

Easter Sunday 7:45 am & 11 am Tradítíonal Worshíp **March 31, 2024**

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Our Mission Statement Make disciples, Serve selflessly, and Live faithfully



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands. **GATHERING** The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Because He Lives

W. & G. Gaither / arr. Keveren

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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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. 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.

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 an 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.

GATHERING SONG

ELW 365 (7:45 VS. 1,4)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

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

A Let us pray.

C O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

7:45 CONTINUES WITH THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ON P. 5

SPECIAL MUSIC - ANTHEM

Rejoice, He Is Alive! Chancel Choir Robert Powers, trumpet J.A. Shafferman/arr. Drennan

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Reader A reading from Acts.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Reader A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

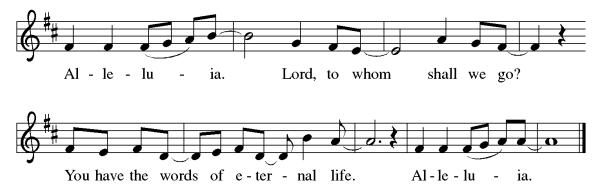
³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been 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. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



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GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

- P The holy gospel according to Mark.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But 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. ⁷But 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." ⁸So 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.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

7:45	Seeing Is Believing
11:00	I Have Seen the Lord

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Day of Resurrection!



Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

CREED

- A Let us confess our faith with the words of the 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

- A Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.

A Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. We pray *especially* for Josh, Theo, Chris and Roger; for John, Kathy, Carol, and Meri; for Alexa, Deb, Tracy B. and Ben; for Bradley, Bill and Pauline; for the Craig Yarbourgh family; for the families of Marlene Saum and Cleo Neynaber; and for those on our long-term prayer list; and those most dear to us whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause)..., Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- A Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C Amen.

PEACE

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

P Let us give thanks to God for our many blessings as we offer our monetary gifts for the mission and ministry of this community of faith. For those who are online, you can offer your financial support for our mission and ministries by going to our website livinglordfl.org and clicking on the give button at the top of the home page.

OFFERING MUSIC

(11:00 ONLY) Samuel Medley/arr. Evelyn Larter

My Redeemer Lives! Carole Fetterman, soprano

OFFERING SONG

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Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

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GREAT THANKSGIVING

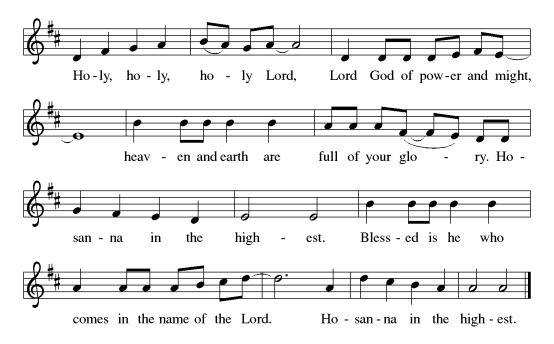
DIALOGUE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us sing as Jesus taught us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER



COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

P Holy Communion here is just this simple: All are welcome because this is the Lord's table. It is Jesus who invites us to share in this meal. So, it doesn't matter who you are or how you are but that you simply come because God's gifts are... **C Free**

COMMUNION

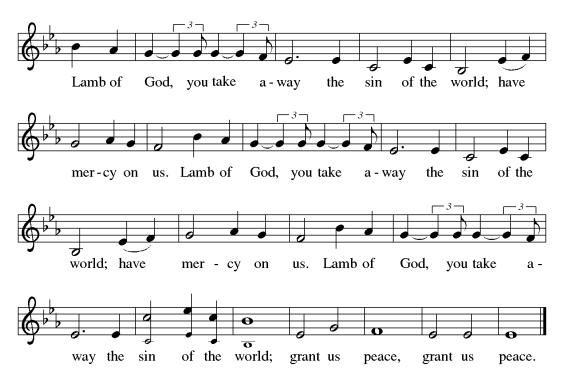
P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

