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**14344 Jamison Way, (941) 249-5108**



**WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN!** Thank you for joining us as we worship of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, **please place your cell phones on mute** for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

**THE MEANING OF THE TWO PICTURES IN THE BULLETIN:** The two pictures at the top of the bulletin are the church's logo and the LCMC logo. The church's logo is the descent of the Holy Spirit into 'Our Savior' at the time of His Baptism.

**We Serve Today:**

Reader: *Pr. Steve Dygert*

Offering: *Ron Tessmer, Bob Wilgus*

Communion: *Peggie Sue Dygert, Beverly Cisco*

Greeter: *Cheri Usowicz*

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD – The Celebration of our Risen Savior**

**GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME:** *Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements*

**EASTER HYMN:** 151 Jesus Christ is Risen Today!0

**CONFESSIONAL PRAYER** - *congregational responses in BOLD*

Pastor: Lord, we approach your altar with with love for You and our concern for the price you paid for us on the cross. We realize the difficulties that we face, and we confess the poor job we have done with our response to your sacrifice. For that, dear Lord, we make our confession to you this day.

*1 John 1:8-9*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things 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**

**ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus on His cross, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by the authority of Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we pray. **Alleluia and Amen.**

**ENTRANCE HYMN: 143 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY** (Unison):

**O God, for our redemption you have given your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection you have**

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**delivered us from the power of our enemy. Therefore grant that all ofr sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day a new man may arise to live before you in righteousness and purity forever, Alleluia.**

**May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Alleluia and Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9 (ESV)**

**6** On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,  
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

**7** And he will swallow up on this mountain  
the covering that is cast over all peoples,  
the veil that is spread over all nations.

**8** He will swallow up death forever;  
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,  
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

**9** It will be said on that day,

**“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.**

**This is the LORD; we have waited for him;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”**

**PSALM: 118:1-2,14-24** (recited whole verse by whole verse, Congregation in **BOLD**)

**1 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

**2** Let Israel say,  
“His steadfast love endures forever.”

**14 The LORD is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.**

**15** Glad songs of salvation  
are in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,

**16 the right hand of the LORD exalts,  
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!”**

**17** I shall not die, but I shall live,  
and recount the deeds of the LORD.

**18 The LORD has disciplined me severely,  
but he has not given me over to death.**

**19** Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them

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and give thanks to the LORD.

**20 This is the gate of the LORD;  
the righteous shall enter through it.**

**21** I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

**22 The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.**

**23** This is the LORD's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

**24 This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it  
was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end.**

**Amen**

**EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (ESV)**

**15** Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you,  
which you received, in which you stand, **2** and by which you are being saved, if  
you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

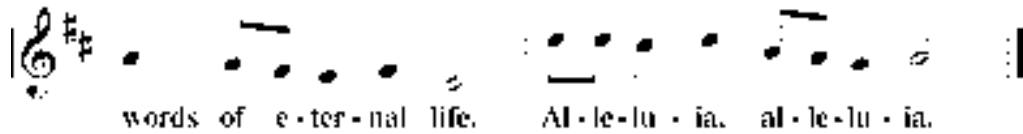
**3** For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that  
Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, **4** that he was buried,  
that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, **5** and  
that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. **6** Then he appeared to more  
than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though  
some have fallen asleep. **7** Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

**8** Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. **9** For I am  
the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted  
the church of God. **10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his  
grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than  
any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with  
me. 11** Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

*Please rise for the singing of the Alleluia. John 6:6-8*

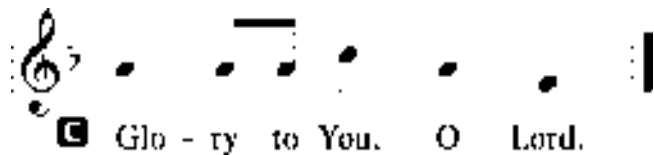
Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

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**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8 (ESV)**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

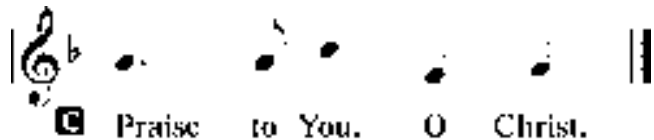


**16** When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. **2** And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. **3** And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?"

**4** And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. **5** And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. **6** And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. **7** But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."

**8** And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.



**SERMON 'The Easter Rite of Holy Baptism – Indeed!?' - Pr. Steve Dygert +STS**

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 1:2*

**C: Amen**

**SERMON HYMN:** 474 Children of the Heav'nly Father

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**RITE OF FRIENDSHIP:**

P. The Peace of the Lord Be With You Always.

**C. And Also With You.**

P. Please share the peace of the Lord with those around you.

*During Covid, share the peace by remaining in your chairs and waving at those around you.*

P. We now have the opportunity to share back with the Lord a little of the bounty He has shared with us.

*9Psalm 51:10-12*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart. O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Hu - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

**THE OFFERING: Offertory - Because He Lives – Dean Carson**

*As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology.*

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G D Em Bm Em D G  
Praise God, from Whom all bless - ings flow; praise

4 G D Em C G D Em  
Him all crea - tures here be - low; praise

7 D/F# G D G/B C D/A G D/F#  
Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise

10 G A/E D Am G/D D' G  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you. *2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 4:22*

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. *Colossians 3:1*

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Psalms 136*

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise**

**PROPER PREFACE FOR LENT:**

P: It is indeed good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Who through the Spirit that brought life where there was only death and emptied the tomb so the world would have the hope of eternal life and so with those who witnessed our resurrected Lord, those who pray for him to come again,

Therefore with angels and arch angel and all the hosts of Heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

**SANCTUS:**

1 Holy, Holy, Holy vs 1, *Revelation 4:8*

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**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**

**PRAYERS OF PRAISE:** Let us Pray: *(Prayer Response)* Lord in your Mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

**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.**  
**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**  
**forever and forever. Amen**

**PREPARATION OF THE TABLE:**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION:** *Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:23-25*

On the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ, took bread, and after giving thanks, He broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said; "Take and eat; this is My body, given for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same manner, after supper He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me."

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. *1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:26*

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:**

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

**THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING**

**SENDING HYMN:** 145 Thine Is the Glory

**THE AARONIC BENEDICTION: LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH:**

**Let there be peace on earth**  
**And let it begin with me**  
**Let there be peace on earth**  
**The peace that was meant to be**  
**With God as our father**  
**Brothers all are we**  
**Let me walk with my brother**  
**In perfect harmony**

**Let peace begin with me**  
**Let this be the moment now**  
**With every step I take**  
**Let this be my solemn vow**  
**To take each moment**  
**And live each moment**  
**In peace eternally**  
**Let there be peace on earth**  
**And let it begin with me**

**THE DISMISSAL**

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. **Thanks be to God**

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