

*Hallelujah,
He is Risen!*

Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

ROMANS 6:4



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Proclaiming Christ's Word through Truth, Innovation & Fellowship.

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As We Gather...

*Good morning and welcome to **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church!** It's our honor and privilege to worship Our Good Shepherd & Risen Lord with you this morning! Please make yourself at home, as always, you are among family!*

On Easter morning, we hear the resurrection through the voices of those who witnessed it—the angels who stood at the empty tomb. What looked like the end on Good Friday is revealed as the beginning of something entirely new. Jesus did not escape death—He entered it and walked out again, just as He promised. The stone is rolled away not for Him, but for us, so we can see and believe. The Light that seemed to go out has returned—unbroken and victorious. And because Christ is risen, death no longer has the final word. His life is now given to you.

Service Notes...

In preparation for worship: Please take some time to greet the people you are worshipping with! The order of worship for today is printed for you below, you may want to take a few minutes to look it over as you prepare to receive the gifts of God and **boldly** sing His praises. **Reminder:** If you have a smart phone, and you're on Facebook, please "check in" at *Good Shepherd* Lutheran Church...then turn the sound off! May our Good and Gracious Shepherd bless your worship this day...this NEW day of salvation!

To Stand or Sit: There are certain parts of the service where you will be invited to stand. Sometimes, "wrestling" with kids, or a personal health condition makes standing uncomfortable... please know: **It is okay to either stand or sit. Both are appropriate!** So please, make yourself comfortable, receive the gifts God loves to give and **BOLDLY** sing His praises!

Children: We are blessed to have a lot of young families and young children here at *Good Shepherd*. We take Jesus' words very seriously when He says, "Let the little children come to me..." We also know how difficult it can be to keep children sitting quietly for any period of time, much less an hour long church service! For your convenience, "Quiet Bags" have been provided for young worshippers. They are located in the narthex to your right (on the "Noah's Ark" wall mounting, next to the big bulletin board) when exiting the sanctuary. Also, for your convenience, a "Quiet Room" is located at the back of the sanctuary for use during those "difficult" times. Also, please keep in mind that everyone here loves to have the children here and will help you in any way they can! ***Please note:*** *We may have a children's message which could be recorded via Facebook live. If you have any issues with your child being seen at church on the World Wide Web just listen from the pew!*

Guests, Visitors & The Offering: If you are our guest today, you are **not** expected to contribute monetarily to God's work at *Good Shepherd* ... you are our guest! Please take this service as our gift to you! But please do take a minute to check in at one of our kiosks in the atrium and sign the guestbook so we can thank you for your visit...and come soon to see us again! If you choose to give an offering, know this: **The gifts we give back to God are used by His church to transform lives.** (*The offering plate is located at the sanctuary entrance*).

The Lord's Supper: *Good Shepherd* joyfully celebrates the Lord's Supper, and we do that in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*. **Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes** *Matthew 5:23; 18:15-35*. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm *1 Corinthians 11:27-29* and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession *Matthew 10:32* differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to

receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. Because Scripture says we ought to “examine ourselves” before receiving the Holy Meal *1 Corinthians 11:28*, it is recommended that we review the “*Christian Questions with Their Answers*” section of the *LSB* before communion (**page 329 of the *LSB***), please take a few moments before the service or during the offering to do so. Thank you! **Please note: There are two or three cups at the center of each tray that are non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer such for personal or medical reasons (The wine containing alcohol is white, the non-alcohol is red/pink).**

Pre-Service Meditation...

*Please check out some of the pre-service prayers in the front of the *LSB* and/or meditate on one or more of the Psalms printed in the *LSB* (specifically **Psalm 16** today)...or just spend some time quietly in prayer before we begin!*

Pre-Service Prayer...

*Risen and victorious Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, Lord and our God, to You be all glory today and forever. For us, You suffered and died, and for us, You have risen from the dead and given us the victory of new life. Live in us now and show forth Your resurrection victory through our words and actions. When we fall, may Your resurrection victory lift us up again in faith. Amen. (From *Portals of Prayer*)*

Prefude(s)...

(6:30 am) Organ: “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

(8:30 & 10:30) Trombone: “O Day of Resurrection”

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“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

(Solo)

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

(Please stand and sing...)

*Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?
Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?
Oh, Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?*

The Invocation & Easter Acclamation

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

Matthew 28:19b; [18-20]

All: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: You have made known to me the path of life;

All: You will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand. *Psalm 16:11*

Pastor: Christ has been raised from the dead,

All: the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. *1 Corinthians 15:20*

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We Confess Our Sins [1 John 1:8-9]

Pastor: For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.

All: For as in Adam all die, so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:21-22

Pastor: In repentant faith, we come before our Lord to confess our sin.

