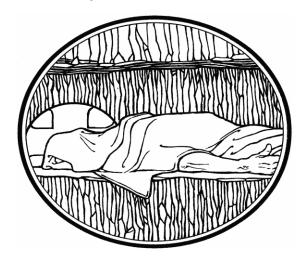
Easter Vigil Saturday, March 30th, 2024



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Greetings to all in the Name of the Risen Lord!

May our worship celebrate the joy and hope, peace and presence, of our Lord Jesus Christ, raised to life for us. We welcome all, especially our guests. If you do not have a church home, please consider Divine Shepherd. We would love to have you as part of our family. Please take a minute and sign our guest book.

A prayer before Worship

This is the day you have made, O Lord Jesus, a day of new life and eternal celebration! The stone is moved; death is defeated; heaven is open. As Your disciples first saw and believed Your victory over the tomb, so give us joy in the promise You made and keep for us: because You live, we live also! Amen.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession and gladness that, as our Lord says, He gives into our mouth not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord Jesus invites to His table those who trust His Words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.



Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the blood of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord.

(1 Cor 11:28 ESV) Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or hold a confession differing from that of the

Holy Scriptures, this congregation, and the Lutheran Church~Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to speak with Pastor Sturzenbecher.

Members and guests of DSLC and School we stream our services through Facebook Live. With this stream we do publish this to our Facebook page which means your face may end up on our Facebook page. If you are not comfortable with this please talk to Pastor to address this concern. -Thank you, The AV Team.

Service of Light

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Invitation

P Beloved in the Lord, on this most holy night, in which Our Lord Jesus passed over from death into life, we are gathered here in vigil and in prayer. This is the Passover of the Lord in which, by hearing His Word and celebrating His Sacraments, we share in His victory over death.

Collect

P Let us pray.

O God, You are like a refiner's fire, and Your Spirit enkindles the hearts of Your faithful people with the fire of Your love. Bless, we implore You, this new flame and those who keep this joyful Easter festival that, burning with desire for life with You, we may be found rightly prepared to share in the Feast of Light which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The cross is traced on the paschal candle.

P Christ Jesus, the same yesterday, today, and forever, the beginning and the ending,

The Greek letters Alpha and Omega are traced on the paschal candle.

P the Alpha and the Omega.

The year is traced on the paschal candle.

P His are time and eternity; His are the glory and dominion, now and forever.

P By His wounds we have healing both now and forever. Amen.

The paschal candle is lit.

- P May the light of Christ, who is risen in glory from the dead, scatter all the darkness of our hearts and minds.
- P Let us pray.

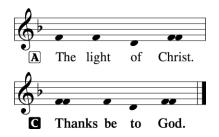
 Almighty and most merciful God, pour out on us Your abundant blessing that all who in true faith share this night in joyful celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead may be filled with Your heavenly benediction. Once we were in darkness, but now we

C Amen.

All light their candles from the paschal candle and follow the candle bearer in procession into the darkened church.

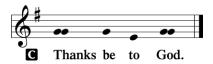
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are in the light, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

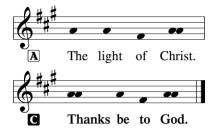


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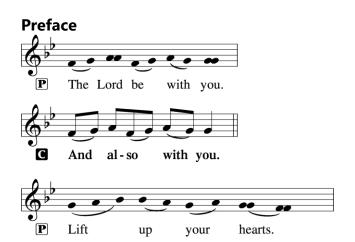


When all have processed, the bearer of the paschal candle lifts the paschal candle high.

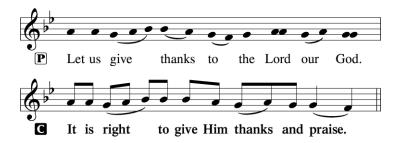


Exsultet

P Rejoice now, all you heav'nly choirs of angels; rejoice now, all creation; sound forth, trumpet of salvation, and proclaim the triumph of our King. Rejoice too, all the earth, in the radiance of the light now poured upon you and made brilliant by the brightness of the everlasting King; know that the ancient darkness has been forever banished. Rejoice, O Church of Christ, clothed in the brightness of this light; let all this house of God ring out with rejoicing, with the praises of all God's faithful people.







