## He Is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed!

## The Resurrection of Our Lord SonRise Worship - 7:00am March 31, 2024

#### Please note the following:

If you brought an offering this morning, please place it and your attendance card in the brown chest on the altar when you commune or before you leave. The elders have extra pencils at the back for attendance forms. EGiving available online at: <u>http://www.blcbcs.org/</u>

Holy Communion will be served via continuous line. Please take your time as you come and as you commune. We are not in any great hurry. Please take the time which this day demands!

If you need any assistance during this outdoor service, do not hesitate to step to the back of the rows of seats as we have several elders serving us today.

#### A Warm Bethel Welcome to Our Guests!

We are delighted you are with us. For our first time guests we have a gift waiting for you at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Please be sure to pick up your mug. Also, please take a moment to register your visit on the Connection Card on the back of this bulletin. It will be collected the same time as the offering. We also have information on Children's Sunday School, Adult Bible Classes and facility maps to aid in finding classes.

**Nursery Care** is available in Rm. 152 for ages 4 and under. If your little one becomes restless, feel free to use the Nursery. The ushers will be glad to be of assistance. Please know though, that your children and babies are always welcome as we worship.

If you wish to participate in the Lord's Supper, please read the statement concerning the Supper on your attendance card. If you are in agreement with us, then please sign the card and place it in the offering plate. We offer gluten-free wafers at Communion. If your diet/health requires that you do not eat gluten, please ask for one from the elder serving the bread at the time you commune. If you are medically or emotionally unable to drink the offered wine, then grape-juice with a single drop of wine is offered in the center of each tray. Simply ask the elder for a cup from the middle of the tray.

## Service of Light

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. All: Amen.

- Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, on this most holy morning, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, we are gathered here in waiting and prayer. This is the beginning of the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord in which, by hearing His Word and celebrating his sacrament, we share in His victory over death.
- Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, pour out on us Your abundant blessing that all who, in true faith, share this morning in joyful celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- All: Once we were in darkness, but now we are in the Light, even Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- Pastor: Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels; rejoice now, all creation; sound forth, trumpet of salvation, and proclaim the triumph of our King. Rejoice too, all the earth, in the radiance of the light now poured upon you and made brilliant by the brightness of the everlasting King; know that the ancient darkness has been forever banished.
- All: Rejoice, O Church of Christ, clothed in the brightness of this light; let all this house of God ring out with rejoicing, with the praises of all God's faithful people.

| Hymn |   | Jesus Christ is Risen Today                                                                                                                                    | LSB 457 |
|------|---|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
|      | 1 | Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!<br>Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!<br>Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!<br>Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia! |         |
|      | 2 | Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!<br>Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!<br>Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!                         |         |
| ela  |   | Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!                                                                                                                          |         |
|      |   | 3                                                                                                                                                              |         |

- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia! Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

- All: And with your spirit.
- Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
- All: We lift them to the Lord.
- Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

All: It is good and right so to do.

- Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places, with all our heart and mind and voice, praise You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty everlasting God, and Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. For He is the very Paschal Lamb who offered Himself for the sin of the world, who has cleansed us by the shedding of His precious blood. This is the morning when all who believe in Christ are delivered from bondage to sin and are restored to life and immortality. This is the morning when Christ, the Life, arose from the dead.
- All: The seal of the grave is broken and the morning of the new creation breaks forth out of night. Oh, how wonderful and beyond all telling is Your mercy toward us, O God, that to redeem a slave You gave Your Son. How holy is this morning when all wickedness is put to flight and sin is washed away.
- Pastor: How holy is this morning when innocence is restored to the fallen and joy is given to those downcast. How blessed is this morning when man is reconciled to God in Christ.
- All: Holy Father, accept now the morning sacrifices of our thanksgiving and praise. Let Christ, the true light and morning star, shine in our hearts. He who gave light to all creation, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Opening Hymn**

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 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! Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-99, abr. Text: Jublic domain



## Service of Readings

Reader: On this most holy morning our Savior, Christ the Lord, broke the power of death and by His resurrection brought life and salvation to all creation. Let us praise the Lord, for He truly keeps His Word. The sun of righteousness has dawned upon us who have sat in darkness and in the shadow of death.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Job 19:23–27

<sup>23</sup>"Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
<sup>24</sup>Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!
<sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
<sup>26</sup>And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God,
<sup>27</sup>whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!"

