

## PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.

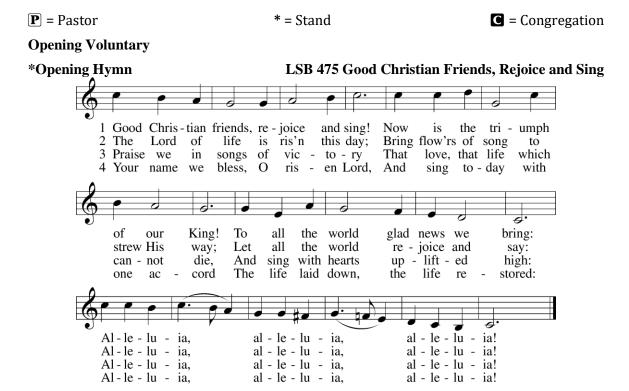
# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 7, 2024

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

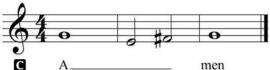
CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.



#### \*Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.



- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- $\mathbf{P}$ Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- Who made heaven and earth. C
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  $\mathbf{P}$
- And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

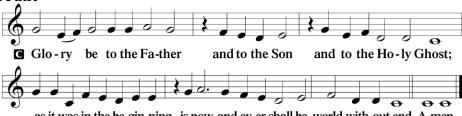
#### \*Confession

- O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

#### \*Absolution

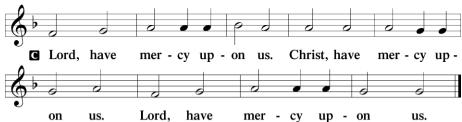






as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

\*Kyrie



## \*Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.





First Reading Acts 4:32–35

<sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup>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 <sup>35</sup>and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 John 1:1—2:2

<sup>1</sup>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— <sup>2</sup>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— <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

<sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

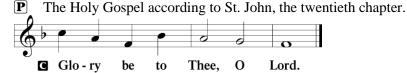
<sup>1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup>He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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





\*Holy Gospel *John 20:19–31* 



<sup>19</sup>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." <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>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."

<sup>26</sup>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." <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered

him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>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.



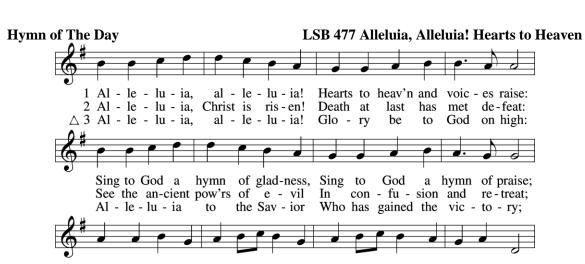
#### \*Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va-tion bled— Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more. Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je-sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead. Je-sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, Whom we wor-ship and a-dore. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia To the tri-une Maj-es-ty!

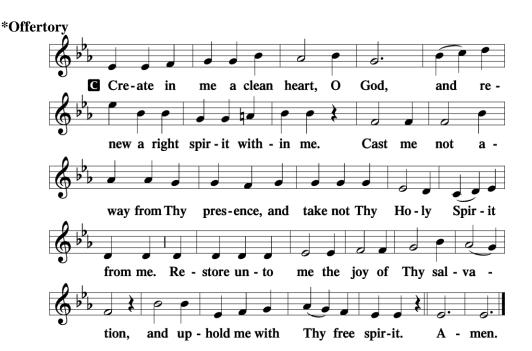
Sermon

"Fellowship In, With and Through Christ"

(1 John 1:1—2:2)

God on high:

**Sermon Notes:** 



## \*Prayer of the Church

## \*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.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT





P Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up un - to the Lord.



