

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)



“The Christians Blessings and benefits of the Resurrection of Christ”

**Order of Worship April 14, 2024 | 10 AM
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Welcome to God's House!

The Mission of Gloria Dei is Caring. Sharing. Serving. Reaching.

We strive to be the local church in the community of Northeast Minneapolis, who are here to help people come to KNOW Jesus, GROW in their faith and GO into the world equipped to SERVE others. GLORY TO GOD!

Today's Topic: Now that Christ is risen, let us go therefore and make disciples of all nations.

A special welcome to visitors and guests; we are pleased that you have joined us today! If you have no church family, and if we can be of any assistance to you, please speak with the Pastor after the service or via the church office. We pray you will feel God's love for you and be empowered to live as God's child this week. We look forward to seeing you again.

Is there something you'd like us to pray for today? If you have family members or friends who require our prayers, please use the prayer request cards found in each pew. They will be added to the Prayer list. You can hand your request to an usher before the service or during the offering. They will be given to the Pastor to be included in the prayers for today. **Other prayer requests can be made by contacting the church office at 612.781.1989.**

Children are welcome in worship!

The Lord's Supper is celebrated.

When we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ,

- we express the belief that Jesus is the Son of God and Son of Man;
- that Jesus is our Savior and only way for salvation;
- that Jesus offers us His Body and Blood in a mysterious yet real way;
- that Christ's sacrificial death grants the forgiveness of our sins;
- and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a more godly life and to amend with the help of the Holy Spirit, those areas not in conformity with God's will.

We declare these statements because it is our concern for people to not be hypocritical between their faith and celebrate the blessings of God's Table at the Altar. e.

You have heard of Jesus, but do you know him? Join us for Bible Study

- Wednesday, April 17 at 11 am for bible study, followed by fellowship (lead by Sandy Westling)
- Thursday, April 18 bible study and fellowship (lead by Katie Beth & Daniel Carlson)

Third Sunday after Easter

AS WE GATHER: The message of the resurrection is that no matter what happens to us, the Father will not let defeat and death be the end. He will raise us up just as he raised up Jesus from defeat to victory.

+ CONNECT +

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SOLO

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Daniel Carlson

INVOCATION

L: Our worship begins the way our lives in Christ begin in baptism: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS

L: Let us confess our sins to God our Heavenly Father who loves us.

C: **Merciful Father, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

SONG OF PRAISE "I know that My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461 vs. 1,2,4,8

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I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head!

He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives all glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.

He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint

He lives all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 4

Answer Me When I Call

To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. A Psalm of David.

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? *Selah*

But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.

Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. *Selah*

Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!" You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.

In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

EPISTLE READING

1 John 3:1-7

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:36-49

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to You, O Lord!

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

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 and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

"There is a Redeemer"

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There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Refrain: Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain. **Refrain**

When I stand in glory I will see His face, and
There I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place. **Refrain**

MESSAGE

Guest Pastor Ben Kangar

"The Christians Blessings and Benefits of the Resurrection of Christ"

CONFESSION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

+ EMPOWER +

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(Prayer response – P: Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.)

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

PROPER PREFACE

L: It is our duty and delight at all times and everywhere to give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have enlightened us by the working of the Holy Spirit. Grant that the Spirit, who has called and gathered us, would guide us in all things, that we be enabled to speak the Gospel to others and rejoice in sharing the gift of salvation that is our treasure. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, with You and the Holy Spirit, is one God, through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take this, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you, Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: 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.**

CLOSING HYMN

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

LSB 575

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My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus blood and righteousness
No merit of my own I claim but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

**Refrain: On Christ the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain

His oath, His covenant and blood support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone, Redeemed to stand before His throne!

Refrain

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

+ Silent Prayer +

POSTLUDE

+ WE DEPART TO SERVE +

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OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

4/14 Sun		Third Sunday of Easter
	10:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion, Guest Pastor Ben Kangar
	11:45 am	Royal Family Worship
	6:00 pm	NA
4/15 Mon	7:00 pm	Beginners AIAnon (downstairs)
	7:00 pm	AIAnon (upstairs)
4/16 Tues	5:00 pm	Gloria Dei Council Meeting
4/17 Wed	11:00 am	Bible Study w/Fellowship
4/18 Thurs	5:30 pm	Thursday Evening Bible Study
4/19 Fri	5:00 pm	Living Word Music Rehearsal
4/20 Sat	10:00 am	Living Word Worship & Fellowship
	4:00 pm	Living Word Board Meeting
	6:00 pm	Living Word Prayer Night
4/21 Sun		Fourth Sunday of Easter
	10:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion, Guest Pastor Aaron Kuehn
	11:45 am	Royal Family Worship
	6:00 pm	NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson
Reading: Katie Beth Carlson
Ushers: Julie Cross
Altar Care: Julie Cross
Counters: Sandy Westling and Tom Harris

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

April 14

"Breathe In, Breathe Out"

(Acts 2:42-47)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sanchez

The Holy Spirit breathes life into the Church and the Church breathes that life out to the world, with the love of Christ.

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

April 21

"More Than He Bargained For"

(Acts 3:6)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Whatever we ask of Jesus is probably too small, because Jesus provides more than what we expect.

