THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 4, 2025



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PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER GREETING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and is to come.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

P: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: Make us one as you are.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: Make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: Make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love and life, O Living One, that our everyday is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C: Amen.

HYMN #729 "THE CHURCH OF CHRIST, IN EVERY AGE"

GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

♬ Kyrie

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia! Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. (concluding...now and forever.)

C: Amen

READINGS

ACTS 9:1-6 [7-20] / PSALM 30 / REVELATION 5:11-14

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL (JOHN 17:1-10-23)

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

YOUTH SERMON – Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen

SERMON – Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen

HYMN #510 "WORD OF GOD, COME DOWN TO EARTH"

CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

(Each petition ends: P: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.)

P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray. (concluding...our Savior and Lord.)

C: Amen.

□ GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

P: It is indeed right....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 in the highest.

 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED TODAY.

All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited to receive Holy Communion Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.

 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

HYMN #825 "YOU SERVANTS OF GOD"

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

Post-Communion Hymn (Hymn #619)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. (concluding...Jesus Christ our Lord.)

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN #392 "ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS"

DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

RINGING OF THE BELL POSTLUDE

Pastor: Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen

Organist: Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman

Acolyte: David Burke **Lector:** Jason Bousselot

Communion Assistant: Neil Holmquist

Usher: Rachel Burke

Cleaners: Jason Bousselot

Those to keep in prayer: Carter Henning, Mallory Bousselot, Cathy Goddard, Larry Schau, Margarett Travaille; the homebound: Carol Christensen, Ron Gasper, Delores Lahann, Myrna Kay Peterson, Vera St. John, and Bus Seastrand; and those serving in the military.

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This Week At A Glance

Pastor Leah out of the office. Monday, May 5th

Pastor Leah will be available by

phone or e-mail.

Tuesday, Pastor Leah out of the office.

May 6th Pastor Leah will be available by

Phone or e-mail.

Wednesday, 6:00 pm Confirmation at Faith May 7th 7:00 pm Bible Jam at Faith

Pastor Leah Friday,

May 9th will be on vacation.

Monday, May 12th

Sunday, 8:00 am Worship Service at Our Savior's

May 4th 9:25 am Sunday School at Faith

Last day of Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service at Faith

Announcements

Pastor Leah out of the office

Pastor Leah will be out of the office May 5th, and May 6th. She will be available by phone or email.

Pastor Leah on vacation

Pastor Leah will be on vacation May 9th, May 10th, May 11th and May 12th.

Confirmation

Confirmation will be held on Sunday, May 18th at 9:00 am at Faith. The following will affirm their baptism: Caden Will, Eva Burke and Grant Hoffman. A reception in the fellowship hall at Faith will follow worship. All are welcome!

Bible School

Bible School is scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, 2025 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Bible School is for children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade. **Registration forms need to be returned to the church office by May 13**th. Please make arrangements with the school to have children ride the bus to the church.

Ewalu Bible Camp

Ewalu received a generous gift to help more kids experience a lifechanging week at summer camp. For the summer of 2025, Ewalu is offering a free week of camp to 100 campers who have never experience summer camp with them before. If you would like additional information, please contact the church office.