

Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

† DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR †

Greeting & Announcements

Opening Hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

LSB 469

- 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!"
Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er;
Lo! He sets in blood no more.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise;
Christ has opened paradise.
- 4 Lives again our glorious King!
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save;
Where thy victory, O grave?
- 5 Soar we now where Christ has led;
Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
- 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

Confession and Absolution

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

Invocation

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

Exhortation

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- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Introit

Ps. 133; antiphon: Ps. 133:1

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!

**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron,
running down on the collar of his robes!**

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!

Kyrie

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C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis

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C **To God on high be glory**

And peace to all the earth;

Goodwill from God in heaven

Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!

We praise and bless You, Father;

Your holy name we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy,
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.

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.

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them,
“Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and
give ear to my words.

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him
both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and
the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” ³⁸And Peter said to
them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ
for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” ⁴⁰And with many other

words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Peter 1:17-25

¹⁷And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for

“All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,
and the flower falls,

²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

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C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were

kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But 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 happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” ²⁵And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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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.

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

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- 1 My hope is built on nothing less
 Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
 No merit of my own I claim
 But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain
- ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
 All other ground is sinking sand,
 All other ground is sinking sand.
- 2 When darkness veils His lovely face,
 I rest on His unchanging grace;
 In ev'ry high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain

- 3 His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

Sermon

1 Peter 1:17-25

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

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P Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**
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 **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”

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1 Alleluia!
Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb,
Heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain

ref 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

**Those Serving In
The Worship Service Sunday Morning
April 26, 2020**

Preacher Rev. Michael Redeker
Liturgist Rev. Joshua Schmidt
Organist Marilyn Smith
Videographer Glacia Peck

**Announcements
April 26, 2020**

FOOD PANTRY -We need anything and everything! Vegetables, rice, and complete meals in a box, spam, canned chicken, peanut butter, soups, saltine crackers, powdered milk, cereal, toilet paper, and toothpaste. We will continue to be open for those in need even through the stay at home order. Thank you for being a blessing to others!!!

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY-Pastor Redeker's sermons can be heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. If you would like to be a sponsor for this ministry contact the church office, 970-245-2838.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR-Listen to The Lutheran Hour message each Sunday morning at 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station.

ONLINE GIVING - Click online giving on the front page of our website www.messiahlutherangj.org to set up reoccurring offering or a onetime donation.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT- "Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile

ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot" (1 Peter 1:18-19). We have been ransomed - bought back from the slavery into which we were born. We do not belong to ourselves, or to the devil, or to the world. We belong to Jesus. Therefore, we live our lives not in accordance with our own wisdom but in line with God's Word. (from the LCMS Stewardship website) -The Board of Stewardship

BAKELESS BAKE SALE -The BakelessBake Sale is under way! The Ladies Guild projects chosen this year will support: Bibles for 3rdgraders, 6 months support of radio ministry, future industrial stove in the kitchen, church office supplies, quilters group, missionaries of the Vanderhyde family and a seminary student. Please make your checks out to Ladies Guild of Messiah. Thank you for your generous support.

URGENT NEED COMMUNION SETUP AND CLEANUP -The Holy Communion signup sheet is in need of people to

help in setting up and cleaning up of communion. Set Up is needed for the months of August, and October. Clean up is needed for the months of June, September, November and December. Please prayerfully consider helping. We are more than willing to train or help in anyway. Our thanks to those who have previously given generously of their time in service to our Lord. Contact

Laura Ryden, 970-241-0438 for more information.

HOLY COMMUNION SET UP AND CLEAN UP FOR WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES OF 2020 -need volunteers. Our thanks to those who have previously given generously of their time in service to our Lord. Contact Laura Ryden, 970-260-6766 for more information.

Please remember to let the office know of any changes of individuals that you have placed on the Prayer List.

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am 9:30am	Divine Service/Facebook Live Adult Bible Study /Zoom
Monday	-----	Pastor Schmidt’s Day Off
Tuesday	9:30am 4:00pm	Office Staff Meeting Sr. High/Zoom
Wednesday	8:00am 8:30am 6:00pm	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline Chapel / Zoom Young Adults / Zoom
Thursday		
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker’s Day Off
Saturday		
Sunday	8:00am 9:30am	Divine Service/Facebook Live Adult Bible Study /Zoom

If you know anyone who is probably not receiving our online communications, do your best to fill them in.

*Our most recent updates will be on our Facebook Page:
Lutheran Church and School of Messiah*

These next few months are going to be tough for everyone.

But, we will get through it *together* by the grace of God.

**If you or someone you know is in Spiritual,
Physical, or any other need:**

We are here for you.

Pastor Redeker: (314) 608-5538

Pastor Schmidt: (314) 261-3180

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