First Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN!

We're honored to have you join us as one of our Lord's guests this morning. As God welcomes us, we welcome you to this time of worship. We invite you to enjoy this continuing fellowship of The Body of Christ following the service.

SERVING FIRST TODAY

Interim Pastor Organist Praise Team Leader **Choir Director** Accompanist **Assisting Minister** Acolyte Crucifer Lector **Communion Assistants** Ushers Altar Guild Videographer Sound Engineer



Marjorie McDaniel **Robin Gratz** Jennifer Langevin Elizabeth Clark **Kim Jones** Sue McKinley Anna East Sasha Fuhs Gordon Starr Sue McKinley / Mary Ellen Wyman / Lucie Stricker Lois Steeb / Aiden Fuhs / Ella East / Magen Pillar Lucie Stricker Tom McKinley **Bill Haas**

Today's altar flowers are given by Steve & Christi Tam in honor of Riley's birthday, and by Dave & Diane Parsons in honor of their 53rd anniversary.

FLC Staff

Marjorie McDaniel - Interim Pastor Linda Trautman – Administrative Assistant Robin Gratz – Organist Choir Director – Elizabeth Clark Kim Jones – Accompanist Jennifer Langevin - Contemporary Service Worship Leader Gordon Starr - Superintendent of Christian Education

"Our mission at First Lutheran Church is to know Jesus Christ and bring Him to the hearts of others."



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC:

Forever (We Sing Hallelujah) – Words and Music by Brian Johnson, Kari Jobe Jenn Johnson, Gabriel Wilson, Joel Taylor, and Christa Black Gifford

Overcome – Words and Music by Jon Egan

Christ is Risen – Words and Music by Matt Maher and Mia Fieldes

Man of Sorrows - Words and Music by Brooke Ligertwood and Matt Crocker

At the Cross (Love Ran Red) – Words and Music by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Armstrong, Jonas Myrin, and Matt Redman

Stronger – Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

The Cross - Words and Music by Ann Wilson, Jeff Pardo, Jonathan Smith, and Matthew West

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 A.M. COMMUNION SERVICE APRIL 20, 2025 RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD EASTER DAY



PRELUDE: "Glorious Day" Words and music by Tim Light and Don Chapman

Praise Team

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

You may either stand or kneel.

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen
- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are in bondage 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: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and 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 HYMN: "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"



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:

P. The Lord be with you

C. And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

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.

Please be seated.

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

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PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24 - Spoken responsively, the Lector speaks the verses in regular print and congregation speaks the verses in **bold** print.

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

¹⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

²¹I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

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

²³By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

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

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11



SERMON:

Pastor Marjorie McDaniel

HYMN OF THE DAY: "The Day of Resurrection!"



Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833 ELLACOMBE 7676D NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: 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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always

C: And also with you

Please share the PEACE of the Lord with one another.



CHOIR ANTHEM: "Most Glorious Lord of Life" – William H. Harris

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make Thy triumph over death and sin, and having harrowed hell, didst bring away captivity thence captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom Thou didest die, being with Thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live forever in felicity.

And that Thy love we weighing worthily, may likewise love Thee for the same again; and for Thy sake, for Thy sake, that all dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain. So let us love dear Love, like as we ought, Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING:



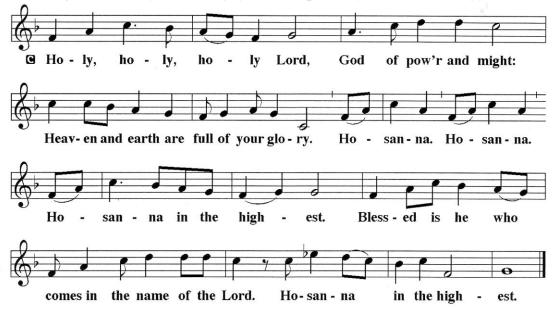
OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- 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.
- 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.
- A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



COMMUNION LITURGY

P. You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.
We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.
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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

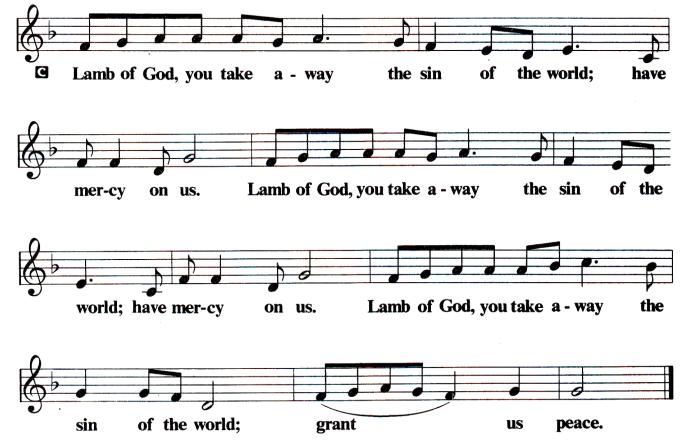
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

Communion this morning will be down the center aisle. Please form two lines.

All are welcome at Christ's table! If you are a visitor and receive communion at your home church, you are invited to do so here. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing.



COMMUNION PRAISE IN SONG: Selections by Wounded Healer

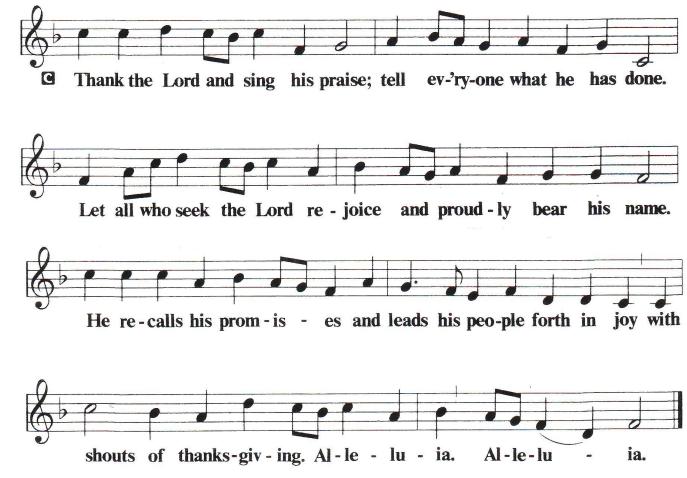
Please allow the Praise Team to commune first.

"Amen" (Because He Lives) – Words and Music by Ed Cash, Gloria Gaither, Jason Ingram, Matt Maher, Daniel Carson, Willim J. Gaither, and Chris Tomlin "Jesus Messiah" – Words and Music by Chris Tomlin, Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, and Jesse Reeves

Please stand if you are able

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER:

P: Risen Christ, you have refreshed us through the healing power of your real presence. Help us to be signs of your Resurrection life in all that we say and do.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION:

- P: Now, may the God who turns graveyards into gardens, allow the seed planted in your heart to flourish. May your friends and strangers taste the fruit of love in your life.
- C: Amen

SENDING HYMN: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!"



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DISMISSAL

- P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Voluntary in C – W. Boyce