

Matthew 28:6

He is
NOT HERE,
for he has

RISEN!

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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The Rev. Robert McKee

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Easter Sunday

Setting III
April 1, 2018

“FROM FEAR TO ACTION”

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. ASK ANY USHER.

Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!

God has greatly blessed us with your presence here today. Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, bright yellow forms are located on the back of the pews. They are collected during Offering in this morning's worship. You will also find pew pads in each pew, as it is passed to you during the service, we ask that all visitors & members sign in.

Name tags are available in the back of the church. Please wear your name tag to assist those of us with failing memories to remember your name!

SERVING US THIS MORNING

Ministers: All of the Members of this Congregation!

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Greeter(s) - Front Door: Andy & Trish Wadsworth

Greeter(s) - Side Door: Al Neubieser & Sally Hedman

Ushers: John Krogman, John Dhanaraj

Altar Guild: Laura Dhanaraj & Wendy Callahan

Background Worship: Beth Stauter

Contemporary Worship Leader: Joe Howard

Worship Team: Joe Howard, Seth Henderson, Paul Mitchell, Claudia Zichterman, Ron Zichterman, and Deb Mandac.

Director of Music: Claudia Zichterman

Organist: Claudia Zichterman

Choir Director: Chris Frye

Bell Choir Director: Wil Mandac

Sound-Computer Tech: Brad Sime & Francis Prabhu

Easter Lilies & Altar Flowers – given today by St. Luke Members in thankfulness for Jesus' loving sacrifice & Linnea Shieh, in memory of my mother, Patricia Aiello.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC:

Beth Stauter

PRELUDE

*"CHRIST IS ALIVE!
ALL CHRISTIANS SING"* Claudia Zichterman: Organ
(By Janel Linker and Jane McFadden)

Bells of St. Luke

CALL TO WORSHIP SONG:

"ALIVE FOREVER AMEN"

WELCOME

Pastor Bob McKee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH ERIN CASSIDY

SONG: "HE'S ALIVE"

SHARING OF THE PEACE

[P] The peace of the Lord be with you always.

[C] **And also with you.** (Share your peace, with one another, and then please be seated.)

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – Isaiah 25:6-9

Read by Janet Riddell

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Led by Janet Riddell

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

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

[W] *Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."*

[M] The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

[W] *Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"*

[M] The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

[W] *I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.*

[M] The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

[W] *Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.*

[M] "This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

[W] *I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.*

[M] The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

[W] *By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.*

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

CHORAL OFFERING: "ACCLAMATION FOR EASTER"

Worship Choir

(By John Paige)

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Read by Olivia Mitchell

Now 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, through 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. For 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, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But 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. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Gospel – Mark 16:1-8

Read by Pastor Bob McKee

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

[C] **Praise to you, O Christ.** (spoken)

MESSAGE

"FROM FEAR TO ACTION"

Pastor Bob McKee

SONG:

"RESURRECTION POWER"

APOSTLES' CREED

[C] **I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again 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.**

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(All members and guests, please sign in on the form in the pew pads when it is passed to you.
Prayer requests collected when plates are brought forward.)

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

[A] Let us pray...

[C] **Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your
goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer
ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and
redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who offered
himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[A] Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people
according to their needs.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Please stand)

[P] In the book of Proverbs we read: "The one who conceals his sins will not prosper, but
the one who confesses and forsakes them will find compassion." Hearing this word, and
knowing that we have a compassionate God, we can confess our sins before Him with
confidence.

Silent Meditation

[C] **Gracious God, we confess before You our sin today: We have not loved You with
our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not loved
as You have loved us. Show us our sins, O Lord, and give us the strength to
forsake them and to follow in Your steps, for the sake of Your beloved Son, Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

[P] The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abundant in
lovingkindness. It is the Lord's will that sinners turn from their ways and live.
In His love, God our heavenly Father has given His Son, Jesus Christ, to die
for our sins, that we might be forgiven, walk in newness of life, and serve
others to the glory of God. I therefore declare to you who trust in His promise today, that
your sins are forgiven, in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

[C] **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.**

“LAMB OF GOD...”

(music is located on hymnal page 146)

[C] **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)

Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Those who are baptized and believe in our Lord's presence "...in, with, and under the bread and wine..." are invited to commune by intinction. If you are not communing, please receive a blessing of the day. We come to his table via the center aisle, returning to our seats via the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward but wish the gifts Christ has for you, please notify an usher; and the servers will come to you.

COMMUNION SONG: "IN CHRIST ALONE"

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

[P] The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

[C] **Amen.**

(music is located in hymnal – service music hymn #204)

[C] **Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia**

SENDING SONG: "THINE IS THE GLORY

ELW #376
(Red Hymnal)

BENEDICTION

(Forgiven and fed, we are empowered to return to the world in service. Turn your attention to the receding cross of Christ, as he leads us back to the world with his final "good word" God's "Benediction.

THE DISMISSAL

[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] (with the joy of Christ) **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

POSTLUDE

POSTLUDE ON "EASTER HYMN" Claudia Zichterman
(By Gordon Young)
with "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY"
(Arr. By Roy Brunner)

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