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The Third Sunday of Easter – April 26, 2020

Hymn of Invocation: 475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



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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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 33:1, 18–20; antiphon: vv. 5b, 6a



The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.*

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you | righteous!*

Praise befits the | upright.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear him,*

on those who hope in his | steadfast love,

that he may deliver their | soul from death*

and keep them alive in | famine.

Our soul waits | for the LORD;*

he is our help | and our shield.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.*

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

P Let us pray.
 O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16

¹¹“For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:21-25

²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

New Testament Canticle

LSB 266

Refrain

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed. Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain. Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 10:11–16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹¹[Jesus said:] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down

my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever!

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Sermon The Good God-Shepherd (Ez. 34:11,16; 1 Peter 2:25; John 10:14-15)

Hymn: 719 I Leave All Things to God's Direction



1 I leave all things to God's di - rec - tion; He loves me
2 God knows what must be done to save me; His love for
3 My God de - sires the soul's sal - va - tion; My soul He,
4 My God has all things in His keep - ing; He is the



both in joy and woe. His will is good, sure His af -
me will nev - er cease. Up - on His hands He did en -
too, de - sires to save. There - fore with Chris - tian res - ig -
ev - er faith - ful friend. He gives me laugh - ter af - ter



fec - tion; His ten - der love is true, I know. My for - tress
grave me With pur - est gold of lov - ing grace. His will su -
na - tion All earth - ly trou - bles I will brave. His will be
weep - ing, And all His ways in bless - ings end. His love en -



and my rock is He: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
preme must ev - er be: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
done e - ter - nal - ly: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
dures e - ter - nal - ly: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.

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Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Closing Collect

Benediction

LSB 183



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - - - men.

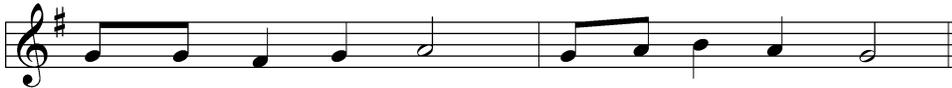
Hymn to Depart: 718 Jesus, Lead Thou On



1 Je - sus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won; And al-though the
2 If the way be drear, If the foe be near, Let not faith-less
3 When we seek re - lief From a long-felt grief, When temp - ta - tions
4 Je - sus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won. Heav'n-ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, We will fol - low calm and fear - less.
fears o'er - take us; Let not faith and hope for - sake us;
come al - lur - ing, Make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing.
still di - rect us, Still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



Guide us by Thy hand To our fa - ther - land.
For through man - y a woe To our home we go.
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.
Till we safe - ly stand In our fa - ther - land.

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Prayer Requests & Announcements

Pastor—Family Visitations: To make an appointment for confession and absolution, prayer, a devotion, or receiving Holy Communion, please reach out to one of the pastors directly either by email or cell phone to schedule a visitation.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort—Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Ilene Shepherd, Brigette Ritter, Diane Lawrence, Dr. Crystal Rossow, Charice McDowell, Mavis Kalk, Joyce O'Hern, Melvin Haag, Carol Heinen (mother of Andrew Heinen), and Carol Kappel (mother of Dan Kappel). Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform your pastors.

Our homebound members are John and Arleen Barrett, Linda Bredenberg, Sue Erickson, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Vivian Kuns, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, and Ilene Shepherd.

All those serving in our Armed Forces—Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Kevin Mazurowski (Deployed), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (Florida), Brian Pruhs (Germany), Joseph Radintz (home), Emily Sawyer (Florida), and Danny Schilling (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year—the family of Audrey Bauermeister, Shirley Holthus & family (at the loss of her sister, Sharon Berndt), the family of Dorothy Cooper, the family of Pr. Roger Dramstad (former Circuit Pr.-Eternal Hope, Brooklyn Park), Jerry Rogge & family (at the loss of his father Merlyn), Katie Moss & family (at the loss of her grandmother Barbara Behling), Rob Essig & family (at the loss of his brother-in-law Barry Schramel), Mark Ellinger & family (at the loss of his mother Ruth), the family of Robert Malwitz, the family of Alvin Cook, and the family of Betty Schmiege.

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones—Justin Bermel & family (at the loss of his father Douglas, and his brother Jeffrey), Rob Borcharding & family (at the loss of his mother Carol), the family of Rev. Greg Tyler (Pastor at St. Paul Lutheran in Osseo), Lisa Kolander & family (at the loss of her mother Lucy Fairchild), Jan Stadler & family (at the loss of her sister, JoAnne Hackbarth), John Meyer & family (at the loss of his brother Jeff), the family of Larry Jobes, and Dan Kappel & family (at the loss of his father Francis).

All expecting families and their unborn children—especially Maria & Jeremy Koosman, and Zach and Megan Stewart. If you would like to announce your pregnancy to the Church that we might pray for you, please contact one of our pastors.

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne, IN) and Concordia Seminary (St. Louis, MO).

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL: This week we pray for SEWAC Deacons Mark Ellinger & Jerry Rogge and the Board Members, and also for our Third Grade Teacher Ruth Droogsma.

† Announcements †

SOCIAL DISTANCING: *All St. John's regularly scheduled services, events, and activities have been cancelled until further notice.* **Pastor—Family Visitation** appointments are being scheduled; please keep in mind your social distancing awareness and hygiene guidelines when entering the building and encountering other individuals.

CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY: We will reschedule the meeting as soon as practical once the current social distancing policies associated with the Coronavirus pandemic are loosened. We plan to use the same packets that have already been distributed for the meeting. Please continue to keep St. John's, our members, our community and our country in your prayers as we deal with this crisis.

GRATITUDE FOR SERVICE: Sgt. Nicholas J. Malikowski has completed his tour of active duty with the United States Marine Corps; we are thankful for his honorable military service dedication, and praise God for safely preserving him.

A HEARTFELT THANKS to Pr. Moss & Pr. Johnson and our St. John's family for all the prayers and encouragement while our son served in the U.S. Marine Corps. We are pleased to say Nicholas has officially completed his active duty and is finally home. Thank you everyone very much for all your love and support; may God bless you all. Sincerely, John & Ginny Malikowski

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: (April 26-May 2) **Sunday-** Trent Nelson/Sam Say, **Monday-** Kyle Gardner, **Tuesday-** Diane Haag/James Honsey/Ronald Mead/Crystal Rossow, **Wednesday-** Larissa Alvarez/Edward Murschel, **Thursday-** Dan Burfeind/Dave Hebert, **Friday-** Al Mazurowski, **Saturday-** Leland Baldwin/Antoon Bussing/Nellie Buttweiler/Marlys Kothrade.

	<u>Last Week*</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
	04/19/20	since 07/01/19
FINANCIAL UPDATE <i>ts-All Sources</i>	\$ 26,888	\$ 1,274,421
<i>Amount Needed</i>	\$ 20,142	\$ 1,397,474
<i>Amount Ahead (Behind)</i>	\$ 6,746	\$ (123,053)
<i>% Ahead (-Behind)</i>		-9%

Current Building Mortgage Balance (March 31, 2020): \$328,687