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle Reading

#### 1 Corinthians 15:51–57

<sup>51</sup>Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory." <sup>55</sup>"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.** 

#### The Resurrection

#### **Holy Gospel Reading**

Pastor: The Gospel reading from John chapter 20.

<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. <sup>2</sup> So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

<sup>3</sup> So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. <sup>4</sup> Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, <sup>7</sup> as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. <sup>8</sup> Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. <sup>9</sup> (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

<sup>11</sup> Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb <sup>12</sup> and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. <sup>13</sup> They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." <sup>14</sup> At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

<sup>15</sup> He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me

John 20:1-18



where you have put him, and I will get him." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.""

<sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Apostles' Creed (Spoken together)

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.

| Sermon Hymn | Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won                                                                         | LSB 490, 1 |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| ·           | 1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!                                                                      |            |
|             | Death no longer can appall me;                                                                         |            |
|             | Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!                                                                    |            |
|             | From the grave will Christ recall me.                                                                  |            |
|             | Brighter scenes will then commence;                                                                    |            |
|             | This shall be my confidence.                                                                           |            |
|             | 2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne                                                                       |            |
|             |                                                                                                        |            |
|             | High above all things is given.<br>I shall go where He is gone,                                        |            |
|             | Live and reign with Him in heaven.                                                                     |            |
|             | e                                                                                                      |            |
|             | God is faithful; doubtings, hence!                                                                     |            |
|             | This shall be my confidence.                                                                           |            |
|             | 5 Jesus lives! And now is death                                                                        |            |
|             | But the gate of life immortal;                                                                         |            |
|             | This shall calm my trembling breath                                                                    |            |
|             | When I pass its gloomy portal.                                                                         |            |
|             | Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:                                                                  |            |
|             | Jesus is my confidence!                                                                                |            |
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#### **Children's Time**

#### The Sermon

#### Sermon Response

- Christ the Lord Is Risen Today 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.
- 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.
- 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! Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt. Text: Unblic domain

## The Sunrise Litany

|         | •                                                                           |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Pastor: | O Lord,                                                                     |
| All:    | Have mercy.                                                                 |
| Pastor: | O Christ,                                                                   |
| All:    | Have mercy.                                                                 |
| Pastor: | O Lord,                                                                     |
| All:    | Have mercy.                                                                 |
| Pastor: | Who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification,  |
| All:    | Have mercy on us.                                                           |
| Pastor: | Who foretold Your Passion saying, "The Son of Man must be crucified and on  |
|         | the third day rise again,"                                                  |
| All:    | Have mercy on us.                                                           |
| Pastor: | Who destroyed Death by dying, and by rising to life again have brought life |
|         | and immortality to light,                                                   |
| All:    | Have mercy on us.                                                           |
| Pastor: | Whose resurrection was first announced by an angel to the women,            |
| A 11 •  | Have morey on us                                                            |

All: Have mercy on us.

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| Pastor:         | Who appeared to Mary Magdalene and was worshiped by her:                                                                                                                  |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| All:<br>Pastor: | Have mercy on us.<br>Who revealed Yourself to the two disciples on the Emmaus road and made<br>Yourself known to them in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread, |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor:         | Who appeared to the disciples, bestowing on them Your peace and Your Spirit,                                                                                              |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor:         | Who showed Your wounded hands and side to the apostle Thomas that he too might believe,                                                                                   |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor:         | Who appeared to seven disciples on the Sea of Galilee, bringing a miraculous catch of fish,                                                                               |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor:         | Who appeared to Peter and to the Twelve, to over 500 disciples, to James and to all the apostles, and to Paul on the Damascus road,                                       |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor:         | Who commissioned Your Church to make disciples of all nations by baptizing and teaching them,                                                                             |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor:         | By Your glorious resurrection from the dead,                                                                                                                              |
| All:            | Good Lord, deliver us.                                                                                                                                                    |
|                 | We poor sinners implore You,                                                                                                                                              |
| All:            | To hear us, Lord Jesus.                                                                                                                                                   |
| Pastor:         | Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,                                                                                                             |
| All:            | Have mercy on us.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Pastor: All:    | Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,<br>Have mercy on us.                                                                                        |

- Pastor: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- All: Grant us Your peace. Amen.