Easter Proclamation

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places, with all our heart and mind and voice, praise You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty everlasting God, and Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. For He is the very Paschal Lamb who offered Himself for the sin of the world, who has cleansed us by the shedding of His precious blood. This is the night when You brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt and led them through the Red Sea on dry ground. This is the night when all who believe in Christ are delivered from bondage to sin and are restored to life and immortality. This is the night when Christ, the Life, arose from the dead. The seal of the grave is broken and the morning of the new creation breaks forth out of night. Oh, how wonderful and beyond all telling is Your mercy toward us, O God, that to redeem a slave You gave Your Son. How holy is this night when all wickedness is put to flight and sin is washed away. How holy is this night when innocence is restored to the fallen and joy is given to those downcast. How blessed is the night when man is reconciled to God in Christ. Holy Father, accept now the evening sacrifices of our thanksgiving and praise. Let Christ, the true light and morning star, shine in our hearts, He who gives light to all creation, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Service of Readings

Introduction to Readings

P In this most holy night our Savior, Christ the Lord, broke the power of death and by His resurrection brought life and salvation to all creation. Let us praise the Lord, for He truly keeps His word. The sun of righteousness has dawned upon us who have sat in darkness and in the shadow of death.

The Creation: Genesis 1 & 2

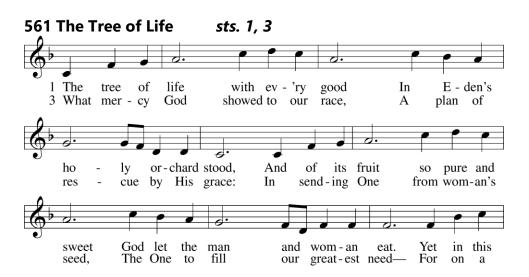
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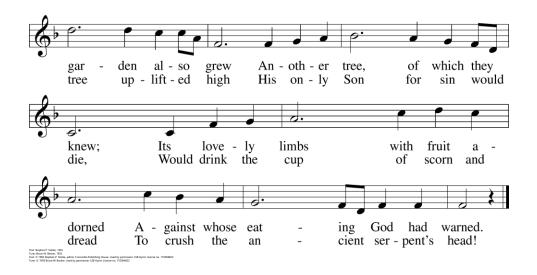
A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, through Your Word and Spirit You most wonderfully created all things, and through the Word made flesh You brought new life to fallen humanity. Grant that in Your mercy we may be conformed to the image of Him who shares fully in our humanity, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.





The Flood: Genesis 7, 8, & 9

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, You kill and You raise to life; You brought the flood upon a wicked and perverse generation, and yet You saved faithful Noah and his family in the ark. Keep us in safety in the ark of Christ's body, the Church, that Your mercy may come to its fullness and Your salvation be preached to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.





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Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea: Exodus 14 & 15

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.

O God, You once delivered Your people Israel from bondage under Pharaoh and led them by a pillar of cloud and fire through the sea to safety. Grant that we may so follow Christ that through the waters of Baptism we may daily die and rise with Him and walk in safety through the wilderness of this life until we see Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.



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Salvation Offered Freely to All: Isaiah 55

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your Word You created and sustain all things, and by Your Spirit You renew Your creation. Grant now the water of life to all who thirst for You that they may bring forth abundant fruit in Your glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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C Amen.



The Valley of Dry Bones: Ezekiel 37

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.

O God, Your Son came as the Son of Man to breathe His Word and Spirit upon the dry, dead bones of Adam's children. Grant that we may hear Your holy Word, receive Your Spirit, and rise each day from the death of sin to live in newness of life before You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.



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Job Confesses the Redeemer: Job 19

After the reading

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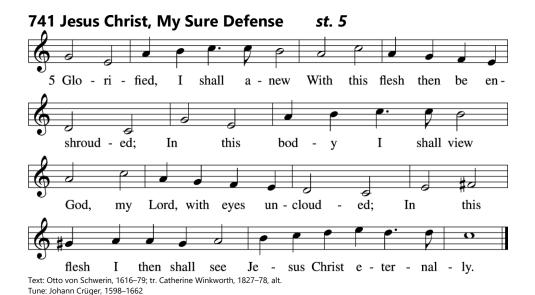
C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our great Redeemer, in the sacrifice of Your Son You put to death our wretched flesh and in His rising restored our life. Grant that we may always cling to Christ by faith in this life that at the last we may rejoice to stand in our own flesh and see You face to face; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

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The Fiery Furnace: Daniel 3

After the reading

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A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.

O God, Your Son protected faithful Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace of the king. Grant us protection in our time of testing that we would boldly confess Your name, reject all false worship, and live and die in confidence, knowing that we are safe in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of Prayer

Litany of the Resurrection

A O Lord,

C have mercy.

