

April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday



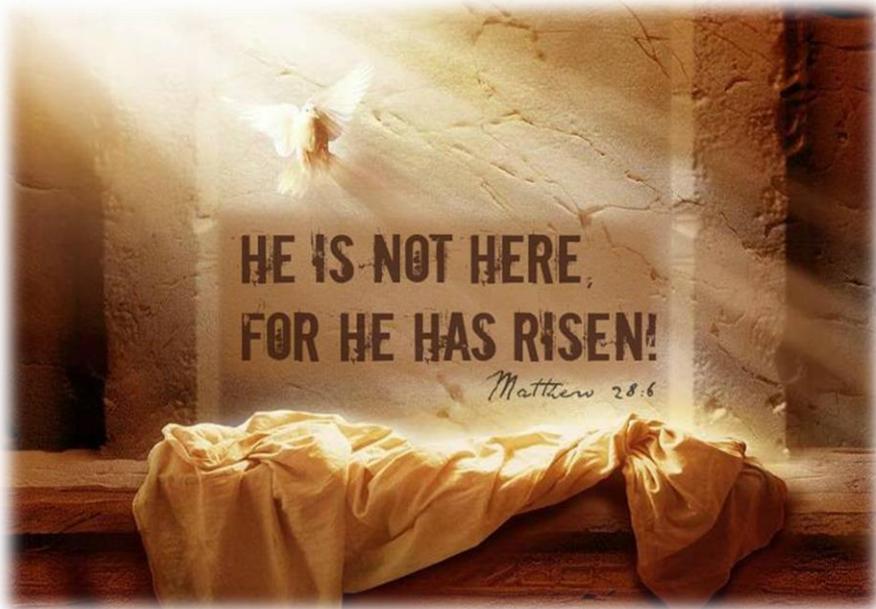
**"WE PREACH CHRIST CRUCIFIED..."**

~ 1 CORINTHIANS 1:23

**LUTHER MEMORIAL**  
CHURCH & SCHOOL K-8

134 21st Street  
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

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9:00am Sunday School/Bible Class ♦ 10:00am Worship Service

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Altar cloths up front are white, reminding us of the glory of Christ that is now ours!

Welcome to all! This week's focus:

**"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."**

1 Corinthians 1:18

Today's service liturgy (how God serves us) and hymns: **As follows**

**202:1,2,4 ♦ 198 ♦ 193 ♦ 194:1,3 ♦ 201:1,4,5 ♦ 189 ♦ 200:5-8**

Pre-service Psalm 16 (Front, Red Hymnal pg. 125) ~ Opening Bells / Prayer

Our worship service centers and glorifies our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please turn off your cell phones to avoid distraction.

## GOOD MORNING & WELCOME TO ALL!

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**Today's Hymns/Service:** *As printed on bulletin/projector*

*Opening Bells / Children Chimes #341*

### **OPENING HYMN: #202:1,2,4 [Red Hymnal]**

**"Welcome, happy morning!" Age to age shall say;**

**Hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!"**

**Lo, the Dead is living, God forevermore!**

**Him, their true Creator, all His works adore.**

**"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say;**

**Hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!"**

**Maker and Redeemer, Life and Health of all,**

**Thou from heaven beholding human nature's fall,**

**Of the Father's Godhead, true and only Son.**

**Manhood to deliver manhood didst put on.**

**"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say;**

**Hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!"**

**Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain;**

**All that now is fallen raise to life again.**

**Show Thy face in brightness, bid the nations see;**

**Bring again our daylight; day returns with Thee.**

**"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say;**

**Hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!"**

### **THE INVOCATION**

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**PASTOR:** Christ is risen!

**CONGREGATION:** He is risen indeed!

**PASTOR:** We begin our celebration of Christ's resurrection in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### **CONGREGATION SINGS: (#198:1 – Red Hymnal)**

**He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus the Lord:**

**He opened Death's prison, the Incarnate Word.**

**Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song,**

**And earth, sea, and mountain, the praises prolong.**

**PASTOR:** The joy of celebrating our Lord's Resurrection continues.

This joy forms the basis for an entirely new life of hope; the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ reorders our earthly lives around an entirely new and different set of priorities. Instead of living for self which dooms us, we live for Him Who says, "Because I live, you shall live also."

**CONGREGATION SINGS: (#198:3 – Red Hymnal)**

Oh, where is thy sting, Death? We fear thee no more;  
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.  
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;  
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own!

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS ~ PSALM 118:1-7; 13-17**

*We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

P: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: Let Israel say: "His love endures forever."