#### 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.

| Hymn of Praise | Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing                                                                                                            | LSB 528, 1-2-3 |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1              | Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing<br>My great Redeemer's praise,<br>The glories of my God and King,<br>The triumphs of His grace!            |                |
| 2              | My gracious Master and my God,<br>Assist me to proclaim,<br>To spread through all the earth abroad,<br>The honors of Thy name.                |                |
| 3              | Jesus! The name that charms our fears,<br>That bids our sorrows cease;<br>'Tis music in the sinner's ears,<br>'Tis life and health and peace. |                |

## Preparation For Our Lord's Supper

**Confession** (Taken from Martin Luther's "Christian Questions and Their Answers" LSB pg 329)

- Pastor: Do you believe that you are a sinner?
- People: Yes, I believe it. I am a sinner.
- Pastor: How do you know this?
- People: From the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.
- Pastor: Are you sorry for your sins?
- People: Yes. I am sorry that I have sinned against God.
- Pastor: What have you deserved from God because of your sins?
- People: His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.
- Pastor: Do you hope to be saved?
- People: Yes, that is my hope.
- Pastor: In whom then do you trust?
- People: In my dear Lord Jesus Christ.

Pastor: We confess together:

People: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

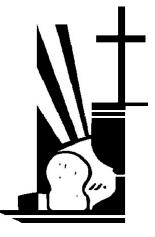
[a moment to confess your sins to the Lord]

Absolution

## Service of Holy Communion

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth,

All: For You have shown us mercy beyond what we could ever imagine. You gave for us Your onlybegotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. We thank You for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that He may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive Him Who comes to us in His body and blood. Amen.



#### **Pastor Speaks The Words of Institution**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

- All: And also with you.
- Pastor: Christ is risen!
- All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

(God's people greet one another with the resurrection greeting)

#### The Distribution of the Lord's Supper

#### Hymns during the Distribution

#### Hymn: LSB 474

#### Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

- 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!
- 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
- 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
- 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 Text: Herbert F. Brokering, 1926-2009 Text: 0: 1995 Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005020

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#### Rejoice, Angelic Choirs!

1 Rejoice, angelic choirs! Creation, join and sing; Sound forth the trumpet to proclaim The triumph of our King! Refrain

ref Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

2 In radiance of His light, The everlasting King Earth's ancient darkness overthrows, Forever banishing! Refrain

3 O Church of Christ, rejoice! God's faithful people, sing; Clothed in the brightness of this light, God's house with praises ring! Refrain Text: Stephen P. Starke, admin. Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: OAR Hymn License no. 110005020



LSB 549, vv. 1-5-6-7 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.

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Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.

- Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.

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**OAR 211** 

To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

LSB 588

#### Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, this I know, For the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong, They are weak but he is strong.

#### **Refrain:**

Yes Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, He Who died, Heaven's gates to open wide; He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in. *(Refrain)* 

Jesus loves me, He Who rose, By His life He surely shows; When I die I'll rise like Him, Crown of life is mine to win. *(Refrain)* 

Jesus loves me, He will stay, close beside me all the way. He will wash away my sin. Let His little child come in. *(Refrain)* 

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#### **The Post Communion Prayers**

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- Pastor: Let us pray. O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy.
- All: Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Pastor: Bless we the Lord.
- All: Thanks be to God.
- Pastor: Christ is risen!

#### All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

- Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- All: Amen.

#### Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

LSB 477

- Closing Hymn Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia 1 Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise: Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise; He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation bled— Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.
  - Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:
    See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat;
    Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,
    Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.
  - 3 Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high: Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory; Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity! Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

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## CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

The Altar Lilies this Easter morning are given to the Glory of God

### In Honor Of ...

Our Children and Grandchildren Chris, Melissa and Rhett Hartman gruber Our Children & Grandchildren Our Children & Grandchildren Andrew, Jennifer & Olivia Massey Kyle, Heather, Braxton, Brighton & Brayden Kasper Our Children and Grandchildren Lily Welch-great grandchild