A O Christ,

- C have mercy.
- A O Lord,
- C have mercy.
- A Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
- C hear us.
- A Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who foretold Your passion saying, "The Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise again,"
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who destroyed death by dying, and by rising to life again brought life and immortality to light,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Whose resurrection was first announced by an angel to the women,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to Mary Magdalene and was worshiped by her,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who revealed Yourself to the two disciples on the Emmaus road and made Yourself known to them in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to the disciples, bestowing on them Your peace and Your Spirit,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who showed Your wounded hands and side to the apostle Thomas that he too might believe,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to seven disciples on the Sea of Tiberias, bringing a miraculous catch of fish,
- C have mercy on us.
- A Who appeared to Peter and to the Twelve, to over 500 disciples, to James and

to all the apostles, and to Paul on the Damascus road,

C have mercy on us.

A Who commissioned Your Church to make disciples of all nations by baptizing and teaching them,

C have mercy on us.

A By Your glorious resurrection from the dead,

C good Lord, deliver us.

A By Your victory over sin and death,

C good Lord, deliver us.

A By the majesty of Your risen body,

C good Lord, deliver us.

A We poor sinners implore You

C to hear us, Lord Jesus.

A That we may daily die and rise with You in our Baptism and walk in the freedom of Your forgiveness,

C grant us, good Lord.

A That we may set our minds on things above and not on earthly things, serving as we have been served by You,

C grant us, good Lord.

A That we may dwell with You forever in the new creation as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem, together with all the saints,

C grant us, good Lord.

A Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C have mercy on us.

A Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C have mercy on us.

A Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C grant us Your peace.

A O Lord,

C have mercy.

A O Christ,

C have mercy.

A O Lord,

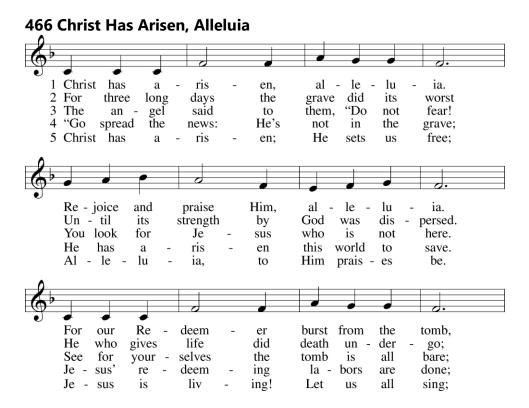
C have mercy. Amen.

Service of the Word

Easter Acclamation

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The altar candles may now be lighted from the paschal candle. Lights in the church are turned on, bells may be rung, the chancel may be decorated, and the altar may be prepared for the Sacrament while the congregation sings the Hymn of Praise.





P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection. Preserve in us the spirit of adoption which You have given so that, made alive in body and soul, we may serve You purely; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Holy Gospel Mark 16:1—8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

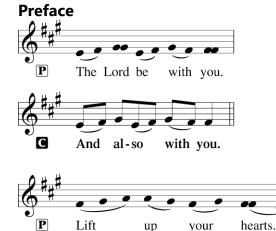
When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

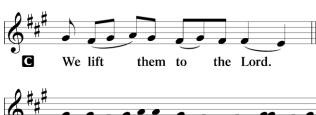
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

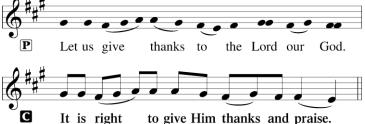
C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Service of the Sacrament, DS2











Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

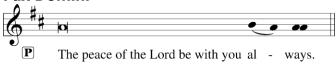
Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

P 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, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do 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. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."







