday:

Delmer Henrichs	Today
Jeff Bridge	Monday
Jessica Lange	Tuesday
Justin Lavicka	Thursday

Those celebrating an anniversary:

Norman and Maryanne Anderson	Today (57 years)
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Those suffering from cancer:

Linda Buhrmester
John Lee
Nancy Tobeck
Joey, radio listener
Janet Doyle, friend of Patty Bruens
Dale Colvin, cousin of Jim Winder
Tim Evans, brother in law of Bob Storm
Lisa High, friend of Becky Hiles
Kendra Howard, niece of Doug Benner
Pamela Howard, sister of Doug Benner
Becky Lehmann, cousin of Bob Storm
Fred Wright, brother of Marvin Wright

Those requesting your prayers:

Melvin Rieches, health issues
Annabelle Trudeau, Milford resident, health issues
Bailey York, friend of Joyce Williams, health issues
Those recovering from Hurricanes Helene and Milton
Those recovering from the wildfires in California

Homebound Members

Dianne Estes
Delmer Henrichs
Dorothy Knake
Joann Sloan
Brenda St. Peter

Those serving in our Armed Forces and our local Law Enforcement, especially those connected to the OSLC family:

Armed Forces

Karl Gibbs - serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy

Justin McGahan - Milford community member, serving in the U.S. Army

Corey Moore - OSLC Member and son of Kevin and Kasey Moore, serving in the U.S. Marine Reserves

Timothy Raddatz - nephew of Phil and Cindy Raddatz, serving in the U.S. Coast Guard

Kaleb Waldbeser - friend of Bob and Donna Flesher, serving in the U.S. Marine Corp.

Law Enforcement

Wyatt Alt - Iroquois County Sheriff Department

Central Illinois District Congregations: Concordia in Geneseo and Stephen Mueller her pastor.

Iroquois Circuit Congregations: Immanuel in Loda and St. Peter in Thawville and Earl Kinnee as he preaches for them.

Those studying at the Seminary:

Vicar Simon Niemtschk, St. Paul in Carroll, IA

Seminarian Jacob Bergstedt, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft Wayne, IN.

Those serving in the Mission Field:

Rev. Samuel Bobby, his wife Erica, and sons Judah, August, Benjamin, Simon, and Pax, our adopted international missionary, currently serving in Latvia. Rev. Bobby teaches at The Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia.



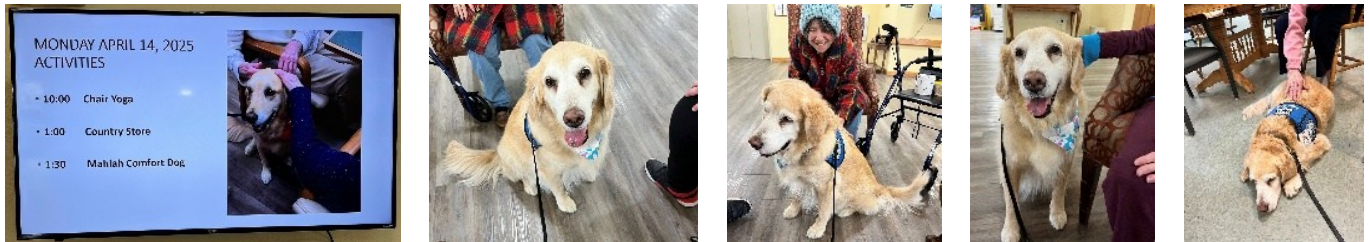
Moments with Mahlah

For the Week of April 13, 2025

Mahlah's week began in Indiana, where she attended the beautiful Palm Sunday service at Trinity in Goodland, especially enjoying her time with the children. From there it was on to Lafayette where she visited at Majestic Care. Her handler for the day was Diane Costello.



On Monday Mahlah visited Heritage Woods in Watseka, with Susan Yergler as handler and Rod Yergler as ministry partner.



At this writing Mahlah was scheduled for a grooming on Thursday with Susan as handler, and a Saturday visit to Friendship House in West Lafayette, for a meeting of the Chapter of the National Foundation of the Blind. Diane Costello was to be handler.

Looking back to last Thursday, when Mahlah visited in Momence and Manteno.



Remember to email Mahlah at Mahlah@K9Comfort.org if you know of an individual or organization that would benefit from a visit. Thanks for your continued support as we seek to bring the compassion, mercy, presence, and proclamation of Jesus to all.