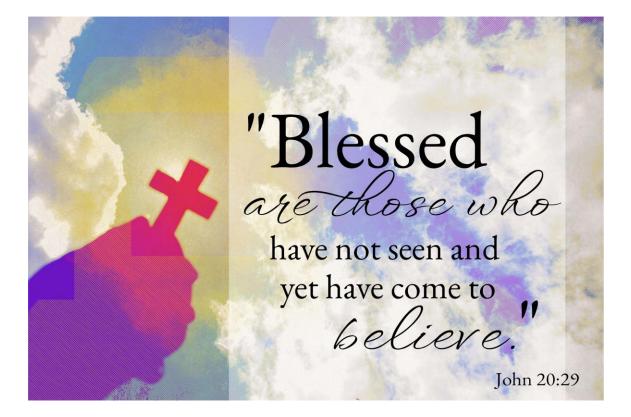
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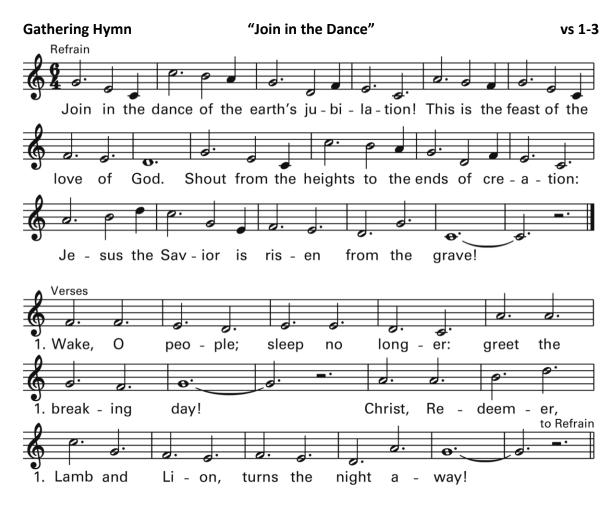


April 7, 2024

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Announcements



- 2 All creation, like a mother, labors to give birth.
 Soon the pain will be forgotten, joy for all the earth! *Refrain*
- Now our shame becomes our glory on this holy tree.
 Now the reign of death is ended; now we are set free! *Refrain*

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Call to Confession

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Prayer of Confession

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Greeting

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.**





Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Anthem (8:30)

Adult Choir

"Walk in the Light" – arr. Andrew Thomas

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Reading: Acts 4:32-35

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

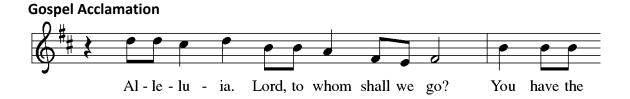
Reading: Psalm 133

¹How good and how pleasant it is, when kindred live together in unity!

²It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.

³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.

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





P: The Holy Gospel according to John, chapter twenty. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the [temple leadership], Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon		"Together i	in l	Unity"	Pastor Dave		
H	ymn of the Day	"We Walk k	by	Faith"	ELW #635 vs 1,2,4&5		
1	We walk by faith and not by sig with gracious words draw near O Christ, who spoke as none e "My peace be with you here."	r,	2	We may not tou nor follow wher but in your pron and cry, "My Lou	nise we rejoice,		
4	For you, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine: beneath the water and the wo		5	And when our li in realms of clea we may behold	•		

with full and endless sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.

beneath the bread and wine.

Apostles' Creed

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.

9th Grade Milestone (10:30)

P: Congregation, do you promise to encourage and pray for these young people during this time of growth into adulthood, asking God to be with them and guide them? If so, answer, we do and we ask God to help us.

C: We do, and we ask God to help us.

P: Let us pray,

C: Loving Lord, we thank you that you have marked these young people with the cross of Christ, and that you have identified them as your children. We ask that you continue to guide and protect them as they reach this milestone of receiving their driver's license that brings with it more independence and responsibility. May they continue to grow in their love and faith in you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Prayers of the People P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing God's Peace

Offertory



Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here

be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a quest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given "for you and for all people." For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

P: The Lord be with you, P: Lift up your hearts, P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God, C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

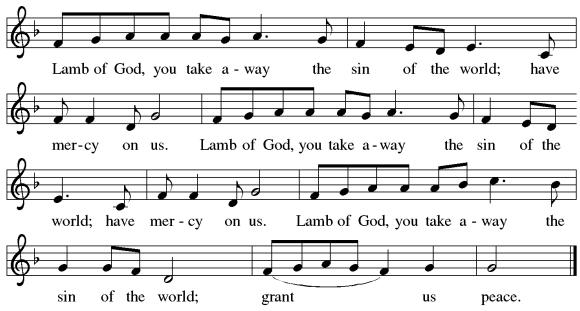
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.





Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction



- Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Savior now has come.
 He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.
 Refrain
- Glad my soul for I have seen
 The glory of the Lord.
 The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.
 I know my Savior lives. *Refrain*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

In Our Prayers This Week:

Rich Baumann, Audrey Broste, Russ Brown, Eloise Finstad, Dixie Flitter, Brad Haynes, Bryan Hopf, Marilyn Hudson, Ken Johnson, Lyndon Jones, Mavis Jones, Treacy Meyer, Verne Radloff, Pam Riebe, Sharon Riser, Gabrielle Rolloff, JoAnn Saffert, Marge Schmidt, Don Solberg

Blessed Bottoms diaper ministry had 51 requests in March. We really appreciate all of the support the congregation at Our Savior's Lutheran Church has given the program.

- Dawn, Sue, Nancy, and Eileen

Please hold these families and their requests in your prayers:

- My husband and I are both having some health issues and I'm pregnant with our second child currently
- For financial stability
- For continued encouragement and direction.
- I am currently working on forgiveness and letting my childhood/past go I would like to ask for help in strength to forgive others.
- Little Foster guy looking for forever home pray he finds a great one!
- Healthy last few weeks of pregnancy
- Five requests for prayers for good health
- Health and happiness
- Continued blessings and good health. We FINALLY have a home!!!!
- Just pray



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Pianist: Tom Maidl	A/V: Jeff Julien		
Deacon: (8:30) Coryn Enck	(10:30) Lexi Uhl		
Acolytes: (8:30) Brecklyn Harazin, Carson Kiecker			
(10:30) Lasca Flitter, Chase Lee			
Communion Server: (8:30) Bob Gruenhagen	(10:30) Becca Warta		
Lector: (8:30) Tom Kaehler	(10:30) Deb Egeland		
Ushers: (8:30) Jim Schmidt	(10:30)		
P/P: (8:30)	(10:30)		

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3/31 Building Fund		\$	2,815.00	\$	69,292.00	\$	13,749.97	
TOTAL:		\$	21,551.00	\$	192,450.18	\$	147,005.69	
3/31 World Hu	inger	\$	120.00	\$	2,375.00			
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