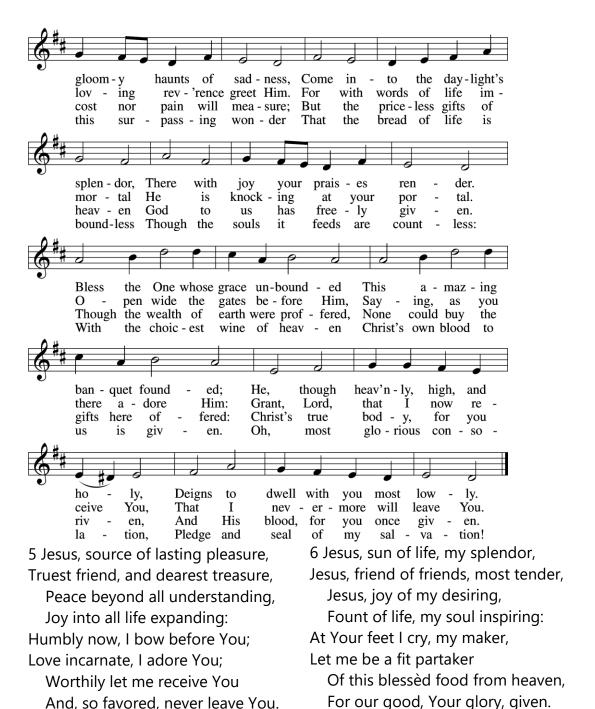




Distribution Hymns

636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness





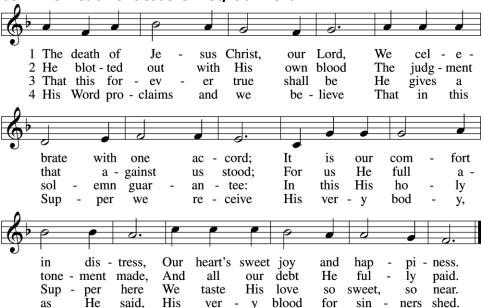
7 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish
And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness
And to shed Your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited,
Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me

As Your quest in heav'n receive me.

Text Johann Franck, 1618-77; (dt. 1, 4-5); tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978; (dt. 2-1, 6-8); tr. Catherine Winkson Tune: Johann Crüper, 1598-1662 Text (dt. 1, 4-5); th 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110004822



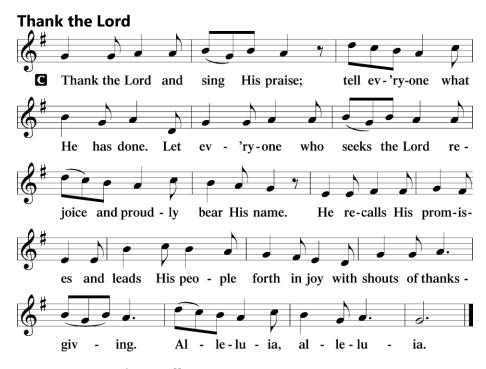


5 We dare not ask how this can be, But simply hold the mystery And trust this word where life begins: "Given and shed for all your sins."

7 But blest is each believing guest Who in these promises finds rest; For Jesus shall in love remain With all who here His grace obtain. 6 They who this word do not believe This food unworthily receive, Salvation here will never find— May we this warning keep in mind!

8 Help us sincerely to believe That we may worthily receive Your Supper and in You find rest. Amen! They who believe are blest.

Text (sts. 1-4, 6-8): Haquin Spegel, 1645–1714; (sts. 1-4, 6-8): tr. Olof Olsson, 1841–1900, alt; (st. 5): composite Tune: Sammlung alter und neuer. . . Melodien, 1742 Text and tune: Public domain



Post-Communion Collect

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.



Benediction



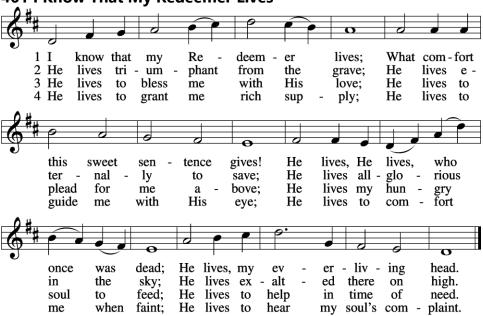
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you

and be gracious to you.

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







5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there. 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

8 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!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–99, abr Tune: attr. John C. Hatton, d. 1793 Text and tune: Public domain

Easter Lilies in honor/remembrance of:

- Jane and Dave Lundin Hank Lundin and Susan Warner
- Dale and Mary Heidelberger Our parents
- Lillian Halvorson Sons and grandson
- Ruth Sperlich Leonard, Larry, and Lisa
- Ardella Berg Ron and my family
- Earl and Janell McKinstry Parents and siblings
- Scott and Erin Norman Dan Curtis and Karen Norman
- Ron and Judy Uecker Parents, brother, and sister
- Pastor Randy and Vonda Sturzenbecher Eldon Berg and Florence Sturzenbecher

Please join us tomorrow morning as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord!

