



April 3-4, 2021, Easter



Pre-Service Devotion: "Then He [Jesus] said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things." (Luke 24:46-48)

Messiah Lutheran Church & School

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Today's Worship

Opening Hymn: 198

0	ld Testament ReadingIsaiah 25:6-9
	And in this mountain The LORD of hosts will make for all people A feast of choice pieces, A feast of wines on the lees, Of fat things full of marrow, Of well-refined wines on the lees.
7	And He will destroy on this mountain The surface of the covering cast over all people,
	And the veil that is spread over all nations.
	He will swallow up death forever,
	And the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces;
	The rebuke of His people
	He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken.
9	And it will be said in that day:
	"Behold, this is our God;
	We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord;
	We have waited for Him;
	We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation."
	Responsive Reading 1 Corinthians 15:51-54
Pa	astor: Behold, I tell you a mystery:

- People: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—
- Pastor: in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.
- People: For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

Pastor: For this corruptible must put on incorruption,

- People: and this mortal must put on immortality.
 - Pastor: So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality,

People: then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

Epistle Reading.....1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹ If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable. ²⁰ But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. ²³ But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. ²⁵ For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. ²⁶ The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

Response of the Congregation: TLH 187

Confession of Faith

(Taken from Martin Luther's Large Catechism, Second Article)

I believe that Jesus Christ is my Lord. The little word Lord means simply the same as redeemer. It means the One who has brought us from Satan to God, from death to life, from sin to righteousness, and who preserves us in the same. But all the points that follow in this article serve no other purpose than to explain how and by whom it was accomplished. They explain how much it cost Him and what He spent and risked so that He might win us and bring us under His dominion. It explains that He became man, was conceived and born without sin from the Holy Spirit and from the virgin Mary, so that He might overcome sin. Further, it explains that He suffered, died, and was buried so that He might make satisfaction for me and pay what I owe, not with silver or gold, but with His own precious blood. And He did this in order to become my Lord. He did none of these things for Himself, nor did He have any need for redemption. After that He rose again from the dead, swallowed up and devoured death and ascended into heaven and assumed the finally government at the Father's right hand. He did these things so that the devil and all powers must be subject to Him and lie at His feet until finally, at the Last Day, He will completely divide and separate us from the wicked world, the devil, death, sin, and such.

Hymn: 208:1-7

Witnesses of the Resurrection:

Mary Magdalene Mary, the mother of James Salome Other women Peter Two on the road to Emmaus

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Brian: Rachel

Brown; David

Brown: Eliiah

Buck; Andrew

Buck; Rebecca

Buck; Malaena

Buck; Michael

Buck; Samuel

Burns; Anne

Burns: Timothy

Burns; Alexander

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Carstensen; Virginia

Carstensen; Rebekah

Carstensen; George

Cavanaugh; David

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Clement; Mark

Clement; Marge

Culver; Maxine

Davis; Barbara

Davis; Blaine

Davis; Chad

Diede; Aaron

Diede: Debbie

Diede; Alexis

Diede: Hunter

Diede: Darlene

Dolezan; Kyle

Dow: Brandon

Dow; Brianne

Downs: Lance

Duehlmeier; John

Drews; Ida

Durst; Aaron

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Diede; Alan

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Sermon Text.....

Thurow: Theodore Thurow: Connie Thurow; Zach Tiefel: Jill Tiefel: Paul III Tiefel; Emily Tiefel; Paul Sr. Tiefel: Paul Jr. Tiefel; Eileen Torgerson; Andrew Torgerson; Kimberly Ude: John Ude; Jesse Ude: Leah Vana: Chris Vang; Sue Vaver: Brian Vaver: Anne Vaver; Josephine Visgar; Renee Walker: Sarah

Washburn: Matt Washburn; Marley Weiss; David Weis; Mark Wente: Vic Wente; Lois White; Matthew White: Nick White; Walt White; Rhonda White: Max Whitt: Dana Wilke; Nathaniel Wilke: Robert Williams; Alexandria Williams; Heath Williams; Holly Williams: Johanna Williams; Ruth Williams; Suraya Williams: Tom

Williams: Sharon Williamson: Michelle Wirth; Randy Wirth; Lori Wirth: Joscelvn Wirth; Trenton Wittorp; Charles Wittorp: Connie Wittorp; Levi Wittorp; Frank Wittorp: Luke Wittorp: Samuel Wolfe; Tim Wright: Donna Wright: Thomas Wright; Ruth Wry; Zack Wrv: Amv Wuerch; Scott Wuerch: Renee Yang: Pang

Zimmerman; Emily Zimmerman; Jason Zimmerman; Rebecca Zimmerman; Ryan

.....Mark 16:1-8

Hymn: 208:8-10

¹ Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. ² Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. ³And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" ⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek lesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. ⁷ But go, tell His disciples—and Peter—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." *So they went out guickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Sermon Theme: God prepares to send out the message "Jesus Lives!"

