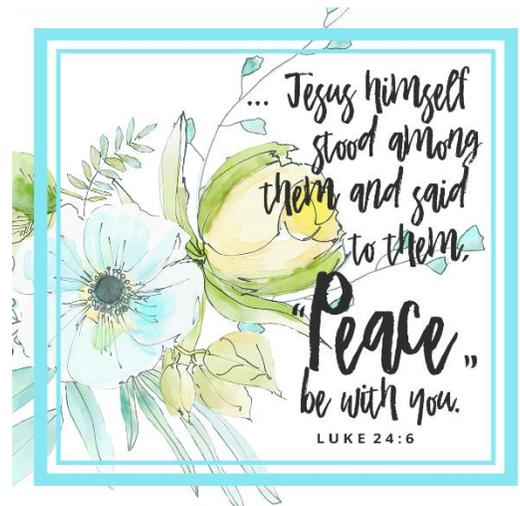


FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Sunday, April 18, 2021**

*Third Sunday of Easter*



*RINGING OF BELL*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
Loving God,

**All: we confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection but are caught in the worries of the world. We confess that we do not always live in the spirit of new life but remain discontent, grumbling and anxious. Forgive us for not sharing in the Good News. Forgive us when we find it more comfortable to worry and complain than to risk the joy and encouragement of new life in Christ. Call us back to Your ways, O God, to seek hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace.**

P: Christ is Risen! The stone is rolled away, the tomb found empty. Mary calls out "I have seen the Lord!" We have seen Christ, too, in every helping hand, in every heartfelt gift, in every choice to restore life in this world. We are called this to new life, a life of forgiveness and reconciliation. You are forgiven; accept your forgiveness and know that God loves you and desires great joy for your life. Walk forward on this journey of faith, knowing your brothers and sisters are with you. Amen.

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

OPENING DIALOGUE

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

L : For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

L: 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.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**All: Amen.**

L: Let us worship Holy God.

**All: Alleluia!**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of 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 WORD

#### PSALM 4

L: Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;  
you set me free when I was in distress;  
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**All: "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;  
how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"**

L: Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;  
the LORD will hear me when I call.

**All: Tremble, then, and do not sin;  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

L: Offer the appointed sacrifices,  
and put your trust in the LORD.

**All: Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"  
Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.**

L: You have put gladness in my heart,  
more than when grain and wine abound.

**All: In peace, I will lie down and sleep;  
for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

## READING: 1 JOHN 3:1-7

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

**All: You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: LUKE 24:36B-48

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost 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>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, 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 in their presence.

<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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things."

P. The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: Pastor Julie Rogness

MUSIC & REFLECTION - DAY OF ARISING **Organ Only/No Vocal** ELW #374 VSS.3 & 4

**(v.3) 'Lo, I am with you,' Jesus has spoken.**

**This is Christ's promise, this is Christ's sign:  
When the church gathers, when bread is broken,  
There Christ is with us in bread and wine.**

**(v.4) Christ, our companion, hope for the journey,  
Bread of compassion, open our eyes.  
Grant us your vision, set all hearts burning  
That all creation with you may arise.**

## APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.**

SHARING THE PEACE — OFFERING OF GIFTS — PRAYERS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION — LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION — COMMUNION BLESSING

## BLESSING

P: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## HYMN

**Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!**

**ELW # 377**

**VSS. 2 & 3**

TUNE: EARTH AND ALL STARS

**2 Walking the way, Christ in the center  
telling the story to open our eyes;  
Breaking our bread, giving us glory:  
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise.  
Jesus is risen and we shall arise.  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

**3 Jesus the vine, we are the branches;  
Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;**

**Heaven to earth, Christ to the people,  
Gift of the future now flowing to me.  
Jesus is risen and we shall arise.  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

*RINGING OF BELL*

DISMISSAL

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
L: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!  
**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

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**CALENDAR**

Sun/Apr 18	9 am	WORSHIP – In-Person & Live-Streamed
Sun/Apr 18	7 pm	AA
Wed/Apr 21	6:30	Confirmation
Wed/Apr 21	7:30	Council
Thu/Apr 22	10 am	Round Table
Thu/Apr 22	7 pm	AA
Sun/Apr 25	9 am	WORSHIP – In-Person & Live-Streamed

**Christ in Our Home Devotion Books - APR-MAY-JUN**  
May be found in the Countertop Basket at the rear of the church

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***Peace be with you***

