

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Second Sunday of Easter



WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning
the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!
Everybody Is Somebody Here

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

“Praise to the Lord”

ELW #844

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

L: In the light of the Resurrection, with humility we confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Risen Lord,

C: We long to live into the power of your resurrection promises, but we are slow to let go of all that keeps us in the grip of death: anger, regret, envy, stubbornness, self-righteousness, exclusion, fear, and despair. Forgive us, work in our hearts, and show us the joy which comes in believing your word of life.

L: People of God, hear the good news: Christ is arisen, and with him so are we! Receive and trust the word that in the name of Jesus Christ + you are forgiven.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”

ELW #857 (2x)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Resurrected Lord,

C: Your disciples were joyful when you returned to them that Easter day. May we—who have not seen, heard, and felt as they have—also know that same joy through the power of your Spirit. Amen.

CHILDREN’S TIME

READING:**Psalm 133**

- ¹ How very good and pleasant it is
when kindred live together in unity!
- ² It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down upon the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down over the collar of his robes.
- ³ It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion.
For there the Lord ordained his blessing,
life for evermore.

L: The Word of our Lord C: Thanks Be to God

All young and young at
heart are invited forward
during the Children's
time.

THE WORD

God speaks to us through
scripture reading,
preaching, and song.

**GOSPEL READING:****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 Jews, 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.

L: The Good News of our Lord C: Thanks Be to God

MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Mandsager

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

ELW #631

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.

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PEACE

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OFFERING

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

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.**

THE MEAL
God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



Serving Today

Pastor

Mike Mandsager

Musician

Mary Wescott

Sound and Video

Jeremy Mann

*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.

BLESSING

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENDING HYMN

“I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”

ELW #860

SENDING

POSTLUDE

SPECIAL THANKS

to

Pastor Mike Mandsager

for leading us in worship today!

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