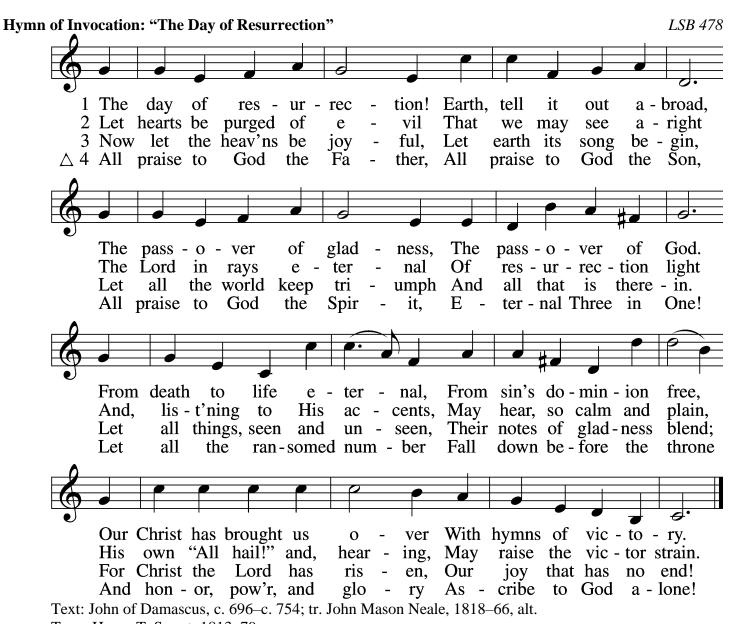
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Prelude "With High Delight Let Us Unite" -setting by Kevin Hildebrand "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" -setting by Kevin Hildebrand

Confession and Absolution



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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.

- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)



Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—* if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- on his name;*

make known his deeds among the | peoples!

Sing to him, sing prais- es to him;*

tell of all his | wondrous works!

Glory in his | holy name;*

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD | and his strength;*

seek his presence con- tinually!

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,*

his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

He remembers his covenant for- | ever.*

the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- ations.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—* if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth; 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Easter 2

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

First Reading Acts 4:32-35

The full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

 \mathbf{A} This is the Word of the Lord.

 \mathbf{C} Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 148; antiphon: v. 13



Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is ex- | alted:*

his majesty is above earth and | heaven.

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the | heavens;* praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his | angels;* praise him, | all his hosts!

Praise him, | sun and moon,* praise him, all you | shining stars!

Praise him, you highest | heavens,* and you waters above the | heavens!

Let them praise the name of the LORD!*

For he commanded and they were cre- ated.

And he established them forever and | ever;* he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Praise the LORD | from the earth,* you great sea creatures and | all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and mist,* stormy wind fulfill- | ing his word!

Mountains and | all hills,*

fruit trees and all | cedars!

Beasts and all | livestock,* creeping things and | flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all | peoples,* princes and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and maidens to- gether,* old men and | children!

Let them praise the name of the LORD,

for his name alone is ex- | alted;*

his majesty is above earth and | heaven.

He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for | all his saints,* for the people of Israel who are near to him. | Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

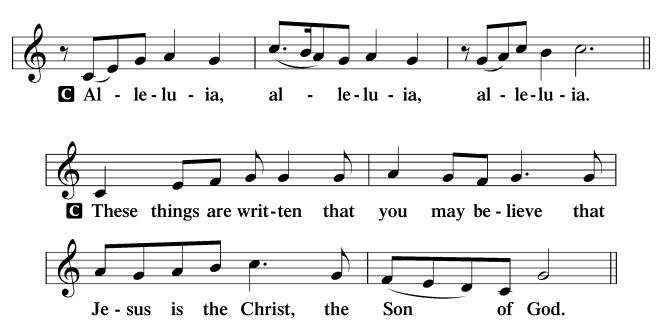
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Epistle 1 John 1:1—2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse





Holy Gospel John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed I I

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.



1 O King, Whom heav'n - ly and daugh - ters of the sons 2 That faith - ful Eas - ter morn, of at break day, The clad they sits 3 An an - gel in white see, Who and 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; Α mong them



glo - ry sing, To day the grave sting! hosts in _ has lost its seek the tomb wom - en went their where Je - sus way To lay. three, "Your Lord will speaks un - to Gal - i lee." the go to came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace with you here." be



- When Thomas first the tidings heard
 That they had seen the risen Lord,
 He doubted the disciples' word.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia, alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
- 9 On this most holy day of days
 Be laud and jubilee and praise:
 To God your hearts and voices raise.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Offering "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" -setting by Jacob B. Weber

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you enter the sanctuary, or as the offering plates are passed at this time.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 208

- **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.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:







Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
 - ... Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

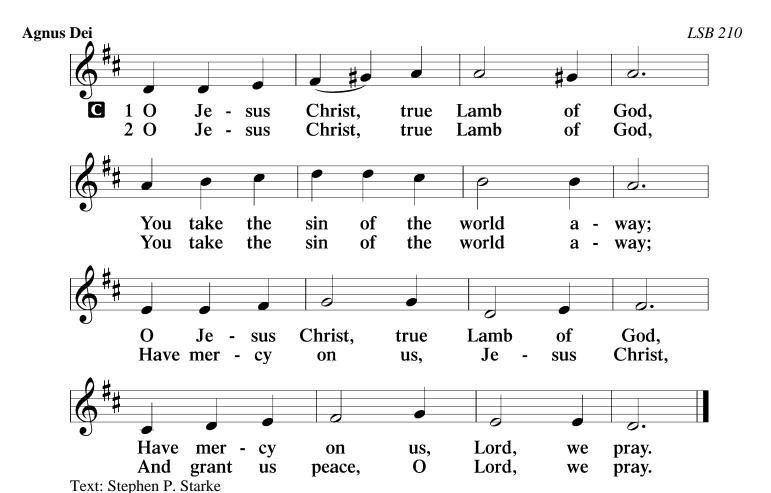
The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 209

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Distribution

You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Communion is offered in two ways: the individual cup and the common cup. If you would like the individual cup, please partake as the assistant minister passes by after Pastor gives the bread. If you would like the common cup, let the assistant minister pass by, open your hands palm up, and Pastor will return to give you the common cup.

