## Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

Luke 24:36, NRSV

# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER April 14, 2024 The Order of Worship

<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!

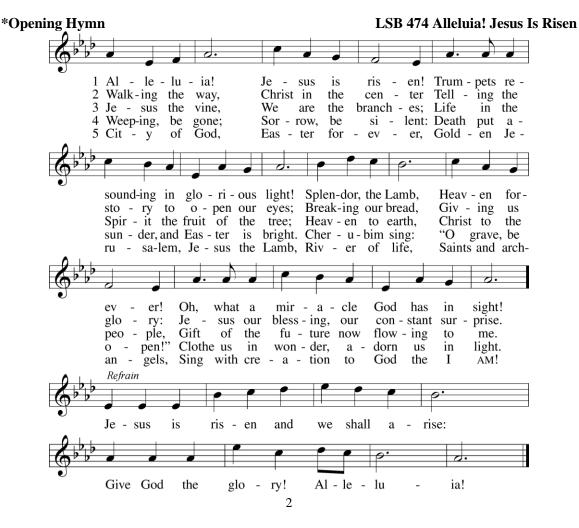
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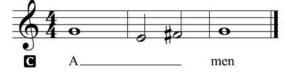
**C** = Congregation

**Opening Voluntary** (8:00 and 10:30) *Praise To the Lord* 

EMEUERREN GESANGBUCH/Anna Laura Page



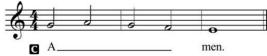
■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

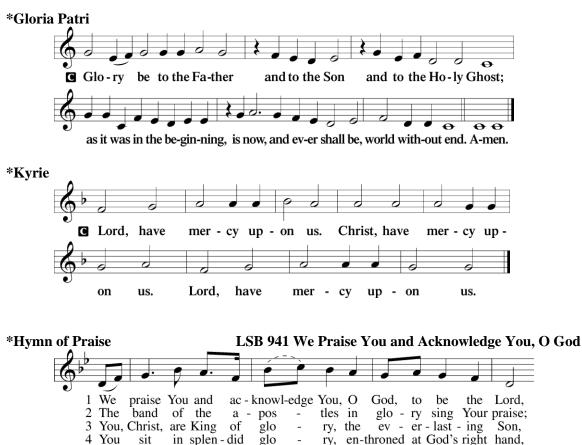


\*Opening Sentences Psalm 118:24; Romans 6:9; adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8

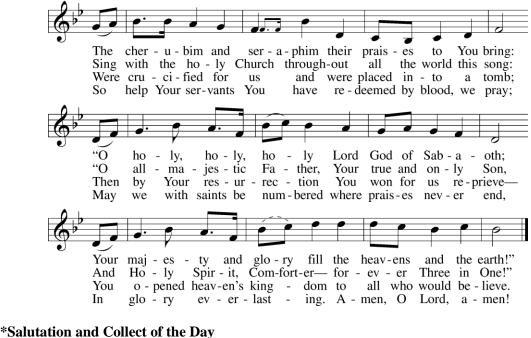
- **P** This is the day that the LORD has made;
- **C** Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
- **C** Death no longer has dominion over Him.
- **P** Christ has risen from the dead.
- **C** God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.
- P He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;
- **C** He has put all things under His feet.
- \*Confession
  - **P** Let us now confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.
  - **C** Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We are by nature sinful, and we have not always lived as Your thankful and joyful people. We have indeed turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins. Have mercy on us, gracious Father; forgive us all that is past, blot out our sins, and with the power of the Holy Spirit, direct our lives so that we serve You in true faithfulness. Grant us steadfastness among all the changes of this world and build Your kingdom among us here through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

\*Absolution





the Lord. glo - ry sing Your praise; ev - er - last - ing Son, ry, en-throned at God's right hand, The Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored. The fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death-less voic - es raise. Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res - cue ev - 'ry - one: Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en forc - es You com-mand. by You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav-ens sing, mar - tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no - ble throng То The great and no - ble throng, a - side Your glo - ry, were You laid born of vir - gin's womb, We know that You will come as our Judge that fi - nal day,



## \*Salutation and Collect of the Day



### **First Reading**

Acts 3:11–21

<sup>11</sup>While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this

man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

<sup>17</sup>"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, <sup>20</sup>that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, <sup>21</sup>whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle

1 John 3:1–7

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

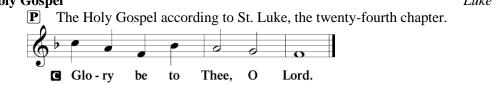
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### \*Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36-49



<sup>36</sup>As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" <sup>37</sup>But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your

hearts? <sup>39</sup>See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate before them.

<sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."



### \*Apostles' Creed

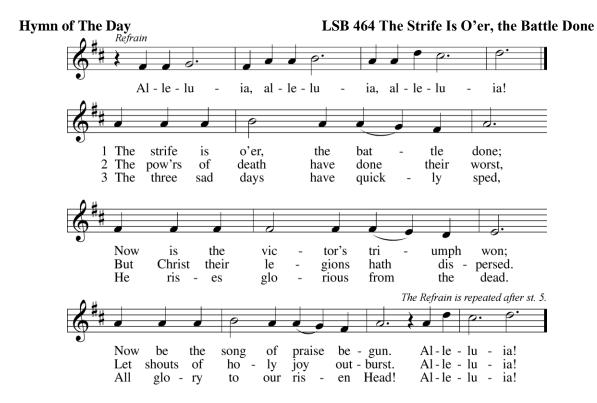
**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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.