(Silence for reflection)

Pastor: Almighty God,

All: we confess to You that we are sinful by nature. We have lived out our sinful nature by thinking selfish thoughts, saying hurtful words, and doing unloving actions. We pray, bring us from the death of our sin back to life. Forgive us for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

We Hear God's Forgiveness [John 20:19-23]

Pastor: The last enemy to be destroyed is death, and Jesus has won the victory over sin, death, and the devil, and through Him, your sins are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen. Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

We Sing: "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (LSB pg. 457)

*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!*

*Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'n-ly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*

(8:30 & 10:30-Choir/Solo)...

*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!*

*Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'n-ly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Alleluia!*

We Pray

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, on the cross Your Son finished the sacrifice to pay for all our sins.

All: We remember Your promises; we give thanks for His sacrifice; we pray that Your Holy Spirit will enliven us to live as Your forgiven children here in time and forever in eternity;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

+ *We Hear God's Word* +

Isaiah 65:17-25 (New Heavens and a New Earth)

“See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. ¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. ¹⁹ I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more. ²⁰ “Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; the one who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere child; the one who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed. ²¹ They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²² No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³ They will not labor in vain, nor will they bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the LORD, they and their descendants with them. ²⁴ Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent’s food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,” says the LORD... This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (Christ has been raised from the dead . . .)

If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²² For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³ But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴ Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death... This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: Christ has risen from the dead. *Matthew 28:7*

[God the Father] has crowned Him with glory and honor, *Hebrews 2:7*

**All: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;
He has put all things under His feet.** *Psalms 8:6*

Pastor: Alleluia! [Christ Jesus] abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel. *2 Timothy 1:10* Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

(8:30 am) *The Good Shepherd Bell Choir Plays:*
“Jesus Shall Reign”

(10:30 am) *The Good Shepherd Choir Sings:*
“Resurrection Victory” -Lloyd Larson

*He is risen! Christ is risen! Sing it out with joyful voice!
He has burst the three days’ prison, let the whole wide earth rejoice!
Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen! Christ is risen! He shall reign for all eternity.*

*He is risen! Christ is risen! Risen to a holy state!
We are free from sin’s dark prison, He has opened heaven’s gate.
Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen! Christ is risen! He shall reign for all eternity!*

*Crown Him the Lord of life, Lord of life, who triumphed o’er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing of Him who died and rose on high,
He died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die!*

*He is risen! Christ is risen! Sing it out with joyful voice!
He has burst the three day’s prison, let the whole wide earth rejoice!
Death is conquered we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen, alleluia!*

Luke 24:1-12 (The Resurrection)

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

All: Glory to You, O Lord!

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ ” ⁸Then they remembered his words. ⁹When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven

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and to all the others. ¹⁰It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹²Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened... This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ!

We Profess Our Christian Faith [Romans 10:9] *With the words of the Apostles' Creed*

All: 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.

Christian: the ancient text reads "catholic," meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian teaching.

We Sing: "He's Risen, He's Risen" (LSB pg. 480)

*He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
He opened death's prison, the incarnate, true word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.*

(8:30 & 10:30 Adult Choir Sings)

*The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.*

*But Short was their triumph; the Savior arose,
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.*

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*O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.*

*Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.*

The Message: "We Were There"

(Note: Our Lenten midweek meditations this year and our Lenten devotions have been hearing the story of Jesus' Passion and all that happened from the perspective of an angel. This morning's meditation is the last installment of that series. So, listen once more to the angel describe what happened that Sunday morning . . .)

(Sermon Application...)

What did God teach you in His Law today (*What you should do, or have failed to do for God*)?

What did God teach you in His Gospel today (*What God has done for you through Christ*)?

What is the main thing you're taking home from this message today?

Have a comment or question about today's message? Have any questions about any of this Jesus/Christian stuff? Text the Pastor at 763-913-8445 or email him at pastor@oshkoshgoodshepherd.org. If you'd like to hear this message again, or share it with a friend, it posts on our Facebook page and/or Website by 10 am on Monday...



The Prayer of the Church [1 Timothy 2:1-4]...

Pastor: Before they call I will answer;

All: while they are yet speaking I will hear. *Isaiah 65:24* (Continued...)

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, hear us.

All: O Christ, graciously hear us.

Pastor: Jesus, our Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world;

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who by Your death destroyed death and by Your rising to life again restored to us everlasting life:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who rose very early in the morning on the first day of the week:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who appeared to Mary Magdalene:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who showed Yourself to the women and was worshiped by them:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who appeared to the Eleven, saying, "Peace be to you":

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who breathed on Your apostles that they might receive the Holy Spirit:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who confirmed the faith of Thomas by bidding him to touch Your hands and Your side:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who showed Yourself again to Your disciples at the Sea of Tiberias:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who conversed with Your disciples on a mountain in Galilee:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who spoke to Your apostles of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Jesus, who commissioned Your apostles to make disciples of all nations, to baptize and absolve, to celebrate Holy Communion, and to preach the Gospel to every creature:

All: have mercy upon us.