## \*Proper Preface

P We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



\*The Words of Our Lord

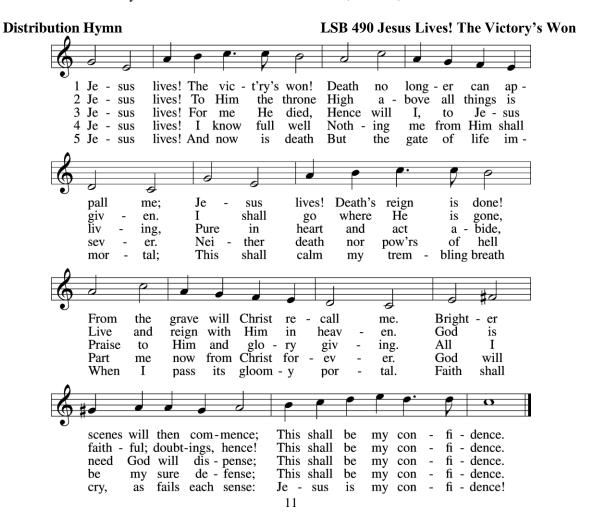
#### \*Pax Domini

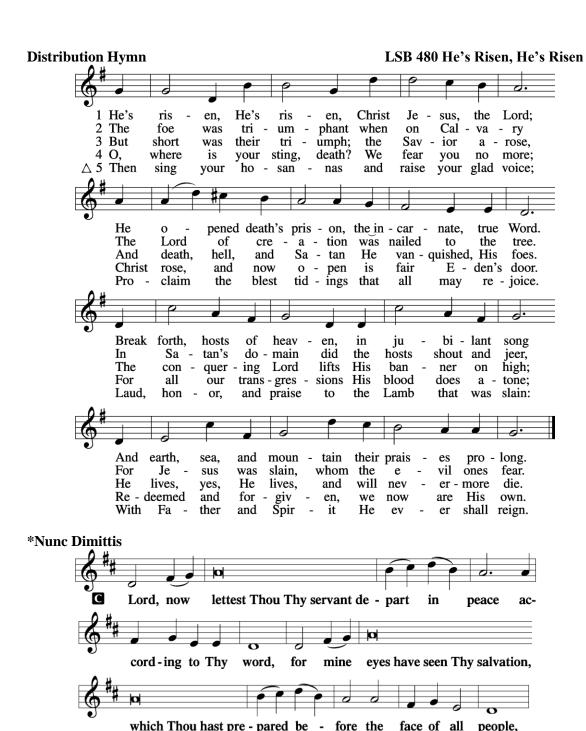
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

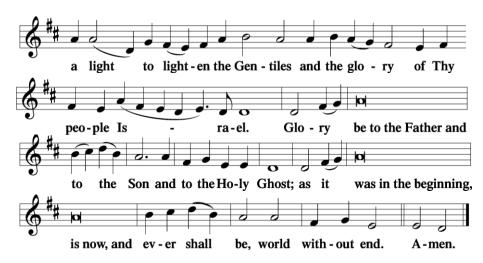




- When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- No longer Thomas then denied; He 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, 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!

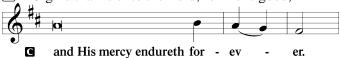






## \*Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,









## \*Benedicamus

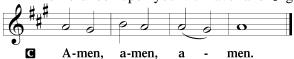


#### \*Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

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





## \*Silent Prayer

## **Closing Voluntary**

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#### SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown

Liturgists: Pastor Jon Furgeson and Sem. Ryan Milbrath

Organist: Kendra Ruesler

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: R. Goodman/B. Dressel/B. Hentchel

Elders: 5:00: Ken Werkmeister, Bob Wolff; 8:00: Jeff Akers, John Roesch;

9:20: Aaron Baese, Mark Maloy; 10:30: Jonathan Gathman, Alan Hopfer

Ushers: 5:00: Bill Petrovic, Jakob Beutelmann, Kevin Beutelmann, Don Hopkins, Jim Huck,

Gary Stinnett; <u>8:00</u>: Joe Sneed, Jon Caron, Dave Dippold, Joe Doskal, Tyler Rainey, Todd Tanner; <u>9:20</u>: John Roesch, Owen Bullard, Joe Roesch, Bill Schlegel, Ed Stackle;

10:30: Mike Murphy, Caleb Mirly, Lynn Oster, Roger Rakers, Matt Thiel,

Bob Uthoff, Rob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister

Acolytes:  $\underline{5:00}$ : Adelene Beutelmann, Ashley Kaul;  $\underline{8:00}$ : Ava Gamayo, Kaleb Vandenberg;

10:30: Ben Posadas, Grace Robinson

Greeters: 8:00: Jack & Paula Jeffcott; 9:20: Heather Carlson; 10:30: Scott & Lisa Saberton

Altar Committee: John and Tracey Roesch

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>KFUO AM 850 BROADCAST</u> is sponsored by Sharon Grisham in memory of Noah Beckerle's birthday on April 12.