#### By ...

Ken & Jennifer Goodenow Gerry & Patsy Hartmangruber Terry & Dolleen Hausenfluck Jim & Cathy Holste Pat & Barbara Kasper Pat & Barbara Kasper Larry & Joyce Piper LaRue Welch

## In Loving Memory of . . .

Parents, Roland and Neil Wilson Parents, Warren & Margie Anderson Bill Benfer Geraldine Boyd Kenneth Bryson Our Grandparents Our Parents Our Parents Our Parents Terry Roberts Ronald Celano Elizabeth Ellis Joe Favors Leonard Fritsche Our Parents By . . . Tim & Lisa Anderson Tim & Lisa Anderson Nancy Benfer T.J., Jennifer and Chyanne Boyd Pat Bryson Mike Clark Family John & Linda Dalchau Ken & Bobbie Denmark The Drager Family Eric & Cynthia DuPont David & Patti Ellis Jimmy & Dena Favors Georgia Fritsche Wes & Karen Hall

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| In Loving Memory of                         | <i>By</i>                             |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Andrea Janda                                | Ian, Alex & Joy Janda                 |
| Elizabeth & Eric Kappler                    | John Kappler                          |
| Our Parents                                 | Arthur & Ida Mae Kaspar               |
| Gene Ebner & our grandparents               | Kyle and Heather Kasper               |
| Calvin & Ruth Kasper, Robert Blakely and Lo | uise Blakely Pat & Barbara Kasper     |
| Viola & Gerhardt Kissman                    | Preston & Annette Kissman             |
| Esther & Charles Brockenbush                | Preston & Annette Kissman             |
| Sylvia Schreiner                            | George & Mary Ann Luber               |
| Jeffrey Kulcsar                             | George & Mary Ann Luber               |
| Our Parents                                 | Jerrell & Janie Lueckemeyer           |
| Shirley, Allan, Jim, Monty                  | Jerrell & Janie Lueckemeyer           |
| Our Parents                                 | Larry & Joyce Piper                   |
| Samuel Matthew Ramirez 600 Taised           | Juan & Kari Ramirez                   |
| Horace Schaffer & Thomas                    | Flo Schaffer                          |
| Franklin Schroeder and Will a SC            | Betty Schroeder                       |
| John Skommesa                               | Elizabeth & Rebecca Skommesa          |
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| Larry & Jeanette Degner                     | Pierce & Ellen Young                  |
| Lily & Jonathan Zehnder                     | The Zehnder Family                    |

**OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER** 

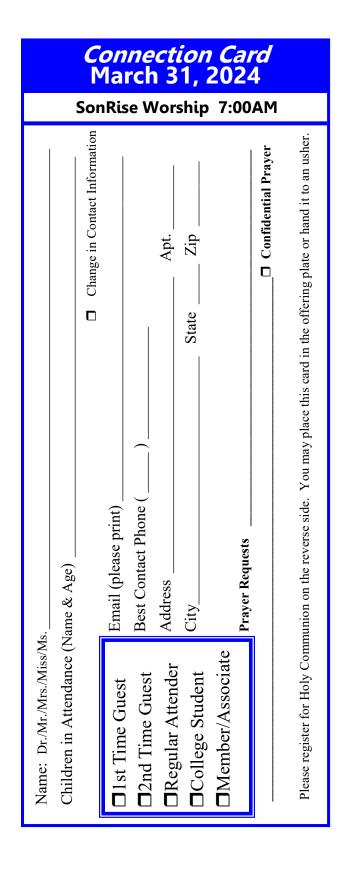
#### Sun., March 31—Sun., April 7, 2024

| Sunday, March 31         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | in East Parking Lot<br>Parish Hall<br>various classrooms           |
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| Monday, <b>April 1</b>   | Church Office Closed<br>6:30 p.m LWML Bible Study<br>7:00 p.m Men's Bible Study & Fellowship                                                                                                                                                                         | Parish Hall<br>Room 242                                            |
| Tuesday, April 2         | <ul> <li>*10:00 a.m Ladies Bible Study</li> <li>11:00 a.m Banner Group</li> <li>5:30 p.m Advent by Candlelight Planning</li> <li>6:00 p.m Bd of Witness/Outreach</li> </ul>                                                                                          | Room 232<br>Room 240<br>Parlor<br>Room 105                         |
| Wednesday, April         | <b>3</b> NO Meal or FFW this week<br>6:00 p.m Bd of Stewardship                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Room 105                                                           |
| Thursday, April 4        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                    |
| Friday, April 5          | 6:30 a.m Men's Bible Study/Breakfast                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Room 232                                                           |
| Saturday, <b>April 6</b> | Second Saturday of Easter with the Lord's Supper<br>4:00 p.m Divine Worship (Traditional)<br>5:00 p.m Adult Bible Class                                                                                                                                              | Sanctuary<br>Sanctuary                                             |
| Sunday, <b>April 7</b>   | Second Sunday of Easter with the Lord's Supper<br>*8:30 a.m Divine Service (Traditional)<br>*10:00 a.m Children's SS and Adult Bible Classes<br>*11:15 a.m Divine Service (Contemporary)<br>*12:00 p.m Funeral Planning Luncheon<br>4:00 p.m Living with Grief Class | Sanctuary<br>Various Rooms<br>Sanctuary<br>Parish Hall<br>Room 240 |

Child Care Available in the Nursery

"The disciples and the first century Christians may have felt like they were on the losing side. They had their doubts and fears. Maybe you do, too. They may have lost some earthly things. You may, too. But Jesus takes away the fear and the doubt. You have hope in His resurrection. You have hope even through the trials of life. You have a living hope in your living Lord." *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota* **This Life Quote is from Lutherans For Life—www.lutheransforlife.org.** Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. www.word-of-hope.org; 888.217.8679.

| Who S<br>Pastors                  | We Thank Those<br>Serve Us This Morning<br>Rev. Randall Bard                         | at this time. We encourage you to contact one of our Pastors to learn more about our<br>beliefs/doctrine, especially to discuss the possibility of communing in the future.<br>*To receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. | Christian friend, if you do not agree to or understand what we mean by these statements, we would welcome you to come forward during communion to receive a blessing/praver* from the Pastor, but we ask that you do not partake of Communion |                                                          | I believe that God sent His Son, Jesus as my Savior from sin, Satan and death and<br>that He is Lord of my life. I repent of my sins and ask God's forgiveness for Jesus'<br>sake. I believe the Risen Christ is truly and physically present in the Sacrament and<br>that with the bread and wine all communicants receive Christ's true Body and Blood<br>I resolve to dedicate myself anew to my Lord through His Church, by regular<br>worship, study of His Word, faithful witness, and loving service. |
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| rastors                           | Rev. Tim Eden                                                                        | e. W<br>ctrir<br>/e a                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | frier<br>s, w                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                          | hat<br>Lor<br>lieve<br>he l<br>he l<br>tudy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Keyboardist                       | Tetsuya Sugita                                                                       | courag<br>pecial<br>sing, si                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | you de<br>uld we<br>om the                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | S                                                        | sent H<br>my life<br>Risen<br>and w<br>te myss<br>His Wo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| chased a lily.<br>the end of eith | ink you to everyone who pur-<br>You may take your lily home at<br>ier service today. | <ul> <li>Clude</li> <li>Reading my Bible Daily.</li> <li>Praying for all those on our Chu</li> <li>Attending a weekly Bible Study.</li> </ul>                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul> <li>Prayer Chain</li> <li>Children/Youth</li> </ul> | Baptis<br>Baptis<br>What<br>Assoc<br>SEND ME INF<br>MINISTRY OP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| will start back                   | on April 10 <sup>°°</sup> .                                                          | Jesus (<br>ble Daily,<br>those on c<br>ekly Bibli                                                                                                                                                                                              | ;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                          | nerar<br>Men<br>BC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Vacation Bibl<br>– Thursday Jur   | e School will be Sunday June 16 <sup>th</sup> ne 20 <sup>th</sup>                    | ble Daily.<br>those on our Church prayer list.<br>ekly Bible Study.                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                          | Baptism<br>What Lutherans Believe<br>Membership at Bethel<br>Associate Membership<br>INFO ABOUT<br>Y OPPORTUNITIES FOR:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Youth Mission                     | <b>n trip</b> will be June 29 <sup>th</sup> – July 6 <sup>th</sup> .                 | urch<br>Y.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | ors                                                      | JE S                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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