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Pastor: By Your glorious resurrection; by Your victory over death; by the glorious majesty of Your risen body:

All: good Lord, deliver us.

Pastor: We sinners do entreat You:

All: to hear us, O Lord Jesus.

Pastor: That we may walk in love, even as You walked in love; that we may set our hearts on things above, not on earthly things; that we may live with You forever in the new heaven and earth, in the Holy City, the New Jerusalem:

All: grant us, good Lord.

Pastor: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

All: have mercy upon us.

Pastor: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

All: grant us Your peace.

Pastor: O Jesus, hear us.

All: Jesus, graciously hear us.

Pastor: O God, You make us glad by the yearly festival of the Resurrection. Mercifully grant that we who do now celebrate these joyous holy days on earth may hereafter receive the eternal joys in heaven; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Invitation to the Meal

Pastor: The LORD is our strength and our song;

All: He has become our salvation. *Exodus 15:2, adapted*

Pastor: It is truly good, right and proper everywhere and always to give thanks to You, loving Father, holy and almighty Lord, eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, but the central and chief reason we have to praise You is the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Passover Lamb, given for us, who has taken away the world's sin. By His death He destroyed death, and by His rising to life He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels, the saints in heaven and those on earth, we glorify Your name, praising You and singing: (*"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB pg. 477 vs. 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!***

The Lord's Prayer...

All: 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.
—Matthew 6:9-13 **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of our Lord...

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Distribution...

We come forward to receive the Body & Blood of Christ in, with and under the bread and wine for remembrance; for forgiveness, for strengthening of faith. The ushers will assist you. You may sit and sing while you wait for the Holy Meal.

Sung During the Distribution...

(8:30 am) ***The Good Shepherd Choir Sings: "Resurrection Victory"***
—Lloyd Larson

*He is risen! Christ is risen! Sing it out with joyful voice!
He has burst the three days' prison, let the whole wide earth rejoice!
Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen! Christ is risen! He shall reign for all eternity.*

*He is risen! Christ is risen! Risen to a holy state!
We are free from sin's dark prison, He has opened heaven's gate.
Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen! Christ is risen! He shall reign for all eternity!*

*Crown Him the Lord of life, Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing of Him who died and rose on high,
He died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die!*

*He is risen! Christ is risen! Sing it out with joyful voice!
He has burst the three day's prison, let the whole wide earth rejoice!
Death is conquered we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen, alleluia!*

We Sing: "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" (LSB pg. 469)

*"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.*

*Love's redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our sun's eclipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.*

*Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened paradise.*

*Lives again our glorious King! Where' O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?*

*Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.*

*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!*



We Sing: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" (LSB pg. 461)

*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.*

*He lives to bless me with His love;
He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.*

*He Lives to grant me rich supply;
He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint' He lives to hear my soul's
complaint.*

*He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.*

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*He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest,
and King.*

*He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.*

*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.*



We Sing: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing" (LSB pg. 475)

*Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*The Lord of life is ris'n this day;
Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;
Let all the world rejoice and say:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Praise we in songs of victory
That love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord
The life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

...After The Holy Meal...

Pastor: Now may this gift of our Lord's body and blood strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace. He is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Prayer of Thanksgiving...

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made;

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

(The Prayer of Thanksgiving is said)

The Blessing...

Pastor: May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Hebrews 13:20-21

All: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. -Numbers 6:24-26

All: Amen!

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We Sing: "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" (LSB pg. 465)

*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! Christ has triumphed!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Eternal is the gift He brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife.
Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph;* (Continued...)

**Grant grace sufficient for life's day
That by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

(Please Stand) **Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heav'n-ly bless-ed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Thank you for worshiping with us this Easter morning. It's better
with YOU here! Please stick around for some good Christian
fellowship!*

*If you're visiting us today, please take a moment to sign in at one of
our kiosks and sign our guestbook,*

*A special thank you to those of you who helped prepare or brought
food to share during our celebration brunch this morning, and also to
those who donated flowers to beautify the sanctuary this Holy
Day...and to all of you who made these Lenten and Holy Week
services possible, Thank you. And may our Risen Lord continue to
bless and keep you! He IS risen indeed! Alleluia!*

To God Alone all Glory Goes!

