

# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, March 31, 2024**  
**Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** "Were You There"

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** "Classical Easter"

GosBELLS

**GOSPEL READING: Mark 16:1-8**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**OPENING HYMN:** "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

**ELW 365**

- 1) Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!*
- 2) Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ our heav'nly king, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*
- 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 you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

Leader: Christ is Risen!

**All: He is Risen indeed!**

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**GATHERING DIALOGUE** based on Psalm 118

L (Leader); C (Congregation)

L: The Lord is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

**C: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

L: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

**C: Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**

L: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

**C: By the Lord this has been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

L: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

**C: Hosanna! O Lord, save us! We pray to you, Lord, prosper our days!**

L: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord;  
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

**C: You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God  
and I will exalt you.**

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is God; God's mercy endures forever.

**C: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

L: Christ is Risen!

**C: He is Risen indeed!**

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** "Lift High the Cross"

**ELW 660**

**Refrain:** *Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world  
adore his sacred name.*

1) *Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious,  
Christ, the Son of God. (Refrain)*

2) *All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the  
seal of him who died. (Refrain)*

3) *O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised,  
draw us all to thee. (Refrain)*

4) *So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory!  
(Refrain)*

## GREETING

L: 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

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C: He is risen indeed! Receive our unending love and devotion as we celebrate today the undeserved gift of your love. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** "Hallelujah Medley"

OSLC CHOIR

**SONG for the WORD:** "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

ELW 367 V. 1

*Now all the vault of heav'n resounds, in praise of love that still abounds:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels loud and clear!  
Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

L: Christ is Risen!

**C: He is Risen indeed!**

## MESSAGE

**SONG OF THE DAY:** "Good, Good Father"

THE FIRE

*Oh, I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like.  
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night.  
And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone.*

**Refrain:** *You're a good, good Father. It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are, and I'm loved by You. It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.*

*Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide.*

*But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide.*

*'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word. (Refrain)*

*Because You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways.  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us. (Repeat)*

*Oh, it's love so undeniable, I, I can hardly speak. Peace so unexplainable, I, I can hardly think. As you call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still into love, love, love. (Refrain 2X)*

## NICENE CREED *ELW p. 104*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Let All Things Now Living" ELW 881 V. 1  
*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who still guides us on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.*

## PRAYERS

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... and join their unending hymn: (#413 vs 1-2)

**C: *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!***

***Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.***

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE 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.

**HOLY COMMUNION** *All are Welcome at the Lord's Table. Note that all the communion wine is alcohol-free and the communion bread is gluten-free.*

**DISTRIBUTION SONGS:** "Jesus", "Jesus Messiah", "Because He Lives", "Who Am I?"

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**SENDING HYMN:** "Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!"

**ELW 380**

*1) Hallelujah! Jesus lives! He is now the Living One; from the gloomy halls of death Christ, the conqueror, has gone, bright forerunner to the skies of his people, yet to rise.*

*2) Jesus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mournful sigh? Christ who died our brother here lives our brother still on high, lives forever to bestow blessings on his church below.*

*3) Jesus lives! And thus, my soul, life eternal waits for you; joined to Christ, your living head, where he is, you shall be too; with the Lord, at God's right hand, as a victor you shall stand.*

*4) Jesus lives! Let all rejoice. Praise him, ransomed of the earth. Praise him in a nobler song, cherubim of heav'nly birth. Praise the victor king whose sway sin and death and hell obey.*

*5) Hallelujah! Angels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise. Let your chorus swell the strain which our feebler voices raise: Glory to our God above and on earth his peace and love!*

### BLESSING / THREE BELLS

#### DISMISSAL

L: Christ is Risen! Go in peace!

**C: Helping people experience the Love of God.**

#### POSTLUDE

# *O Lord, Hear Our Prayers*

## **Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...**

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Jack Hansen, Randy Lemm, Jace Stallman

## **God's Healing Presence for...**

Sandra Mustad	Sandy Daniel (Pastor Joe's aunt)
Kenna Kappes	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Arlene Eisenbeis	Tom Wait (friend of Jon Bertsch)
Peggy Gilbertson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger	Jane Olson (Brittany Thompson's mom)
Sonja Diehl	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Karen Paulson	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Monica Webster	Donald Peppas (Gabriel's grandpa)
Tammy Carver	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
Liz Hanson	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Becky Foss	Grayson Nelson (Dontray and Grace's son)
Susie Anderson	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Charlie Anderson	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
	Gerhard (Veronika Pawlikowski's step dad)
	John (Veronika Pawlikowski's dad)
	Tiffany Olsen (Erin Thompson's sister)
	Lane Neuschwander (infant nephew of Kari & Jeff Bjorge)

**Safety for those serving in the Military...** especially those serving in combat areas:

**Our Sympathy to...** Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

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**ORGANIST:** Karen Alfson

**EDUCATION MINISTER:** Amanda Johnson

**VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron

**HEAD USHERS:** (7:30) Wayne Koering (9:30) Bob and Maggie Wilson family

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

A **COUNTRY CONCERT** will be held next **Sunday, April 7 at 6:30pm** here at Our Savior's Church. All are invited for a fun night of Music, Snacks, and Community! Free-will offering to benefit the OSLC Youth Summer Trip.

**PIANO PLAYERS** are needed for **Saturday, April 13** at the Hillsboro Care Center from 10:15-11:15am. (You do not need to stay for the whole hour.) Perform 1 or 2 songs on our Baby Grand Piano for our residents! Whether you are Beginner-Advanced or Child-Adult, reserve your spot by calling Susi at 701-636-3232.

## **WOMEN of the ELCA SPRING ROUNDUP - Saturday, APRIL 20, 2024**

Held at Riverbend Farm ([www.riverbendfarm.com](http://www.riverbendfarm.com)), 3716 117<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Valley City, ND from 10:00am-3:00pm on April 20th. WELCA is encouraging women of all ages to attend this free, fun, and inspirational event. There will be free childcare, free food, music (Triplicity Trio), vendors, and quilting fun/demonstrations.

**Contact Cheryle Messner** at 636-4616 **to sign-up and carpool** from Our Savior's. (or Call or Text Joan Huso at 701.371.0303 or email her at [jbhuso@hotmail.com](mailto:jbhuso@hotmail.com) with number of people coming, childcare and dietary needs if attending on own.)

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** presented by the Halstad Lions Club at the LRC (South Halstad) on **Saturday, April 6 from 7:30-10:00am**. Free-will donation. Proceeds going to Veterans Honor Flight of ND/MN.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

### **Sunday, March 31**

7:30am Easter Sunrise Service  
9:30am Easter Worship Service

### **Monday, April 1**

9:00am **NO** W.O.W. Bible Study  
6:30pm Choir practice  
7:30pm GosBELLS practice

### **Tuesday, April 2**

7:00am Text Bible Study (Subway)

### **Wednesday, April 3**

7:00am Men's Bible Study (Subway)  
5:30pm Meal  
6:00pm Confirmation  
6:30pm Youth Group

### **Thursday, April 4**

9:00am WELCA Exec. meet  
10:00am WELCA Meeting  
10:45am Worship Service at Care Center  
2:00pm Kiwanis Bldgs communion  
**6:00pm Council Meeting**

### **Sunday, April 7 (Communion Sunday)**

Hillsboro Food Pantry donations  
8:30am Traditional Worship  
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
9:30am Sunday school  
10:30am Contemporary Worship  
**6:30pm Country Concert**  
7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

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