1. The First Easter, He opens the tomb, send angels as messengers to tell of the Resurrection and personalizes soul care.

2. This Easter, He likewise removes obstacles, sends us as messengers to tell of the Resurrection and personalizes soul care.

Preaching Today: Pastor Paul Tiefel

Hymn: 200:1-2, 5, 7-8

Offering

Offering Hymn 189

Confession & Absolution

(Taken from Martin Luther's Large Catechism, 5th Petition of the Lord's Prayer)

Pastor: "Forgive us our trespasses". There is here again great need for us to call upon God and to pray, "Dear Father, forgive us our trespasses."

- People: It is not as though He did not forgive sin without and even before our prayer.
- Pastor: He has given us the Gospel, in which is pure forgiveness before we prayed or ever thought about it.
- People: But the purpose of this prayer is that we may recognize and receive such forgiveness.
- Pastor: The flesh in which we daily live is of such a nature that it neither trusts nor believes God.
- People: It is ever active in evil lusts and devices, so that we sin daily in word and deed, by what we do and fail to do.
 - Pastor: By this the conscience is thrown into unrest, so that it is afraid of God's wrath and displeasure. So it loses the comfort and confidence derived from the Gospel.
- People: Therefore, it is always necessary that we run here and receive consolation to comfort the conscience again.
- Pastor: But this should serve God's purpose of breaking our pride and keeping us humble.
- People: God has reserved this right for Himself

Pastor: If anyone wants to boast of his godliness and despise others, that person is to think about himself and place this prayer before his eyes. He will find that he is no better than others.

- People: In God's presence all must tuck their tails and be glad that they can gain forgiveness.
- Pastor: Let no one think that as long as he lives here he can reach such a position that he will not need such forgiveness.

People: In short, if God does not forgive without stopping, we are lost.

- Pastor: It is, therefore, the intent of this petition that God would not regard our sins and hold up to us what we daily deserve.
- People: But we pray that He would deal graciously with us and forgive, as He has promised, and so grant us a joyful and confident conscience to stand before Him in prayer.
 - All: Such a confident and joyful heart can spring from nothing else than the certain knowledge of the forgiveness of sin.

Hymn: 732

Prayer Lord's Prayer Benediction

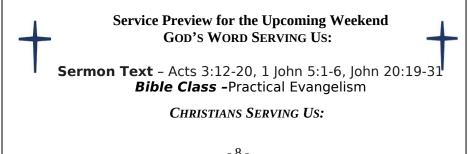
Hymn: 733

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Prayer for a Worthy Communion

Behold, I come, my Savior, upon Your most loving invitation. Let me find grace in Your eyes, Lover of life; for who am I that You call me so kindly? Though I were holier than the angels, I would not for that reason be worthy of this feast; for how could I, being of unclean lips, vile and base, be counted worthy unless You make me worthy? Therefore answer before I call, and prepare me by Your grace. You have said: "Him who comes to Me I will in no wise cast out"; therefore take my soul into Your keeping, according to Your great compassion. Remember, O Lord Jesus, that I have in my nature much that is evil and nothing that is Help me for Your mercy's sake. See how poor and aood. wretched I am; O Savior of the world, keep in remembrance Your faithfulness and satisfy my heart with grace. How gladly I would appear before You in perfect faith and with due reverence and fervent devotion! How am I to do this except by and through You, the Author and Finisher of my faith? Therefore grant what is wellpleasing to You. Graciously remove what displeases You, or at least cover it, I humbly pray, with the cloak of Your righteousness. Blessed is the soul that is acceptable to You. Open my eyes that I may see the wonders of Your institutions. Awaken my heart, remove from me all foreign thoughts, increase my hope, kindle my affections, render fervent my devotion, cleanse me of all uncleanness, and sanctify me wholly, that I may approach Your table in cheerful confidence, and with a pure mouth, holy heart, and heartfelt desire partake of Your Holy Supper unto the blessing and salvation of my soul. Amen

(adapted from Treasury of Prayers - Concordia, 1956, p. 53)



Saturday	4/10	6:30	pm:	Usher	Team	7
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Sunday 4/11 9:00 am: Usher Team 2

Dan Sydow Bryce Sydow

Levi Wittorp	
Gerald Oster	

Tom Joos

Charles Wittorp Jeremy Gurgel Sam Oster

Ethan Sydow	Noah Sydow
Adam Schmid	Jerry LeDuc
Steve Mielke	

Counters for the week following 4/11 – E Stacy Behlmer, Mark Hammond, Jon Oster

Thank you! This Week at Messiah

Masks required indoors by Local government mandate. Sunday services live-streamed/archived at <u>eauclairemessiah.com</u>.