<u>OUR 8:00 A.M. SERVICE IS LIVE ON KFUO THIS WEEKEND</u> and continuing through April. KFUO is found at 850AM on the radio. Broadcasts can also be heard 24/7 through KFUO.org.

<u>WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY</u> resumes this Wednesday, April 10, at 7:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall, continuing the study of Genesis.

<u>GENTLY USED BOOKS ARE NEEDED</u> for a Book Sale this fall, hosted by Ladies Club as a fundraiser for our church. The collection box is in the Commons. Check your house for books you can donate! If you have a significant number of books and need assistance getting them to church, please call Betty Via to arrange a pickup.

<u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – REGISTER NOW!</u> We will take a "Jungle Journey" this summer from June 24 to June 28. Three-year-olds through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, join us for an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. Children 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, we have activities scheduled for you too! Spots are filling up fast, so register your children and grandchildren soon by going to the Peace website and clicking on the Jungle Journey logo on the home screen.

<u>VBS VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET IS ON THE COMMONS COUNTER</u> Opportunities for both adults and youth are available. We would love to have your help!

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS STILL NEEDED</u> for our Sunday School program. Teachers especially needed for preschool, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Instruction will be provided. If interested, contact Pastor Brown.

<u>JOB OPPORTUNITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD</u> is seeking a Preschool Teacher. A job description is on the bulletin board in the Commons. Interested, contact Sue Velten, (314)892-8844.

<u>CURTIS BOWERS PRESENTATION – FRIDAY, APRIL 12</u> Award-winning Christian filmmaker and podcaster, Curtis Bowers, will speak on "It's All About the AGENDA" which connects news stories and events to the people and groups who are grinding America down. The presentation will be in Sanctuary Hall at 7:00 p.m.

GREEN PARK IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME CHILD CARE WORKER Hours would be Monday through Friday, 3:00-6:00 p.m. Qualifications include a loving and caring personality, patience, and flexibility. Interested candidates should email April Baese, Child Care Director, at april.baese@greenparklutheranschool.org.

<u>NEW LADIES SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY TOPIC</u> begins next Sunday, April 14. They will be using the combined LifeLight study of Ephesians and 1 & 2 Thessalonians. Books for the class are \$13.50 each. Please contact Janice McCreary if you are interested.

<u>A NEW SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS</u> will be held while Pastor Furgeson is on his sabbatical. Beginning on Sunday, June 2, Pastor Gadeken will lead the Bible Class in Sanctuary Hall from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. See the newsletter for more details.

<u>SURVIVING SPOUSES BREAKFAST</u> is this Thursday, April 11, 9:00 a.m. at Denny's on Lindbergh.

<u>OUR SHINE EVENT</u> is next Saturday, April 13, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. We will be meeting at church first. This once-a-year event is a great opportunity to volunteer and help support our community. **This year we will be packing food for the unhoused, cleaning alongside Barracksview Road, and helping out at Feed My People.** Perfect for those age 6 and above. To volunteer for this year's event please sign up by using the QR code on the Commons, or go to Peace's website and click on the Shine! logo on the home page. Following the event, lunch will be served in the gym. Grab your family and come and serve the Lord! For more information, see Pastor Brown.

<u>PEACE MARRIED COUPLES CLUB APRIL EVENT</u> is volunteering at the Shine event next Saturday, April 13. Sign up today to help out!

<u>NEXT SUNDAY IS LWML MITE BOX SUNDAY</u> and the BIG Mite Box will be available to accept your Mites for worldwide missions of the LCMS. Thank you for your very generous donations received last month.