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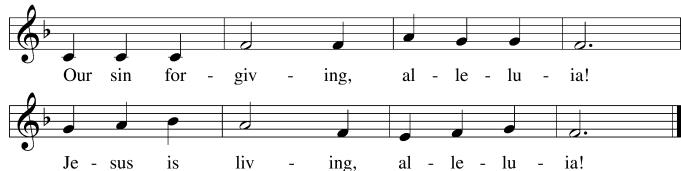
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Nunc Dimittis LSB 211



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

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

LSB 212

C Amen.

Benedicamus

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 212

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

C Amen.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship 9:30 a.m.

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS: John 20:19 – "Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" The peace we have in Jesus is what makes a life of good works possible. Since we know that it is Jesus who saved us, and not our works, we are now free to do good works not out of self-interest, but for the right reasons: out of thanksgiving toward God and love for our neighbors.

COUNTERS: We will be holding a class for offering counters on Sunday, May 5 after church in the Garden Room. Current counters and anyone interested in becoming a counter should plan to attend. Please see Nancy Wallner with questions.

EMMAUS T-SHIRT: We have one Emmaus T-shirt left, size XL. Contact Marilyn P if you're interested in it.

EMMAUS GARAGE SALE: Items are now being accepted for the upcoming garage sale, which will be held Friday, May 17 and Saturday, May 18. Items can be brought to the stage area in the back of the Sunday School room. You may price your own items if you wish. Questions or helpful advice, contact Jean G.

CRAFT MORNING AT ST. STEPHANUS: Join the women of St. Stephanus on Saturday, April 13 from 8:30-12:00 for a morning of fellowship and creativity. You are invited to bring your own handiwork or participate in a learning session (Zentangle, fusible applique, or knitting). For more information and how to register, pick up one of the bright pink papers in the narthex.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS: It is time to renew your subscriptions to *The Lutheran Witness*. Cost for the year is \$24.97 per subscription per year beginning August 2024. Renewals must be into the church office no later than May 15, 2024. Checks should be made out to Emmaus. If you are interested in starting a new subscription, please talk to Maria in the office.

HEAR "THE LUTHERAN HOUR" on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week's broadcast: "Breathe In, Breathe Out" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sanchez. The Holy Spirit breathes life into the Church and the Church breathes that life out to the world, with the love of Christ. (Acts 2:42-47)

BIKES NEEDED: Espen's Scout Troop is planning its Annual Bike Sale. Do you have a used bike to donate? The Scouts will fix them up (if needed) and sell at the annual Troop 67 Bike Sale Saturday, May 4 from 9:00 a.m. - noon in the Nativity of Our Lord School gym in Saint Paul. Donations appreciated now through the first week of May. Please contact nativitybikesale@gmail.com to arrange a time to drop off, or have someone come to pick up, your donated bike(s). If you're looking for a new bike, mark your calendars now for Saturday, May 4th! Credit/Debit payments only. All proceeds go directly to support Troop 67.

HOSPITALITY OPPORTUNITY: Coming up on Wednesday, April 10 from 4:00-6:30 p.m. on site at Concordia St. Paul, the St. Paul Outreach Center partners have the opportunity to help host a belated Easter Brunch in collaboration with CSP Campus Ministries for the international student community at CSP. We will be needing traditional American egg bake dishes (please, no pork or beef), donations of fruit or bread/pastries, and people willing to serve or just have conversation. This is a great opportunity to meet and serve another

group of community members! You can sign up to come or bring food item(s) to share using this link https://forms.gle/A33Eg2vUBQdvmzmM7. Contact Pastor Joshua Miller (Jehovah Lutheran Church) pastorjoshuamiller@gmail.com or Anna Gruen (CSP Ministry Associate) gruen@csp.edu.

OFFICE NEWS: Office hours will be limited this week. Please call ahead or email Maria if needed.

THIS WEEK AT EMMAUS:

Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Mon: Limited office hours this week Tues: 10:30 a.m. Worship Meeting 6 p.m. Spiritual Life Meeting 7 p.m. Council Meeting

Wed: Bulletin Deadline

1:30 p.m. Bible Study

7 p.m. Confirmation Class

Thurs: 1 p.m. Emmaus Quilters (SH)

4 p.m. Quilting Queens (SH) 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Fri: Office closed – call Pastor in emergencies

Sat: 12-5 p.m. Organist Rehearsal Next Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study

SERVING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY:

PASTOR: Rev. Nick Kooi ALTAR GUILD: Jean G ORGANIST: Barb B SOUND TECH: Randy W

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS: Mark G USHERS: Gary B, Greg W, Ken K COUNTERS: Gary B, Roxann M

LECTOR: Chris G GREETER: Jan N ACOLYTE: Elizabeth G