



# Our Redeemer

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## Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

9:30 a.m. Education Opening and 9:40 a.m. Christian Education

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**Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (ORLC)** is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. We are a traditional denomination of over 5700 churches that believe that the Bible is the inerrant Word of God and that Jesus died to atone for our sins. This Jesus also rose again bodily and has sent the Holy Spirit to call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify us. More information about the LCMS can be found at [www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org)

**GUESTS/VISITORS: We welcome you!** Please stop at our welcome center and get information about our Church, programs and ministries! If you have a question, we would consider it a joy to be a resource to you in your walk with Jesus.

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### WHEN CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is very important to us at Our Redeemer. We ask that you read the following questions and if your answer is "Yes" to each of them, then joyfully receive the Lord's gift in His Sacrament.

- *Have you confessed your sins, asking God to forgive and do you resolve, with His help, to amend your sinful ways?*
- *Do you believe that faith in Jesus Christ as Son of God is the only way to eternal life?*
- *Have you been baptized and confirmed (or received adult instruction)?*
- *Do you believe that with the bread and wine are Christ's true body and blood (received in the eating and drinking of the Lord's Supper)?*
- *Do you understand that in the Lord's Supper you receive forgiveness of your sins?*

If for some reason your answer is "No" to a question and you still wish to receive the Lord's Supper, you may talk to the service Captain or the Pastor for additional clarification.

### Prelude

### Easter Acclamation

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

### C He is risen, indeed! Alleluia

### Welcome & Announcements

### Sharing of the Peace

### Opening Hymn

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won LSB 490 sts. 1-4



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -  
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is  
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus  
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall

pall - me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!  
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,  
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,  
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell

From the grave will Christ re - call - me. Bright - er  
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is  
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I  
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will

scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

### Introit

*Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

**Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!**

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

**Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!**

Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

**Remember the wondrous works that he has done,**

his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

He remembers his covenant forever,  
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.




**G** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Kyrie

LSB 186



**G** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187



**P** Glory be to God on high: **G** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

**Children's Message**

*Mrs. Susan Shipman*

**First Reading**

*Acts 5:29-42*

29But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. 30The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. 31God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

33When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. 34But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. 35And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. 36For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. 37After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered.

38So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; 39but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, 40and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. 42And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**Psalm**

*Psalm 148; antiphon: v. 13*

1Praise the LORD!

**Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!**

2Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

**3Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!**

4Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

**5Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created.**

6And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

7Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,  
 8fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word!  
 9Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!  
 10Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!  
 11Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!  
 12Young men and maidens together, old men and children!  
 13Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted;  
 his majesty is above earth and heaven.  
 14He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints,  
 for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

**Epistle**

*1 Peter 1:3–9*

3Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 7so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 8Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, 9obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia**

*LSB 190*

Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

*John 20:19–31*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

19On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” 20When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” 22And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

24Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

26Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” 27Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” 28Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” 29Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

30Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; 31but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into  
heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life T of the world to come. Amen.

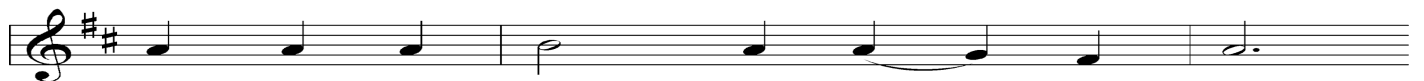
### Hymn of the Day

### The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

LSB 464



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 The strife is o'er, the battle done;  
2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst,  
3 The three sad days have quickly sped,



Now is the vic - tor's tri - umph won;  
But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.  
He ris - es from the dead.

*The Refrain is repeated after st. 5.*



Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
All glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!

4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.  
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!