CONCERTS AT PEACE PRESENTS THREE EXCITING CONCERTS IN APRIL On Sunday, April 14, at 3:00 p.m. our very own Peace Musicians will present a Chamber Music Concert. Combining Sacred and Classical Music, this concert will give our musicians a chance to play in various small ensembles and with different combinations of instruments. On Saturday, April 20, at 7:00 p.m. the Wartburg College Choir will present a concert in the Sanctuary. Founded in 1937, the internationally acclaimed Wartburg Choir performs sacred music from all historical periods and styles and often collaborates with contemporary composers. Under the direction of Lee Nelson this is one of the finest college choirs in the Nation. On Sunday, April 21, at 3:00 p.m. in the Gym, a Big Band and Jazz Concert sponsored by our local Musicians Union and the Music Performance Trust Fund. This concert of Big Band and Jazz classics is in honor of Jazz Appreciation Month. You are invited to each of these outstanding concerts! Bring family and friends along to enjoy some great music in a wide variety of styles.

<u>LADIES CLUB</u>, join us Tuesday, April 16, at 7:00PM for our April event. This will be a social evening, and everyone is asked to bring an appetizer, dessert or beverage to share. Bring the recipe also to share with others.

<u>REGISTER NOW FOR LUTHERAN SOUTH SUMMER CAMPS</u> Does your child enjoy shooting hoops? Love creating and drawing? Want to try a new sport like football or field hockey? LuSo Summer Camp offers a variety of athletic and enrichment activities with morning and afternoon sessions available. From playing tennis to the trombone, we have coaches and instructors who offer positive reinforcement. Your campers will have fun while learning a new skill. Register today at Lslancers.org/summer.

#### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 7, 2024

Sunday, April 7: 11:30am – Life Ministry Team

6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play

Monday, April 8: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

6:00pm – Church Council

 $6:\!00pm-Cross fire\ Volleyball$ 

7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 9: 9:00am – Quilters

9:00am – Refit Exercise Class 6:00pm – Co-Ed Volleyball

7:00pm – BSA Eagle Board of Review

Wednesday, April 10: 6:30pm – High School Youth Group

7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study

<u>Thursday, April 11:</u> 9:00am – Surviving Spouses Breakfast

9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study 6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball

7:00pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting

8:00pm – Chamber Ensemble Musicians Rehearsal

Friday, April 12: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

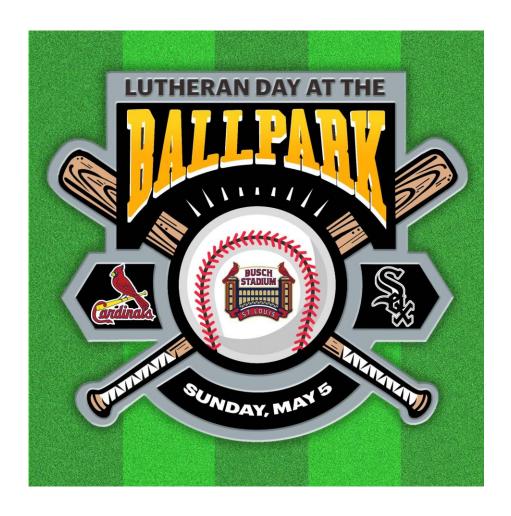
7:00pm – Curtis Bowers Presentation

Saturday, April 13: 8:00am – Shine Event

Sunday, April 14: 11:30am – Life Ministry Book Club

3:00pm – Peace Musician Chamber Music

6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play



JOIN US FOR LUTHERAN DAY AT THE BALLPARK on Sunday, May 5, at 1:15 p.m. for an interleague matchup between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Chicago White Sox. Sit with other families from your school and enjoy the view from the right field loge. Tickets are \$25 and include a free hot dog and soda. The first 25,000 fans, ages 16 and older, will take home an exclusive Cardinals purse. Then, stick around to watch the Lutheran South Lancers battle the Sullivan Eagles following the Cardinals game. Kids, 15 & under, get to run the bases between the games. Alumni are invited to join us at 11:30 a.m. in the Cunningham Corner for a pre-game party including food and drink. Entrance to the alumni party is free. Get your Cardinals tickets today at https://bit.ly/ballpark24.