



Faith Lutheran Church

March 31, 2024

8am and 10am

Sunday of the Resurrection

ELW Setting 3

We welcome you with open arms and open hearts!

“Faith Lutheran Church is a family of God built on love: Worshiping, welcoming, learning, and serving in Christ’s name.”

We’re a family of God “because God first loved us.” (1 John 4:19)
Because you are here, you are part of the family—Welcome.

If you are here for the first time, please complete a response card found in the pews and put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. Thank you.

“ELW” Refers to the red hymnal.

Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshipping with us!

God Gathers The Body Of Christ

Prelude

Amber Richardson

Call To Worship

PM: God is alive...

All: New birth is given.

PM: Hope is alive...

All: A new age is dawning.

PM: Joy is alive...

All: Redemption is here.

PM: Love is Alive...

All: Death cannot harm us.

PM: We are alive...

All: New life is within us.

PM: The church is alive...

All: God’s Spirit is within us.

PM: God of life, we worship you

All: God of creation, we praise you.

PM: God of revelation, we learn from you.

All: God of resurrection, we are here to celebrate you.

Gathering “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

ELW #365

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Easter Greeting

AM: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed, Alleluia! (3x)

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

All: And also with you!

AM: Any prayer requests?

Hymn of Praise

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

ELW #855, vs. 1&2

- 1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.
- 2 Crown him the virgin's Son,
the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won
which now his brow adorn;
fruit of the mystic rose,
yet of that rose the stem,
the root whence mercy ever flows,
the babe of Bethlehem

Prayer of the Day

AM: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

AM: Let us pray:

All: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ,

our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

God Speaks To Us In The Word

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Lector: A reading from the 10th chapter of Acts:

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but 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: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus 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; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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."

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

²**Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever."**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the
righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.**

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD;
here the righteous may enter."

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.**

²²The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Lector: A reading from the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians:

The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Kids' Talk

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

Gospel

PM: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 16th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the Reading)

PM: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Paul Anderson

Sermon Son “The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done”

ELW #366

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1 The strife is o'er, the battle done;
now is the victor's triumph won!
Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst;
Jesus their legions has dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!
- 3 The three sad days have quickly sped,
Christ rises glorious from the dead.
All glory to our risen head! Alleluia!
- 4 Christ closed the yawning gates of hell;
the bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
Let hymns of praise his triumph tell. Alleluia!

5 Lord, by the stripes that wounded you,
from death's sting free your servants too,
that we may live and sing to you. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Nicene Creed

ELW p.104

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Prayers of the Church

AM

A: Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Loving God, we pray for this community of faith (*name/s may be spoken here*) and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death (*especially John Donne and all whose ministry in the arts inspired generations to faith*). Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

Pass the Peace

PM: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Offering “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW #186

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

Offering Prayer

AM: God of love,

All: You call us beloved children and welcome us to your table.

Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.

Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen

Jesus Comes To Us In His Supper

Dear members and friends: as you trust the God you meet in Jesus, you are welcome to share his meal. Christ offers here and now his body and blood, his death and resurrection, as a demonstration that God “loves you to death” and is present to, in, and through you now and forever. If you are not yet baptized, we invite you to speak to the pastor about receiving the touch of God’s love and leadership through the water and word of baptism as well.

Great Thanksgiving

ELW p.144

PM: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

PM: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

PM: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PM: It is indeed right...

PM: ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow’r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution

WOV p.37

PM: ...all glory and honor is yours, almighty
Father, now and forever. **All: Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

PM: Let us pray the prayer the Lord taught us to pray:

**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**

Distribution “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!” ELW #385
“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing” ELW #389

God Sends Us Into The World

Blessing

PM: May the Lord strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Post Communion Prayer

PM: Let us pray:

**All: Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with
the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection.
May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that
the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live,
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and forever. Amen**

Benediction

PM: 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**

Announcements

Sending Song

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

ELW #392

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."
- 2 Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us;
faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise:
"I am with you evermore"?
- 3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day.

Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer, hear our plea
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.
As within the veil you entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest,
here on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."

Dismissal

AM: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

AM: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Easter Breakfast following 1st service and benefits our college scholarship fund. Come on in and enjoy some great food and even better company!



BIBLE CAMP SUNDAY, Sunday, April 7



What's Up At FLC-Week of April 1-7

(all events at Faith Lutheran unless indicated)

Monday: Office Closed for Easter Mon., WW 3 & 5:30pm

Wednesday: Quilting 9-noon

Sunday: FLBC Camp Sun. Worship 9:30am

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