5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free  
That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia! Refrain

Text: Symphonia Sirenum Selectarum, 1695, Köln; tr. Francis Pott, 1832-1909, alt. Tune: Giovanni P. da Palestrina, c. 1525-1594, adapt. Text and tune: Public domain

Sermon  
Offering

Offertory

LSB 192



**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

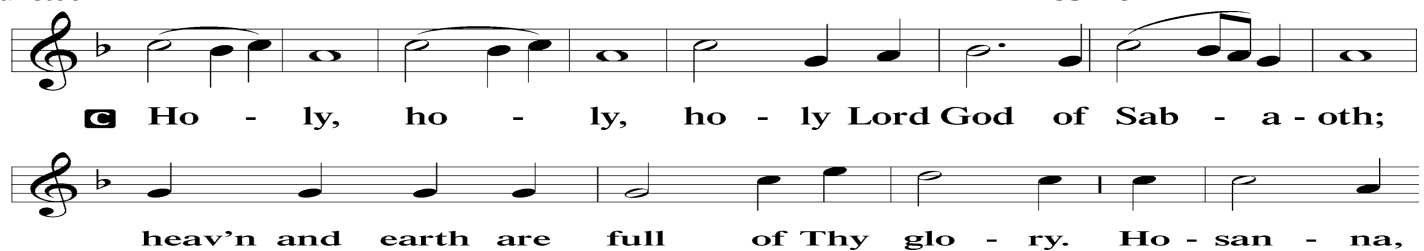
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

C 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.

C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

Pax Domini

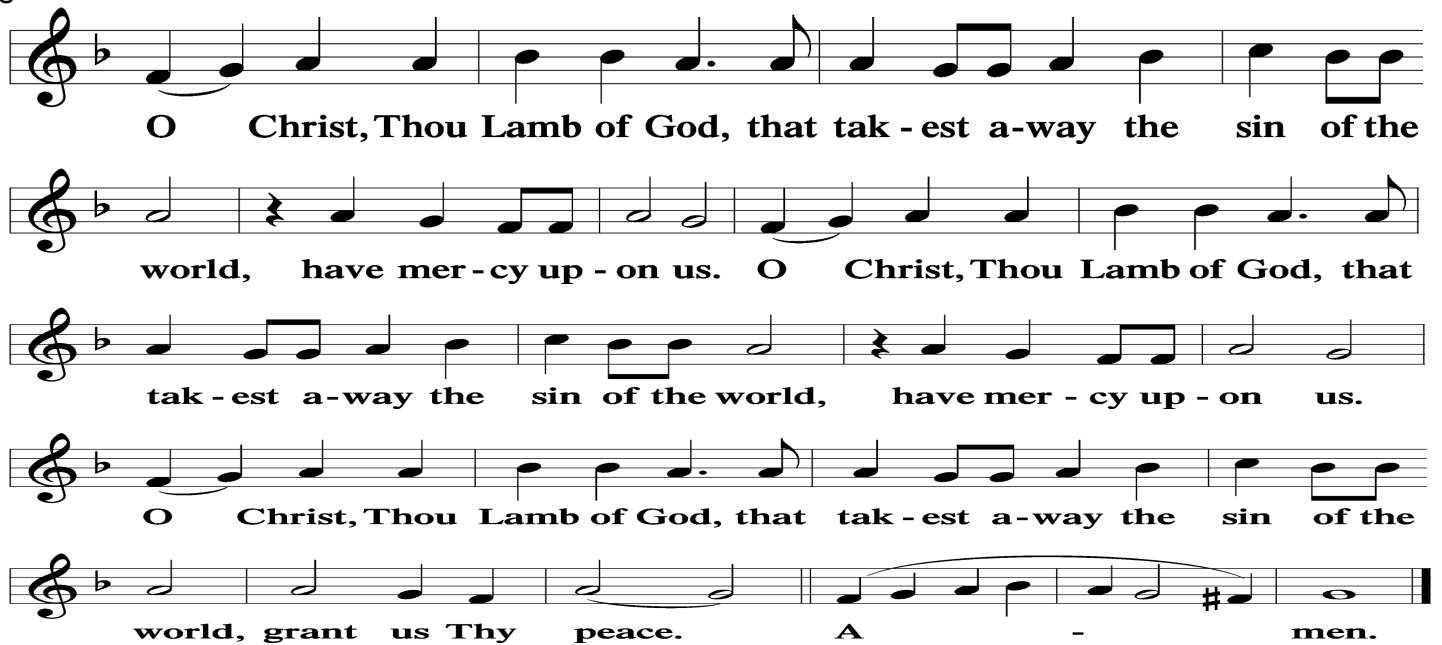
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