On Sunday mornings, listen on 830 AM WCCO AM at 6:05 am, or 1110 AM, Omaha, at 6:30 am, or XM 170 Satellite Radio on Sundays at noon or listen anytime at www.lutheranhour.org

STEWARDSHIP: *Easter 3*

1 John 3:2 – "Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is." This is the essence of our sanctification: becoming like our Lord. As St. John notes, this will only be completed in the Resurrection, but in the meantime, we strive toward that goal because we want to walk in the footsteps of our Lord. By His grace we share His destiny in eternal life, and therefore we desire to share His life of service now.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

"So, what can we do? We must keep doing what we have always done. We must continue to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life. We must be sure our own church members, families, friends, and co-workers understand the value that God places on all human life." *Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. This week's episode is "**Alibi.**" A father tries to reconnect with his estranged son after the death of his mother. The worship service begins at 9:30 am with Rev. Vue Lee, Assistant to the President of the Minnesota South District – Missions, presenting a message titled "**Chosen**" based on **1 John 3:1-7**. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the "Twin Cities" tab.

BIRTHDAYS: None

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: Verlayne Sather – In Loving Memory of Jim

FLOWERS: Easter Garden

PRAYER CONCERNS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Gwen Johnson, Robert & Delores Kluwe, Larry Schlais and all our shut-ins

Wade Billmeyer home and recovering after March 27 surgery on a benign brain tumor. Rehab will follow. Prayers to our Heavenly Father to strengthen and comfort Wade with the power of healing.

Brett Sharbono (Verlayne Sather's nephew) in serious condition after suffering a heart attack on March 30. Prayers needed.

James Norman, Sr. (James' dad) Prayers for a successful surgery

Jim (Gwen Johnson's brother) upcoming tests, reoccurring issues due to his time in the Service

Pastor Jim Gullickson (Sandy Westling's friend) hospitalized after stroke. Paralyzed on left side, feeding tube (unable to swallow food). Prayers for recovery; he will need a lot of PT, OT and Speech Therapy.

John (Meridel and Patty's brother) transplanted kidney issues, continued prayers

Butch Morelli – Blocked carotid artery, surgery postponed; continued prayers

Amy Rich (Morelli's DnL) – ongoing treatment after successful surgery for breast cancer

Nonie Wakeman (Shirley Slagle's SnL) diagnosed with Lung Cancer

Karen (Karmon's sister) Recently diagnosed with cancer (Warren's wife)

Kurt Nowacki (Bruce & Julie Cross' Brother-in-Law) recently diagnosed with 'myopathy,' a degenerative muscle disease

Bruce (Wenda Schwoch's BiL has stage 4 prostate cancer and **Ashley** (Wenda's niece) continued prayers

John (Karmon/Meridel SnL) has been diagnosed with chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML), prayers for good results on continued cancer treatments

Roxie Johnson (Morelli's niece) heart issues, pacemaker implanted, continued prayers

Warren (Karmon's BnL) Receiving chemo and radiation for Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

Ty (Wade Billmeyer's Friend of a friend) continued prayers

Amy Price (Morelli's niece) – treatments for stage 4 cancer

For First Responders/Health Care Workers, including James Norman, an ICU nurse

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN DANGEROUS AREAS

Medicare Counseling: Tuesday, April 16, 12:30-4 pm. Get free help answering your Medicare questions with Senior LinkAge Line. Registration is required and can be done at <https://trellisconnects.org/get-help/medicare/>. Choose to make an in-person appointment, select St. Anthony Library and a date/time (time slots are 12:30, 1:45 or 3 p.m.). Or call Senior LinkAge Line at 800-333-2433. Registration closes four days before the date. Collaborators: Trellis, Minnesota Senior LinkAge Line. **St. Anthony Library**, 2941 Pentagon Drive, 612-543-6075

Go First! Ministry Conference – April 19 – 20

Pastors, parish professionals, educators and lay people are all invited to experience the **encouragement** and **inspiration** of this **FREE** two-day event. Break-out sessions will be led by people involved with ministries and are focused on one or more of the *Go First!* areas: Life Together, Soul Care, Intentional Outreach, or Collaboration.

As a side note, **Pastor Martin Cornes** will be leading a session on Friday afternoon, telling the story of the coming together of Gloria Dei and Royal family/Pastor Matthew. The conference will be held at Concordia Academy, 2400 Dale Street, Roseville. Any questions call 952.435.2550.

Waite Park Puzzle Exchange: Come to Waite Park, 1810 34th Avenue NE, for a free puzzle exchange. Please bring new or lightly-used puzzles to exchange. **Tuesday, April 23, 6-7 pm.** All ages welcome.

St. Anthony 60th Annual Pops Concert

The St. Anthony Village High School Concert Band & Jazz Band present the 60th Annual Pops Concert, "Pop Culture," **Friday and Saturday, April 26 & 27 at 7 pm.** The concert will feature music performed by the bands as well as skits and acts prepared by the students. This is truly a "fun for the whole family" event. Purchase reserved seats at savhspops.com. General admission is \$7 and available at the door. St. Anthony Village High School is located at 3303 33rd Avenue NE.

NE Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast

The Northeast Minneapolis Kiwanis Club will hold an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast **Sunday, April 28, 7:45 am-noon** at the Northeast Minneapolis Armory, 1097 Broadway Street NE. Presale tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for children. Tickets at the door are \$10 and \$6 (or connect with the Morelli's for pre-sale tickets).