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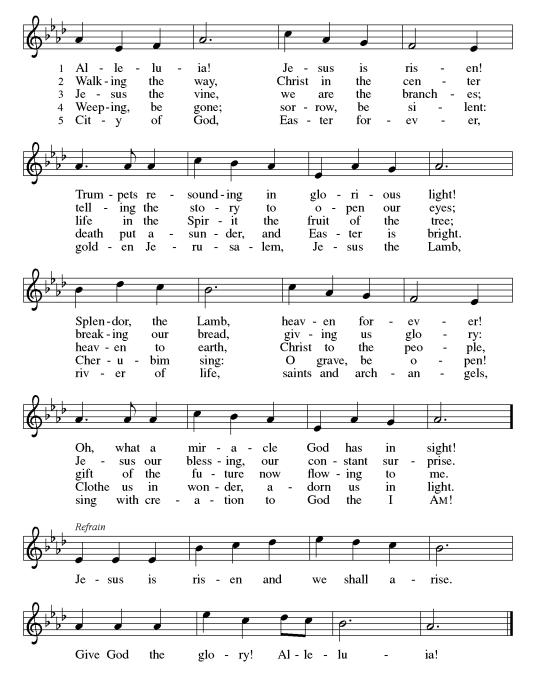
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COMMUNION HYMN 1

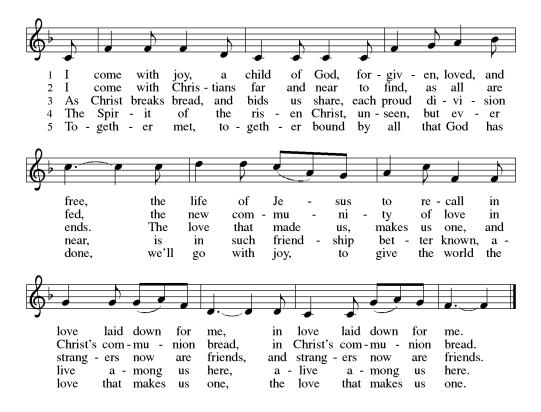
Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926 Music: David N. Johnson, 1922–1987 Text © 1955 Augsburg Fortress. Music © 1969 Contemporary Worship 1, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

COMMUNION HYMN 2

I Come with Joy



Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835 Text © 1971, rev. 1995 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

COMMUNION HYMN 3

Thine Is the Glory



Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939 Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and forevermore.

C Amen

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

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P Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick and homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

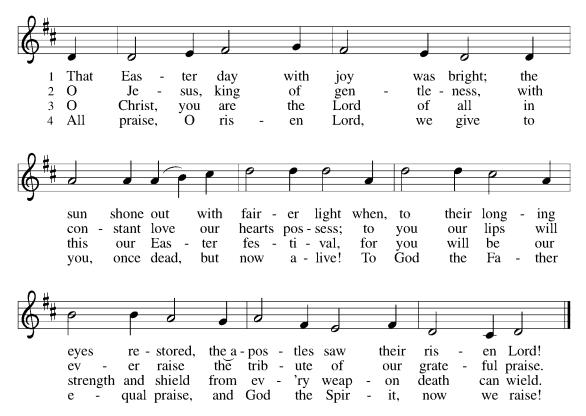
The Lord's face shine on you with all grace and all mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor + and give you peace.

C Amen

SENDING SONG

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That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621 DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Victory In Jesus

E.M. Bartlett

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The Altar Flowers are given by Earl and Donna Viney. Our Lord and Savior – He has risen!

The Eternal Candle for the month of March is given by Sandy Coffman, "honoring my love, Bud Coffman".

Altar Flowers The Altar Guild Karen Symos and Nancy Taylor

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION All who have faith in the words, "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin" is really worthy and well prepared to receive this sacrament. Communion is by individual cup (wine or white grape juice and gluten free wafers are available). Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

The **Sunday bulletin** focuses on the what, when, and where of announcements and ministry opportunities for the upcoming week. Detailed information is available on our **Facebook** page, in the **Link**, which is published weekly, and in the **Voice**, our monthly newsletter, and on our **website** – <u>www.livinglordfl.org</u>. Extra copies of the **VOICE** are available in the Narthex in the mail bins on the south wall.

Financial Support Thank you for your continued support for our ministry and mission. Offerings can be mailed to the church.