**C: Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever."**

P: Let those who fear the LORD say:

**C: "His love endures forever."**

P: In my anguish I cried to the LORD,

**C: And he answered by setting me free.**

P: The LORD is with me;

**C: I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?**

P: The LORD is with me;

**C: He is my helper. I will look in triumph on my enemies.**

P: I was pushed back and about to fall,

**C: But the LORD helped me.**

P: The LORD is my strength and my song;

**C: He has become my salvation.**

P: Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:

**C: "The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"**

P: The LORD's right hand is lifted high;

**C: The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"**

P: I will not die but live,

**ALL: And will proclaim what the LORD has done! ALLELUIA!**

**CONGREGATION SINGS: (#198:4 – Red Hymnal)**

Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;  
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice!  
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain,  
Who sitteth in glory and ever shall reign!

***FROM GOLGOTHA TO GLORY!***

*CHRIST'S PASSION HISTORY READING*

According to the Four Gospels (New International Version)

From Orville Daniel's "A Harmony of the Gospels" 1987 Baker Book House

## **LESSON 1 ~ Events near the Tomb** *(Sunday morning)*

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There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

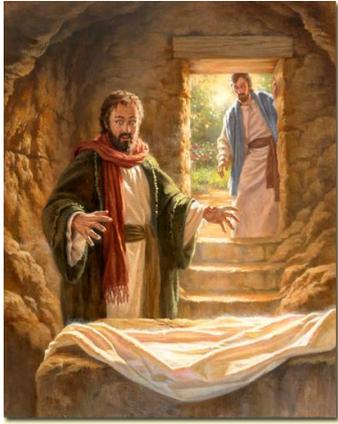
While it was still dark, Mary of Magdala went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved (John), and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

Just after sunrise, the women took the spices they had prepared and went on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, “Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?” But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.



In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Do not be afraid. You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ‘The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ Come and see the place where they laid him. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: and Peter, ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee.’ There you will see him, just as he told you. Now I have told you.” Then they remember his words. Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

Meanwhile, Peter and John started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter, who was behind him,



arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. Finally John, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead). Then the disciples went back to their homes, wondering what had happened.

Soon after, Mary returned and stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him."

At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. "Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"



While the other women were on their way to tell the disciples about the angels' message, Jesus suddenly met them.

“Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

When they came back from the tomb, Mary of Magdala went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her. The women all told these things to the Eleven and to all the others who had followed him and who were morning and weeping. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense.

Meanwhile, while all the women were on their way to tell the disciples, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, telling them, “You are to say, ‘His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.’ If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble.” So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

### **HYMN: #193 [Red Hymnal]**

- 1. Christ the Lord is risen today,  
Sons of men and angels say.  
Raise your joys and triumphs high;  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply.**
- 2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;  
Christ has burst the gates of hell.  
Death in vain forbids His rise;  
Christ has opened Paradise.**
- 3. Lives again our glorious King;  
Where, O Death, is now thy sting?  
Once He died our souls to save;  
Where thy victory, O Grave?**
- 4. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!  
Praise to Thee by both be given!  
Thee we greet triumphant now:  
Hail, the Resurrection Thou!**

## **LESSON 2 ~ Road to Emmaus & back** *(Sunday afternoon)*

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Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened there in these days?" "What things?" he asked.



"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."

He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"



They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

**HYMN: #194:1,3 [Red Hymnal]**

**"Abide with us, the day is waning,"  
Thus prayed the two while on the way;  
We read that Thou, O Lord, remaining,  
Didst all their doubts and fears allay.  
Incline Thine ear, Thou King of Grace,  
When, praying thus, we see Thy face.**

**Abide with us; with heavenly gladness  
Illumine, Lord, our darkest day;  
And when we weep in pain and sadness,  
Be Thou our Solace, Strength, and Stay.  
Tell of Thy woe, Thy victory won,  
When Thou didst pray: "Thy will be done."**

**LESSON 3 ~ Jesus appears to disciples (Sunday evening)**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were still talking about this, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus himself stood among them as they were eating; and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and

frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

When he had said this, he rebuked them for their lack of faith and their stubborn refusal to believe those who had seen him after he had risen. After he said this, he showed them his hands and feet and side. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. When the other disciples told him that they had seen the Lord, he declared, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out



your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

## OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH ~ 2 Peter 3:9-10, 13-15, 18

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**ALL:** "The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with us, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare..."

"But in keeping with Jesus' promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness. Bearing in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote with the wisdom that God gave him... that we may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen."

