Worship Service ~ April 20, 2025 Easter! 8:30 and 10:00 am

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

VISION: Be the body of Christ: welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith. MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast is sponsored by Cathy Morehead in loving memory of her husband Billy T. Morehead.

PRELUDE MUSIC "Christ We Do All Adore Thee" by DuBois;

Faith Choir; Linda Burk, director

OPENING SONG ELW #365 JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY arr. Robert Powell stz 1,2,4; Faith Brass; organ; and congregation

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alleluia! **He is risen!**Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed!**Jesus Christ is Risen today! **He is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: In the name of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.**

L: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, we are called to live the baptized life,

C: let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

L: When we were baptized in Christ Jesus,

C: we were baptized into his death.

L: We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death,

C: so that as Christ was raised from the dead

L: by the glory of the Father,

C: we too might live a new life.

L: For if we have been united with him in a death like his,

C: we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

L: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,

C: that each breath we take is filled with your Spirit as we devote our lives to caring for your beautiful creation.

L: We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

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SONG OF PRAISE THIS IS THE FEAST ELW page 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: 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.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from Acts.

Acts 10:34-43

34Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. 37That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 how God anointed lesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear. 41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

R: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW page 151 ALLELUIA

R: A Gospel reading from the 24th chapter of Luke. C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Luke 24:1-11

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5 The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the

ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

R: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

OFFERING ~ MUSICAL OFFERING "Joy in the Morning"
by Natalie Sleeth; Faith Choir; Faith Brass; Alan Ball, organ



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THE PRAYERS

L: Heavenly God, hold your people together in peace and dwell in our hearts as we pray.

C: Lead our voices in praising your name and sharing the good news!

L: You've conquered death over the cross, blessed us with new life!

C: Call us by name, show us your ways to glorify your name!

L: Walk alongside those who suffer, mourn, or cry out for help, especially those we name silently in our hearts, abide in our hearts.

C: Give us hope when we doubt and strength when we are feeling overwhelmed.

L: Transform us to serve your beautiful creation.

C: Give us grace-filled hearts and a willing spirit!

L: Into your hands, merciful God, lead us forward to serve your mission for this world. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: Let us give our thanks and praise to God!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION You are invited to come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive communion.

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BLESSING

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope \oplus bless you now and always. C: Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #660 LIFT HIGH THE CROSS arr. Carl Shalk; Faith Brass; Alan Ball, organ and congregation

DISMISSAL

L: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE "Dance Prelude on Thine is the Glory" by Kenneth Grinnell, Jr.; Faith Brass; Alan Ball, organ

Faith Brass: Davis Bitterman, Trumpet; Joe DeLisi, Trumpet; Jake Matheson, Trombone; Kevin Rassier, Trombone Henry Ball, Timpani

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