Attendance Pads Please fill out the attendance register and pass it down the aisle and let us know you were here. Add your name and if you are communing place a "C" in the member or visitor column. Otherwise, simply place a checkmark ($\sqrt{}$) in that column. This is a change to satisfy our constitutional requirement to maintain a record of those who have communed. Thank you for helping us with this detail.

Covid-19 Guidelines Update:

The Worship Team's current guidelines include:

- The wearing of masks is optional. Each individual should choose what is right for them.
- The use of the common cup during communion distribution is suspended until further notice.

Fully participate in the mission and ministries here at Living Lord by helping: **Live Stream, Sound system**, **Celebration of Life, Life Group Coordinator.** Contact the office if interested.

Our deepest sympathies to John and the Saum family on the passing of our dear friend, Marlene. A memorial service will be held at Living Lord on Saturday April 20th at 10:30am.

SCRIP after each service. An ongoing fundraiser designated towards the purchase of an electronic sign. You can purchase gift cards at our table. Orders are placed every week for pick-up the following week.

NO SCRIP TABLE TODAY. Will resume next week.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS 10:05-10:50 am Teacher is Roger Raddatz. Class meets in the Activities Hall.

MONDAY "FAITH TALKS" Mondays, **10am-11:30** Join us. A newsworthy topic from *The Wired Word* curriculum will be the weekly focus of our adult education discussion. Bring your Bible.

DIRECTOR OF JUBELLATION HANDBELL CHOIR NEEDED This is a paid part-time position with practice one evening a week and performance in the Sunday service 1-2 times a month. If interested, please contact the office at (941)-753-9365. www.livinglordf.org.

EASTER HYDRANGEAS You may take home or pick up your purchased hydrangea after the 11am service on Easter Sunday.

OUR DAILY BREAD FOOD DRIVE Cash donations are also appreciated and can be placed in the offering plate. Please label your donation for Our Daily Bread. Thanks for your continued support of this ministry. With gratitude, Outreach Team. Contact: Sue Copeland or Mary Torke. <u>A STITCH AND A PRAYER,</u> the handicrafts group will be having a spring raffle of handmade items April 14th. Tickets of 5 for \$20 or \$5 each will be sold April 7 and 14 between services with the drawing at noon on April 14th. Proceeds will go towards a new Living Lord sign. Thank you for your support!

LUNCH BUNCH INVITATION On April 11, 2024 you are invited to have lunch at 11:30 at Station 400 located at 8215 Main Street behind the Starbucks. This luncheon is open to ALL who wish to attend. Please sign up on the Invitation sheet located in the Narthex. Any questions, please contact Diana Cubberly 941-773-3517.

DAY CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Our annual Day Camp will be held from **June 10th -14th** right here at Living Lord. We have already secured Luther Springs Counselors to run the programming, but we need a chairperson to coordinate the event and volunteers to help with meals, crafts, registration, nursing, and security. Please contact the office if you can help. Day Camp Registration begins in April.



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Easter Flower Dedications



James Beckman in honor of Patricia Beckman

Vídra Bernard in memory of Richard "Dick" Bernard

Díane Buechner in memory of my husband, Bob Buechner

Annette Coats in memory of Laurie Geiser

Sandy Coffman in memory of Leila Rechcygl

Arlene Conaghan

Jimmy and Susan Copeland in honor of our daughter, Sami and in memory of our parents Joyce Dous in memory of my brother, John Perseo The Dowling family in memory of our sweet Benjamin Karen Hansing in honor of my new great grandson Herb and Mary Hunter in honor of family Karen Kitchie in memory of my brother, Howard Patty Kunkel in memory of our dear friend, Marlene Saum Ruth and Bill McConnell in memory of Bill Heerman Bill and Marty Mork in memory of our sister, Harriet Foucher

Janice Pinsonneault in memory of our parents

Lynn Pope in memory of Derek VanDuyn, Don and Gladys Walden, Frank and Jeanne Pope and Ralph Woodworth, Jr.

The Powers Family in memory of Matthew Ryan Powers

Lou and Karen Symos in memory of Ruth and Paul Kofoed and John and Evangeline Asemokopolos

> Mike and Madelyn Tetmeyer in memory of our parents and brothers

Barbara VanBuren in memory of loved ones

Janice Zipp in memory of Richard Zipp

Flowers may be taken home after the 11:00 service on Sunday or picked up during office hours the following week.