Sun, 4/4	9:00 am	Easter Service (U	Communion is
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		e Class/Sunday Sch	nool/Young Adults
	11:00 am		
		Dove South	
	2:15 pm		
		Veterans	
Mon, 4/5	6:30 pm		
		Hymnal Committe	ee
Wed, 4/7	4:30 pm		
		Afternoon Catech	ism
	4:30 pm		
		Building Committ	ee
	8:00 pm		
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	Retreat	an	nouncement for
Fri, 4/9	5:00 pm		
		ILC Tour Choir Co	ncert
	7:30 pm		
		ILC Tour Choir Co	ncert
Sat, 4/10	Spring	Mission Festival	
	6:30 pm		
		Communion Servi	ice (Ushers #7)

7:45 pm	
	Bible Class/Sunday School
Sun, 4/11 Spring	Mission Festival
9:00 am	
	Communion Service (Ushers #2)
10:00 am	Dave West
10:15 am	Dove West
10.15 am	Bible Class/Sunday School/Young
Adults	
11:15 am	
	Special Voters' Meeting

Letter from Matthew Kranz: Dear brothers and sisters at Messiah Lutheran, After prayerful consideration, the Lord has led me to return your call to teach the fifth and sixth grade. Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths." Although we may not understand the Lord's plan for His children, we can remain confident that He is steadfastly leading us where we need to go. May you lay aside your worries and cares, for God cares for you. I pray He continues to bless and enrich the work at Messiah.

-In Christ, Matthew Kranz

A Special Voters' Meeting is being called for next Sunday, April 11 at 11:15 am right after Sunday School and Bible Class. Agenda includes:

- Membership matters
- Calling for a 5-6th grade teacher
- Election of delegates for his year's convention (June 24-27) in Eau Claire and Delegate Conference (June 7-8) in Fond du Lac.

Announcements

Bible Class/Sunday School: There is no Sunday School/Bible Class this weekend. Both will return next weekend.

Spring Mission Festival: will be held next weekend April 10-11. Prof. Mark Weis, who also served in the pastoral ministry, will be our guest speaker. A special offering envelope has been designated for the Cooperative Budget Plan which supports our joint synodical work both on the campus of Immanuel and in missions in the United States and overseas. The fact that Jesus died for the sins of all and conquered death sends every Christian on a mission to share the Gospel. We hope you will be able to join us.

ILC Tour Choir RSVP seating - The choir will present two concerts at Messiah on Friday, April 9, at 5 pm and 7:30 pm. We have limited seating due to social distancing requirements. There are still a few seats available at the 5:00 pm concert and quite a few available for the 7:30 pm concert. There are two ways to RSVP. The preferred method is by an online form at tinyurl.com/tc-rsvp-4-9. The alternate method is to call the church office phone at 715-834-2865. We will advise you if space has run out. Please note that masks are required.

Free Art Supplies: In anticipation of the building project the art closet for the school is being cleaned out. On a table in the narthex is a variety of miscellaneous art and craft supplies. Please feel free to take what you can use. Anything left by the return of school Tuesday April 6th will be disposed of.

Outreach

Blessing Bags for those in need: There are Blessing Bags available in the Narthex for families to take home and keep in their car to give out to the homeless or others they see in need. The intent is that when you see someone asking for money you can give them these bags with food, water and most importantly the Gospel as an alternative to cash. While we are building up our supply please limit to three bags per family at a time.

Little Church Libraries - We have three ready to put up. These little libraries have a variety of good Christian books free for the taking. If you would like one, please contact Josh Gurgel (715-379-7917) or Pastor Naumann (715-864-3465) or Pastor Tiefel (715-829-2000). There is a crew that will dig the hole and set everything up.

Around the CLC

ILC Dorm Supervisors: for 2021-22 year, needed. **The Immanuel Professorage Committee (IPC)** help needed. (For more details on these two items please see the bulletin of 3/27-28) **Messiah Shut-ins:** Ida Drews (2455 Sawgrass Place #213, Altoona), Marge Eckel (1431 Peterson Ave.), Shirley Johnson (2512 New Pine Dr. Altoona), Mae Noeldner (3706 Damon St. #17), Ellen Knuth (Care Partners, 887 Brian Lane, Altoona), Connie Larson (1500 S. Edgewater Dr.), Tom and Linda Larson (3134



Eldorado Blvd.), Betty Nolting (HeatherWood Assisted Living #213), Mavis Thelen (418 N. Barstow), Paul Tiefel, Sr. (2455 Sawgrass Rd #419, Altoona), Johanna Williams (2118 Augusta St.) and Shelly Williamson (Bellevue, IA).