Sonrise Service: 6:30 am

Easter Breakfast: 7:30 am

Resurrection Service: 9:00 am

Divine Shepherd Calendar

Sunday, March 31st

Easter Sunday

6:30 am Sonrise Easter Service

7:30 am Easter Breakfast

9:00 am Resurrection Easter Service

Monday, April 1st

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, April 3rd

1:00 pm Quilting

5:30 pm Family Dinner

6:00 pm Sunday Wednesday School

6:00 pm Confirmation

7:15 pm Evening Prayer Service

Thursday, April 4th

9:30 am Ladies Bible Study 5:30 pm Adult Bell Choir 6:30 pm Adult Choir

Sunday, April 7th LWML Mite Sunday

8:00 am Divine Worship Service

9:15 am Coffee & Cookies

9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

10:30 am Divine Worship Service

The church calendar may also be found on our website at <u>divineshep.org</u>! Go to our website and scroll to the bottom.

Please ask the church secretary before using the Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall for events, meetings, or other activities that are not already approved.

Reservation/Event Request forms can be found on our website or in the church office. Thank you!

Important Dates

Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church & School Early Childhood Center Invites you to our 3rd Annual

For the Kids Legacy Banquet

Saturday April 13, 2024 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm



Location: Angel's Catering and Receptions 12340 Jenter Rd Summerset, SD 57718 Located behind Summerset Hotel and Suites

> Join us for a Fun Filled Evening of Entertainment Including Dinner, Silent Auction, Live Auction, Music, Speaker, Fellowship.

To Purchase Tickets (\$50.00 each) or for more information Call Dana at 605-280-1559 or Katie A. 605-791-1131

You can also purchase tickets in the church office! Contact Katie B. or stop by!

We need volunteers to help with spring cleaning for the church on **April 20th** starting at **9am**! We will be cleaning both the upstairs and downstairs. Many hands make light work so we can get done quicker! Weather permitting, we will also clean the outside of the building. If you have questions, please contact our trustee, Trent Jensen 720-934-6236

Kirk Funeral Home will be having a Funeral Planning Seminar on **April 27th** from 10-11 am at Divine Shepherd. More information can be found on the posted flyer!



Thank You

Support our youth while you:

outfit your kitchen, purchase a Mother's Day gift, purchase a wedding or shower gift, or purchase a birthday gift,

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40% of your purchase goes back to
our Youth!



Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church Youth Group

Prayer Requests

To those who mourn: Family of Julie Dodge Fisk, Becky LeFebre, Mel and Bobbi Geidel, and Family of Shelly, Dawn Ristau and Family, Cindy Fredrich and Family **To those sick or suffering:** Gunnar Grass, Barry Severson (Friend of Fawna Geigle family), LeAnne Dyer, Connie Hedeen, Linda Eisenbraun, Jim (Relative of Danni Reher), Ashley (Friend of Dana Reiprich), Dana Reiprich, Dave and Sherry Rice (Peggy Severson's sister and brother in law), Rob Horner (Cindy Fredrich's brother), Marna Wolf (Max Hill's mother), Deana Taylor (Relative of Kathy Swan), Wally and Marlene Christian (Erin Norman's grandparents), Jim Roling, Emily (Bryon and Karen Pistora's granddaughter), Colleen Phillips, June (Andrew Wagner's Grandmother) and all struggling with depression, mental illness, and other concerns.

Our shut-ins: Jerry Nelson, Alvin & Doris Senger, Laura Felkey, and Candice Thorson.

Our Ministries & Missionaries: The ministry of Evergreen Lutheran on the Pine Ridge Reservation, Barb Rebenstisch in Taiwan, Rev. Dan Jastram & family in Asia, Rev. Samuel Bobby & family in Latvia, Rev. Jonah Domenichelli & family in Germany,

The Ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church in Belle Fourche, and Divine Shepherd Schools.

All those serving in the military: Jaden Weber, Captain Josh Puckett (Bruce & Kathy Swan's nephew), Major Christopher Swain (Juliet Swain's Son), Col. Robert Grass (Son of Rob Grass), Eric Tobin, Tyson Freeman (Dale & Mary Heidelberger Grandson), Matt Steiner (Marilyn Suckut's Grandson), Nicholas Carver (Leota Quam's grandson), Chris Brandt (Doug & Cheryl's son), Joshua Schulz (Susan's son), Cody Horton (Mel & Bobbi Geidel Grandson), Mike Reiprich, and Brad Halvorson (Nate's son)

Prayer Chain Coordinator-

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