

Christ is risen!

*Alleluia!*

*RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD  
EASTER DAY  
April 5, 2026*

**Worship text is on the screen.  
\*Indicates Congregation Stands if able**

***Items in Italics are only for the service indicated***

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**Prelude—"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"- Bev Kriner and Silas Daniel**

**\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

**\*Gathering Hymn: ELW #365-"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**

**\*Greeting**

**\*Hymn of Praise: ELW page 204-"Glory to God"**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

***(11:00 am ONLY) Children's Lesson***

**First Reading: Acts 10:34-43**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (Refrain and psalm are on page 4)**

**Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4**

**Special Music: "Sing A Grateful Hymn of Praise"- JOY Choir & Handbell Choir**

**\*Gospel Acclamation: -ELW page 205- "Alleluia"**

**\*Gospel: Matthew 28: 1-10**

**Today's Message is Given by: Pr. Art Wuertz**

**\*Hymn of the Day: CCLI # 1680- "Because He Lives"**

**\*Nicene Creed**

**\*The Prayers of the People**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Offertory: "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"- com. Daniel B. Towner**

**\*Congregational Offertory: ELW #376-"Thine Is The Glory" - verse 1**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

**\*"It is indeed right....."**

**\*Sanctus: - ELW page 207-"Holy, Holy, Holy"**

**\*Eucharistic Prayer**

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Invitation to Communion**

**\*Lamb of God: ELW page 208-"Lamb of God"**

**Distribution Hymns:**

**ELW # 167-"Now the Feast and Celebration"**

**ELW # 373-"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" vv. 1, 2, 5, & 6**

**ELW # 779-"Amazing Grace"**

**\*Communion Blessing**

**\*Prayer after Communion**

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sending Hymn: ELW #619-**

**"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"- vv 1, 2, & 8**

**\*Sending**

**\*Postlude: "The Day of Resurrection" - arr. Larry Shackley**

## PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24



Psalm 118:24

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***R: This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)***

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

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel now declare,  
"God's mercy endures forever."

<sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.

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

- <sup>16</sup> The right hand of the LORD <sup>|</sup> is exalted!  
The right hand of the <sup>|</sup> LORD acts valiantly!”
- <sup>17</sup> **I shall not <sup>|</sup> die, but live,  
and declare the works <sup>|</sup> of the LORD. R**
- <sup>18</sup> The LORD indeed pun- <sup>|</sup> ished me sorely,  
but did not hand me o- <sup>|</sup> ver to death.
- <sup>19</sup> **Open for me the <sup>|</sup> gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks <sup>|</sup> to the LORD.**
- <sup>20</sup> “This is the gate <sup>|</sup> of the LORD;  
here the righ- <sup>|</sup> teous may enter.”
- <sup>21</sup> **I give thanks to you, for you have <sup>|</sup> answered me  
and you have become <sup>|</sup> my salvation. R**
- <sup>22</sup> The stone that the build- <sup>|</sup> ers rejected  
has become the chief <sup>|</sup> cornerstone.
- <sup>23</sup> **By the LORD has <sup>|</sup> this been done;  
it is marvelous <sup>|</sup> in our eyes.**
- <sup>24</sup> This is the day that the <sup>|</sup> LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be <sup>|</sup> glad in it. **R**



DISCOVERING  
GOD'S VISION  
FOR YOUR  
LIFE

*You and Your  
Spiritual Gifts*

**COMING IN MAY**

**Spiritual Gifts Discovery Class**  
*Come as you are. Leave inspired.*

**Two sessions: Saturday, May 2 & May 9**

(You must attend both sessions)

**Time: 10:00am – Noon Swenson Hall**

**Cost: \$10 per person**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 12**



Women <sup>of the</sup> **ELCA**

## **Thank You**

A **BIG THANK YOU** to all the women (and gentlemen) of Joy for your wonderful baked goods. Because of you, our Fun Day Bake Sale on March 28<sup>th</sup> was a huge success. A very special thank you to my Joy angels (Edie, Jean and Patti) for all their help.

Carson Faris



## NEXT WEEK'S DATELINE

April 6, 2026 — April 12, 2026



**DATELINE LEGEND:** SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;  
OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOC
Mon. 4/6	ALL DAY	OFFICE IS CLOSED	
	1:00 PM	Bible Study With Charlie	N
	1:00 PM	Member Care Ministry	SH
Tue. 4/7	11:00 AM	Beginners' Bible Study	SH
	6:30 PM	Worship & Music Ministry	N
Wed. 4/8	9:00 AM	Happy Hands Ministry	SH
	9:00 AM	Joyful Hands Ministry	SH
	2:30 PM	Christian Education Ministry	SH
	3:00—4:30 PM	JOY Choir Rehearsal	S
	6:30 PM	Worship Service	S
Thu. 4/9		Wear Gloves Lunch Share	OC
	1:00 PM	Publicity Ministry	N
	1:30 PM	Outreach Ministry	SH
	2:00—3:00 PM	Off Key Chorale Rehearsal	S
	3:00 PM	Stewardship Ministry	SH
	6:30 PM	Brick City Ringers Rehearsal	S
Fri. 4/10	10:00 AM	JOY Handbell Choir Rehearsal	S
	1:00-3:00 PM	Cleaning Service	S/SH
Sun. 4/12	8:15 / 11 AM	Worship Service	S
Altar Angels	8:15/11 AM	Susanne Beech, Peggy Dietz/Linda Neblock, Vicki Valli	S
Ushering	8:15/11 AM	Heinzen/Owen	S
Ambassadors	8:15/11 AM	Becky Spees/Diane Knox	N
Fellowship	8:15/11 AM	Sally Hurley/ Tasty Treats	N
Counters		Joe and Judy Spillane	SH

## THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Dale Anders & family\*-Health issues  
Brenda Bal\*-Cancer  
Patty Braswell\*-Illness  
Bob Bleau--Recovery  
John Caputo\*-Heart Issue  
John Cobb-Health  
Robert Cretul\* – Cancer  
Carol Daruna\*-Cancer Diagnosis  
Virginia Dockus' Granddaughter\*-  
Bleeding in Brain  
Aud Enslow\*-Healing  
Violet Frey-Health Issues  
Elaine Grass\*-Recovery from  
Stroke  
Guy Griemey\*-Cancer  
Norm Halvorsen-Recovery  
Trudie Herzog\*-Illness  
Susan Holmes-Health  
Bruce Hopkins & Family\*-LOMS  
Bob Irish\*-  
Jake's Grandfather Bob-Concerns  
Barbara Johnson - Stroke  
Carol & Jim Jordie-Finding Bucky  
Nancy Kraft-Hospice Care  
Linda Kraigenow-Recovery  
Gary Linton\*-Severely Ill  
Ed Mathena-Surgical Recovery  
Julie Mugherman\*-Hospitalization  
Steven Mendez\*-Recovery  
Drew Miller\*-Mental Health  
Doris & Raymond Ness\*-Health

Issues  
Abby Owen\*-Cancer  
Deb Pequignot\*-Brain Tumor  
Pam Rodriguez\*-Cancer  
Dolly Schember-Health  
Schiavone family-Breavement  
passing of Eugene  
Katie Schoenfelder-Health  
Brian Shull\*-Special  
Circumstances  
Nancy Spitzack\*-Family Issues  
Debbie Spivey\*-Cancer  
Kristen Spivey\*-Preparing to be a  
kidney donor  
Samantha Stafferi\*-Possible  
Cancer  
Lee & Edie Stewart – Health  
Helen Vance\*-Cancer  
Maggie Vanek-Recovery  
Ken Warner\*- Lung Cancer  
Mary Wilson\*-Illness  
Dawn Winblad-Cancer Treatment  
  
Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Living  
Cynthia Randall-Memory Care

ATTENDANCE			
WEDNESDAY	03/25/2026	5:30 PM	35
SUNDAY	03/29/2026	8:15 AM	79
	03/29/2026	11:00 AM	129

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY ARE PLACED  
BY**



**TERRI and RICH FEELEY  
And  
IRENE and JOHN HENDERSON**

*In Celebration of Easter!  
Christ is Risen!  
He is Risen Indeed!*


<u><b>THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAM</b></u>		
<b>EASTER SUNDAY 2026</b>		
<b>PRESIDING MINISTER</b>		Pr. Art Wuertz
<b>ASSISTING MINISTER</b>	8:15	Pr. Wayne Kofink
	11:00	Vicki Valli
<b>READER</b>	8:15	Kim Hessel
	11:00	Terry Feeley
<b>ORGANIST</b>		Silas Daniel
<b>HANDBELL CHOIR DIRECTOR</b>		Melissa Daniel
<b>CHOIR DIRECTOR</b>		Linda Aker
<b>CROSS BEARER</b>	8:15	
	11:00	Carson Faris
<b>TORCH BEARERS</b>	8:15	Darlene Haines
	11:00	Elena Daniel, Terri Feeley
	11:00	
<b>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS</b>	8:15	Penny Davis, Jim Hessel
	11:00	Wayne and Denise Armstrong
<b>ALTAR ANGELS</b>	8:15	Susanne Beech, Peggy Dietz
	11:00	Linda Neblock, Vicki Valli
<b>USHER TEAMS</b>	8:15	Kleiner
	11:00	Meier
<b>COUNTERS</b>		Carolyn Cumming, Penny Davis
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	8:15	Cheryl Burck
	11:00	3 Cooks + 3 Stooges

***CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!  
HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!***

***Wishing everyone a Happy Easter!***

OUR STAFF	
Administrative Assistant	Zsuzsanna Jobbagy
Director of Music	Silas Daniel
Choir Director	Linda Aker
Handbell Choir Director	Melissa Daniel
Treasurer	Terry Owen
Sexton	Carson Faris


OFFICE HOURS:-  
Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY

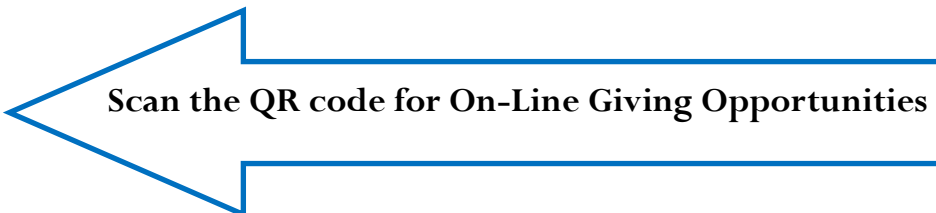


**FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS**

Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT. It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on [HYMNS](#) You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.

*Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly' and also connects with Bluetooth devices."*





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*Our vision:*

*“Joy is a spiritual community sharing the love of Christ in a challenging world.”*



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*Our mission is to share*

*the Good News of grace and love with  
all through worship, service, and fellowship.*