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Serving Us Today

Pastor & Celebrant.....Pastor Koepsell
Organist.....Cam Bedroske
Choir.....(8:30 & 10:30) Adult Choir & (8:30) Bell Choir
Trombone.....(8:30 & 10:30) Jace Koepsell & Andrew Stowe
Trumpet.....(8:30 & 10:30) Julia Laituri

2026 Easter Flower Contributors

*Thank you to everyone who donated plants for our Easter services. You may take yours home after the 10:30 Easter Sunday service. **PLEASE** take only the kind of plant you ordered which is indicated by your name,*

Don & Bonnie Borgen (1 hyacinth)

*Dorinne Christl (1 hyacinth)
In memory of my daughter, Brenda,
and my granddaughter, Jenna*

*Sue, Howie & Emily Danula (1 Tulip)
In memory of John & Gertrude Danula
and Floyd & JoAnn Robinson*

*Pat & Craig Dreger (2 tulips)
In memory of parents, brother and
friends who have passed and
In thankfulness for all God's blessings.*

*Jen Dunham (1 tulip, 1 hyacinth)
In thankfulness for pastor, this church
and church family*

*Tom Dunham family (1 lily, 1 tulip,
1 hyacinth)
In memory of Janet Dunham, faithful,
loving, kind wife, mother and
grandmother*

*Bill & Marian Fenlon (1 tulip,
1 hyacinth)
In memory of Chic & Char Fenlon and
Ruth & Norbert Pomerence*

*Sean Harlow (1 tulip)
In memory of my father, Richard
Rickus*

*Mark & Edna Hayman (1 lily 1 tulip)
Given to the Glory of God*

*Rich & Kathy Keas (1 lily)
In thankfulness for our family*

*Fred & Jenny Kirchenwitz (2 tulips)
In memory of Rudi & Erna
Kirchenwitz &
Wally & Marge Hoffman*

*Marilyn Kleinhaus (1 lily, 1 tulip,
1 hyacinth)
In thankfulness for family*

*Koepsell Family (1 lily)
In memory of Norbert & Brian
Koepsell*

*Tom & Terri Kramer (1 tulip,
1 hyacinth)
In memory of family & friends who
have gone before us*

*Larry & Debbie Last (2 lilies)
In memory of Carl & Koreen Last and
Lawrence & Helen Abraham*

*Judy & Pete Mehn (1 lily, 1 tulip)
In memory of Joe Heggstad,
Sharon Dey & Don Mehn*

*Louis & Eileen Obot (1 lily)
In memory of all our family that are no
longer with us*

*Jan Peterson (1 lily)
In memory of my husband,
Bob Peterson*

*Kathy Reehl (1 hyacinth)
In memory of Rev. Charles Reehl*

Phyllis Sasse (1 tulip)
In memory of Kevin & Don Sasse

Jack & Joni Schloesser (1 tulip)
In thankfulness for our church home
and pastor

Karen Schuster (1 hyacinth)
In memory of Dawn Wendlick

Becky Siegrist (1 hyacinth)
In memory of Bill Siegrist

Bianca Smith (1 tulip)
In memory of Ruthell Mason

Gerald Sprague (1 lily)
In memory of Shirley & Sherry

Sara Surwalski (1 tulip)
In memory of my mom,
Kathy Kjeinhans

Dick & Donna Tritt (1 tulip)
In thankfulness for our many blessings

The Tuchscherer Family (2 lilies,
3 tulips)

Bill & Ruth Wagner (1 hyacinth)
In thankfulness for our family
and our church family

Upcoming Events

ALASKA MISSION TREATS & FELLOWSHIP: Between services today, follow the good smells—our Alaska mission team is serving up treats and hosting fellowship. Stick around, grab something sweet, and take a minute to meet someone new. Freewill offerings will help support the team’s upcoming trip. It’s a simple way to share a conversation... and the love of Christ.

NEW MEMBER POTLUCK: Next Sunday, April 12 at 11:30 AM, we are gathering around the table—and there’s always room for you. Sign up for our New Member Potluck Luncheon. The main dish is covered—just bring something to share. Come meet the people God is bringing together here—whether you’ve been here for years or you’re just getting started.

SENIOR COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR: This Thursday morning, from 9:00 AM to noon, our church is hosting a Senior Community Resource Fair—and it is more than just information. Stop by for helpful speakers, free blood pressure checks, and real connections to resources right here in the Oshkosh community. Come for a few minutes or stay awhile—you might find exactly what you didn’t know you needed.

BIBLE STUDY INVITATION: If you have been waiting for the right time to get into God’s Word—this might be it. We’ve got several Bible study options starting up. Stop by the information table, grab a card, and find one that fits your schedule. Then take the next step—show up. Because faith grows when we stay connected.

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH! Join us for the next Alaska Mission Trip dine-out fundraiser on Tuesday, April 14th from 4:00–7:00 PM at Rocky Rococo’s. Order online, dine in, or get delivery—no flyer needed—and 20% of all sales will be donated.