

St. Luke Lutheran Church

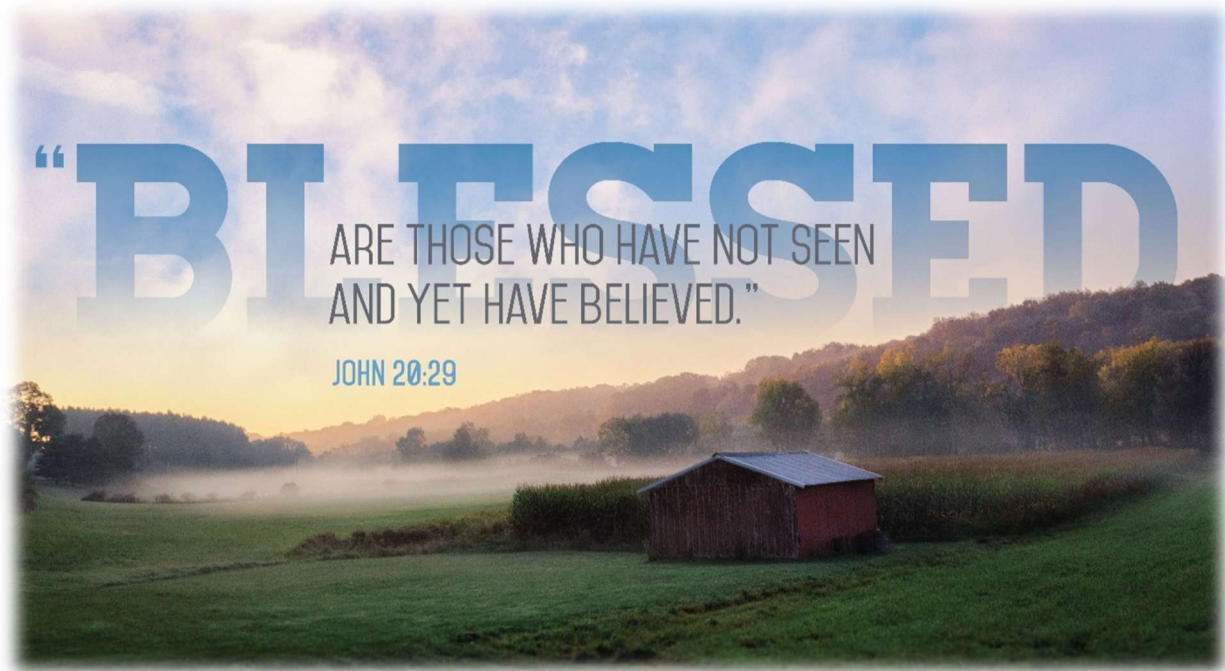
"Energized by God's Love"

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The Rev. Daniel Tisdell

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
2ND Sunday of Easter

Setting III
April 12, 2026



Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!
God has greatly blessed us with your presence today.
Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty in the church office.



Sunnyvale Community Services
Preventing Homelessness and Hunger in Our Local Community

SERVING US THIS MORNING

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Background Worship: Beth Stauter

Organist: Beth Stauter

Choir Director: Chris Frye

Bell Choir Director: Wil Mandac

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Madeleine Gan, Scarlett Marquez, Tim Ambrose, Tim and Denise Tsang

Prayer Chain Coordinator: Marlene Custer

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the Library/AV Room.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Beth Stauter

PRELUDE

“JESU, JOY OF MAN’S DESIRING”
(By J.S. Bach)

Tim Ambrose

WELCOME

Pastor Dan Tisdell

GATHERING HYMN **“THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT”** ELW #384

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

[P] Alleluia! Christ is risen.

[C] **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

[P] Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

[C] **Amen.**

[P] Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

[P] Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

[C] **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

[P] Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

[C] **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

[P] Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down

barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

[C] **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

[P] Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

[C] **Amen.**

INVOCATION

(music found on page 138)

[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.**

KYRIE

[A] In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

[C] **Lord, have mercy.**

[A] For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

[C] Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[A] Let us pray...

[C] Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WITH KIRK AUTSEN

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – Acts 2:14a, 22-32

After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: "Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both

died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

"This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Psalm 16

OT => Old Testament windows (right) side of sanctuary

NT => New Testament windows (left) side of sanctuary

[OT] Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

[NT] *All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.*

[OT] But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

[NT] *I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.*

[OT] O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

[NT] *My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.*

[OT] I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

[NT] *I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.*

[OT] My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

[NT] *For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.*

[C] You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

2nd Reading – 1 Peter 1:3-9

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have

not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(music found on page 142)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

[P] This is the Holy Gospel according to John ...

[C] **Glory to you, O Lord.** (spoken)

Gospel – John 20:19-31

Read by Pastor Dan Tisdell

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, 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 the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, 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. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt 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 come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.

[C] **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

"THE FIVE SENSES OF FAITH"

Pastor Dan Tisdell

HYMN OF THE DAY

"NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES"

ELW #379

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Prayer requests collected in the offering plates will be brought forward for the Prayers of the People.

OFFERING MUSIC

Beth Stauter

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

[A] Let us pray...

[C] **Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.**

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 catholic* Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.
(*universal)**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[P & A] Merciful God,

[C] **Receive our prayer.**

PEACE OF CHRIST

TRANSITIONAL PRAYER

[A] Let us pray...

[C] **Oh God, each time I worship and take communion, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit and help me grow closer to you and to my neighbor. Amen.**

MEAL

Sung by Pastor Dan Tisdell

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.

[C] It is right to give our thanks and praise.

[P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

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 found on page 146)

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, 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. Everyone is welcome to commune with communion fellowship cups or by intinction with bread and your choice of wine or grape juice. If you are not communing, please come up to receive a blessing of the day.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Beth Stauter

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

[P] Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

[C] Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

"THE DAY OF RESURRECTION"

ELW #361

BENEDICTION

[P] God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✝ bless you now and forever.

[C] **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

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

[C] **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

POSTLUDE:

Beth Stauter