CLC News: Kevin Schrader, a son of our congregation, has accepted the call to teach math and science at our sister congregation in Mankato, MN. <> Carrie Reim, finishing this school year as our 1-2 grade teacher, has been called to teach Kindergarten at our sister school in Hales Corners, WI. <> Pastor Dave Naumann returned the call to Redeemer of Sister Lakes, MI.

Fruits of Faith Last Week ~ March 27 & 28, 2021

Weekend Worship: (Sat. 97 - Sun. 156) 253 Bible Class: (Sat. 20 - Sun. 42) 62 Sunday School: (Sat. 4 -Sun. na) na Online: (Worship: 246, ILC Streaming: 7, Bible Class: 60) Young Adults: 20

Weekly Offering Information

Offering Summary	Home Budget	· · · ·
2021 Budget	\$778,000.00	\$200,000.00
YTD Budget	\$194,500.00	\$50,000.00
YTD Offerings	\$173,079.97	\$45,817.75
Weekly Need	\$15,511.00	\$3,953.00
Last Week (3/28)	\$21,786.75	\$3,490.75
Amount Still Needed	\$604,920.03	\$154,182.25

Building Fund		
\$450,000.00	Goal	
\$464,190.04	Received to Date	
\$3,675.85	Last Week (3/28)	

Given in memory of... Herb Aichele Virginia Tiefel Ed Trapp

30.00 Messiah Building Fund 5.85 Messiah Building Fund 470.00 Messiah Building Fund

Building Project (For a fuller explanation see the bulletin of 3/27-28)

Building Project: May 30th

Ground breaking Service

site

Members of Messiah will be neaded to prep for Royal. The more we can do, the more we can save. Contact Tom Beekman, Project Coordinator: thomasbeekman1961@gmail.com / cell phone 715-491-2025.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; April 5-10, '21.

Mon Isaiah 12 Easter won't ever be over, for Jesus is still alive after He absorbed all of God's justifiable anger against mankind. His self-sacrifice was an *excellent* thing to do, for He and He alone could bear the sin burden all the way into the grave and come out the other side alive and well. Hallelujah! **Isaiah 2:5-8** Jesus was bitten by death, and it killed Him. Some hours later, He took the bite out of death; Easter demonstrates that death is now mortal.

Tues John 20:1-18 It took a while for the truth to sink in (1-10), and angels helped Mary realize it (11-15). We note that Jesus did not turn His back on Mary but stood close by, ready to calm her distress and direct her toward His ascension, proof positive that He had completed His assignment on Earth.

Wed 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 The Christian/God's religion is not earth-born, but heaven-sent (19). God superseded the earth-born/sin factor via Jesus' resurrection, and applied it to us (20-23). That's wonderful all by itself, and there's still more to come (24-26). Meanwhile, let's enjoy our blessings!

Thurs Psalm 30 David had personal reasons for extolling the LORD, and so do we. Hasn't God lifted us up from the grave with Jesus (1-3)? We too rejoice as each day of grace dawns (4-5) –and when troubles come along (6-7), we bring them to Jesus, asking Him to be our Helper (8-10). David had his reasons for giving thanks to God—over and over—and so do we (11-12).

Fri Mark 16:1-8 Human weakness is like a big stone, but not too big for one of God's messengers to roll away, look us in the eye, and tell us face-to-face, "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, but I have good news: He has left the cemetery behind and is going about His business; you will see Him, as He promised."

Lord, embolden us to tell this good news as we go about our business.

Sat 1 Corinthians 15:51-57 Easter will be re-enacted on Judgment Day, when Jesus sees to it that our deadness gets overcome, our corruption reverts to wholesomeness, and our mortality dissolves into immortality.

How can this be, we wonder, since it's not the natural order of things. Well, God will reverse the natural order of things, all those factors which arise from and are bound with sin, for Jesus has pulled the stingers out of sin and death via His resurrection.

That straightens out everything that was

crooked.

Thanks be to God, who has given us this victory through our Lord Jesus

Christ! And that's not all, for He has also regenerated and reconditioned us for our daily, loving service to Him in our corner of His Kingdom.

Glory be to Jesus, now and forever after! Amen and Amen!