### **HYMN: #201:1,4,5 [Red Hymnal]**

Jesus lives! The victory's won! Death no longer can appal me;  
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave Christ will recall me.  
Brighter scenes will then commence; This shall be my confidence.

Jesus lives! I know full well, Naught from me His love shall sever;  
Life nor death nor powers of hell, Part me now from Christ forever.  
God will be a sure Defense; This shall be my confidence.

Jesus lives! and now is death, But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm my trembling breath, When I pass its gloomy portal.  
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense, Jesus is my confidence!

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*Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28*

### **1 Corinthians 1:18-21** NKJV

**18** For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**19** For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent." **20** Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? **21** For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

Theme: **"What is the REAL foolishness this April 1<sup>st</sup>?"**

## **MEDITATION HYMN: #189 [Red Hymnal]**

**He is arisen! Glorious word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord;  
The gates of heaven are open. My Jesus did triumphant die,  
And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's direst weapon.  
Oh, hear, What cheer! Christ victorious, Riseth glorious,  
Life He giveth-- He was dead, but see, He liveth!**

### **OUR OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD**

*"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7*

**OFFERING: "I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH" FROM THE MESSIAH**

### **SPECIAL PRAYERS ~ EASTER PRAYER ~ LORD'S PRAYER**

### **BENEDICTION**

*God's blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

**ALL: (speaks) Amen!**

## **CLOSING HYMN: #200:1,6-8 [Red Hymnal]**

**ALL:** 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.

**WOMEN:** He lives, my kind, wise, heavenly 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.

**MEN:** 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.

**ALL:** 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!" Amen!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Welcome to all! Guests, please sign our guest book in entryway and we hope you will come and join us again! Questions? (920) 922-7421*

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE:** *"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

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**Apr 1 Sun** Usher Team #3: Steve S, Don E, Dave M, Eric W, Austin W  
 Organist: Rhoda E / Counters: Alan K, Bob C  
**8:30-9:30a** Easter Breakfast  
**9a NO** Sunday School / Bible Class  
**10a** Easter/Resurrection Sunday Worship (No Communion)  
*Pastor Neal's last official Sunday service*  
**1p** Radichel moving truck

**Apr 2 Mon** **LMS No School**

**Apr 8 Sun** Usher Team #4: Wayne W, Dave B, Bob C, Ron H, Alan K, Larry S  
 Organist: Rhoda E / Counters: Alan K, Bob C  
**9a** Sunday School / Bible Class  
**10a** Sunday Worship with Holy Communion

**UPCOMING DATES:** →

**May 20 Sun 10a** Confirmation/Graduation (Pastor Neal will conduct)

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**DELEGATE NEEDED:** We are looking for a voter to represent our congregation June 6-7<sup>th</sup> at our Great Lakes Delegate Conference in Hales Corners. As well as June 23-26<sup>th</sup> in Eau Claire at our bi-annual synodical convention. Please speak to council for further information. Thanks!

**CLC Call News** – The Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has declined the call to Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac WI.

**IN OUR PRAYERS** *If you are hospitalized, please let pastor know if you would like a visit!*

**Currently Hospitalized:** None that the pastor or elders are aware of at this time.

**Shut-ins:** Joan DeClue (448 Tompkins St), Dan Immel (Woodlands), Ed Jacobs (868 W Scott St), Gloria Jacobs (Woodlands), Doris Kaiser (Woodlands), Jeanette Keipe (675 S. Main St.), John Lenburg (769 Mustang Ln), Marion Mach (Lutheran Home), Lois "Jean" Martin (Woodlands), Jim Steffen (At home).

**FRUITS OF FAITH – Past TWO Weeks\*** *Bible Class 25 Worship 106*

**LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH**

**Budgetary** (\$3397 budgeted per week)

**\$3498** LM General Budget

**Non-Budgetary**

**\$10** LM School

**\$** LM Student Aid Fund

**\$30** LM Debt Retirement

**\$20** LM Maintenance & Improvements

**\$4** LM Local Missions/Outreach

**\$50** LM Other: RRF (Building Fund)

Memorial (Designated): ILC Tour Choir (\$450)

**CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION**

**Budgetary** (\$635 needed per week)

**\$387** CLC General Budget

**Non-Budgetary**

**\$10** ILC Student Aid Fund

**\$25** ILC Building Fund

**\$** ILC Improvement Fund

**\$45** Mission Development-(MDF)

**\$15/0** Project Kinship/Orphanage

**\$505** Misc. (Radichel family gift)