Children's Message (8:00 and 10:30)

Abby Reynolds Deconess Student



- 4. He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell. Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!
- 5. Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia! *Refrain*

Sermon "The Resurrection is Not an Event, But a Reality" (Luke 24:36–49)

**Gathering of the Offering** *Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate.* 

Offertory Anthem (8:00 and 10:30)

Holy Is The Lord



\*Prayer of the Church

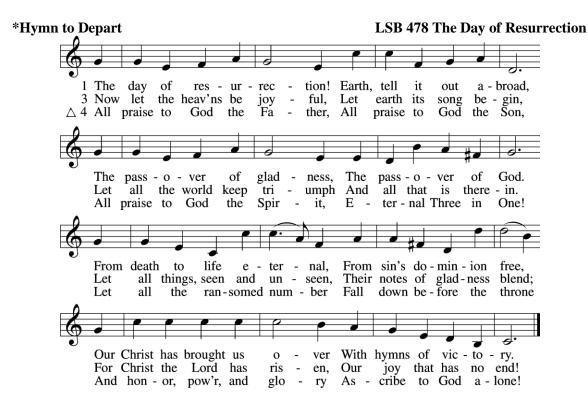
- \*Lord's Prayer
  - **C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## \*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.

A-men, a-men, a - men.



### \*Silent Prayer

#### **Closing Voluntary**

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## SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Jon Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown

Organist: <u>Saturday</u>: Michelle Sliger; <u>Sunday</u>: Burnell Hackman

Choir: Bells of Peace

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: M. Thiel/T. Hutton/B. Uthoff

- Elders: <u>5:00</u>: Rich Behnke, Art Hoeferlin; <u>8:00</u>: John Hooss, Ralph Wolters; 9:20: Alan Hopfer, Steve Kienstra; 10:30: Jeff Akers, Kyle Hopfer
- Ushers: 5:00: Dean Seyfert, Tony Cabanellas, Rick Cusumano, Craig Owen, Dean Rahn;
  8:00: Mike Renner, Tim Drier, Tom Johnson, Joe Karasek, Mark Mullen, Doug Schlechte, Dale Watson, Drew Watson; 9:20: Chris Hosty, Glenn Holler, Lars Johansson, Jeff Orf, Robert Wolff; 10:30: Kyle Sandersfeld, Phil Cottrell, Bruce Herzog, Luis Palma, Andrew Sandersfeld

Acolytes: 8:00: Avery Caron, Lucie Wildman; 10:30: Lucas Hangge, Austin Rutledge

Greeters: 8:00: Rick & Tammy Goodman; 9:20 & 10:30: Greg & Lois Ebmeyer

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>KFUO AM 850 BROADCAST</u> is sponsored by Wayne and Marilyn Schuessler in honor of Mildred Bachmann's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

<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>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – REGISTER NOW!</u> We will take a "Jungle Journey" this summer from June 24 to June 28. Three-year-olds through  $3^{rd}$  grade, join us for an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. Children  $4^{th}$  grade through  $6^{th}$  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>GREEN PARK IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME CHILD CARE WORKER</u> 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>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>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.

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.

<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>LADIES CLUB</u>, join us this Tuesday, April 16, at 7:00 p.m. 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>MEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY</u> meets this Thursday morning at 7:00 a.m. for their continuing study of Luther's Large Catechism. Plan on joining us!

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

JOIN THE LWML LADIES GUILD for their monthly meeting this Thursday, April 18, at 10:45 a.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Ellyn Petrovic will share about her recent three-month short-term service in the Dominican Republic for LCMS World Missions. Thank you for also remembering this weekend is LWML Mite collection at the Welcome Center.

<u>MARK YOUR CALENDARS</u>, Peace LWML Ladies Guild will have a Rada Cutlery Fundraising Event on May 4 and 5 after and before each church service. Rada has the best assortment of knives. Your donations will be used for LCMS Mission Grants.

<u>CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 14, 2024</u>	
Sunday, April 14:	11:30am – Life Ministry Book Club
	3:00pm – Peace Musician Chamber Music Concert
	6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play
Monday, April 15:	8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith
	6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball
	7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal
Tuesday, April 16:	9:00am – Quilters
	9:00am – Plastic Mat Making
	9:00am – Refit Exercise Class
	6:00pm – Co-Ed Volleyball
	7:00pm – Property Management
	7:00pm – Ladies Club
Wednesday, April 17:	9:00am – TPL Newsletter Assembly
	9:30am – Banner Committee
	11:15am – Preschool Chapel
	6:30pm – High School Youth Group
	7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study
<u>Thursday, April 18:</u>	7:00am – Men's Morning Bible Study
	9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study
	10:45am – LWML Ladies Guild
	6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball
	7:00pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting
	7:00pm – South County Republicans Meeting
Friday, April 19:	8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith
Saturday, April 20:	7:00pm – Wartburg Choir Concert
Sunday, April 21:	3:00pm – Big Band and Jazz Concert
	6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play

## **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 14, 2024**



<u>CONCERTS AT PEACE PRESENTS THREE EXCITING CONCERTS THIS WEEK</u> This afternoon, <u>Sunday, April 14, at 3:00 p.m.</u>, 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. Next <u>Saturday, April 20, at 7:00 p.m.</u> 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. Next <u>Sunday, April 21, at 3:00 p.m.</u> 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.