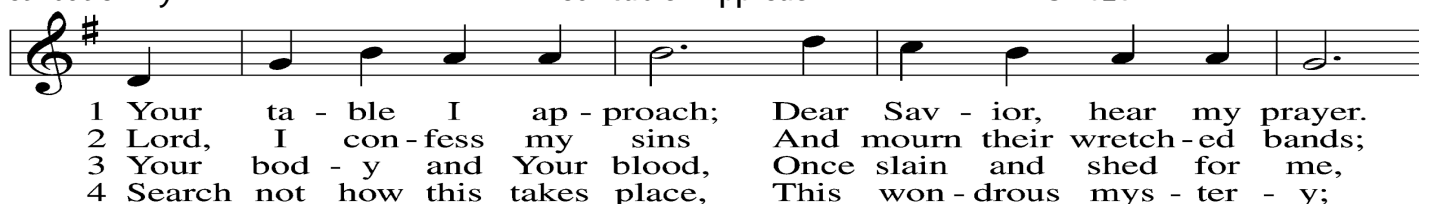
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
 world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
 tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn

Your Table I Approach

LSB 628



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.  
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;  
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,  
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.  
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.  
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.  
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

- 5 O grant, most blessed Lord, That earth and hell combined  
 May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.  
 6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night  
 For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

Text: Gerhard Wolter Molanus, 1633–1722; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt. Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois Text and tune: Public domain

**Distribution Hymn**

**O Sons and Daughters of the King**

**LSB 470**



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly  
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful  
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and  
 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!  
 wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.  
 speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."  
 came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord,  
 He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet;  
 Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
 7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
 8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith has constant been,  
 For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
 9 On this most holy day of days Be laud and jubilee and praise:  
 To God your hearts and voices raise. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt. Tune: Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615 Text and tune: Public domain

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.  
 Depart T in peace.  
 C Amen.

**Thanksgiving**

*LSB 200*

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
 C and His mercy endureth forever.  
 A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent

love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** A - men, a - men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

LSB 487



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain Of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst His pris - on  
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright With the day of splen - dor,  
4 For to - day a - mong His own Christ ap - peared, be - stow - ing  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Now we cry To our King im - mor - tal,  
God has brought His Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness,  
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun has ris - en;  
With the roy - al feast of feasts Comes its joy to ren - der;  
His deep peace, which ev - er - more Pass - es hu - man know - ing.  
Who, tri - um - phant, burst the bars Of the tomb's dark por - tal.  
Loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,  
All the win - ter of our sins, Long and dark, is fly - ing  
Comes to glad - den faith - ful hearts Which with true af - fec - tion  
Nei - ther could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark por - tal  
Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain Of tri - um - phant glad - ness!



Led them with un-moist-ened foot Through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
 From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
 Wel - come in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!  
 Nor the watch - ers nor the seal Hold Him as a mor - tal.  
 God has brought His Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt. Tune: Johann Horn, c. 1490–1547 Text and tune: Public domain

**Easter Acclamation**

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**C** He is risen, indeed! Alleluia

P Chosen in Christ in our Baptism,

**C** We now go, gifted to serve Him always.

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**SERVANTS TODAY – April 12, 2026**

	8:15am	11am
<b>Preacher</b>	Pastor Gary Williams	Pastor Gary Williams
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Taylor Baldwin	Taylor Baldwin
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	John Drake Joshua Massey	Howard Durrell Doug Ochner
<b>Captain</b>	Robert Holland	Jonathon Waid
<b>Usher</b>	Greg Murray	Ray Peterson
<b>Greeter</b>	Fay Murray	Gail Peterson
<b>Acolyte</b>	Eli Massey	Logan Durrell
<b>Reader</b>	Marsha Maurer	Susan Shipman
<b>Brookdale</b>	Dean Niehoff & Justin Hornsby	
<b>Flowers</b>	One vase is given to the glory of God by Stephanie Epple. One vase is given to the glory of God by Bobbie Grover in loving memory of her husband, Fisher Grover.	