

**THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER**  
**April 14, 2024**  
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**OPENING HYMN**      *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*      **p. 700**

**+ INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION +**      **LSB 151**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Cong.: Amen.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,.

**Cong.: who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**Cong.: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Pastor: Since we are gather to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.

**Cong.: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins and lead us to everlasting life. Amen**

**+ INTROIT +**      **Ps. 30:1-5; antiphon: Ps. 16:11**

Pastor: In your presence there is fullness of joy;

**Cong: at your right hand are pleasures for evermore.**

Pastor: I will extol you O LORD, for you have drawn me up

**Cong.: and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

Pastor: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,

**Cong.: and you have healed me.**

Pastor: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;

**Cong.:** you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

Pastor: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,

**Cong:** and give thanks to his holy name.

Pastor: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

**Cong:** Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**Cong.:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will forever. Amen.

+ KYRIE +

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Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Cong.:** LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the LORD.

**Cong.:** LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the LORD.

**Cong.:** LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the LORD.

**Cong.:** LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious LORD.

**Cong.:** Amen.

+HYMN OF PRAISE+ (sung) *“This is the Feast of Victory”*

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**Refrain:**

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.

**Refrain:**

2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,  
and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

**Refrain:**

3. Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation.

4. Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

**Refrain:**

5. For the Lamb who was slain

Has begun His reign. Alleluia!

**Final Refrain:**

This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**+ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY +**

**Pastor:** The LORD be with you.

**Cong.:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** O God, through the humiliation of Your son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Cong.:** Amen.

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Acts 3:11-21**

<sup>11</sup> While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>12</sup> When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. <sup>14</sup> You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. <sup>15</sup> You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. <sup>16</sup> By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see. <sup>17</sup> "Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. <sup>18</sup> But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup> Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, <sup>20</sup> and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. <sup>21</sup> Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets.

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the LORD.

**Cong.:** Thanks be to God.

## THE EPISTLE

### 1John 3:1-7

**3** See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. **2** Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears,<sup>[a]</sup> we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. **3** All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. **4** Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. **5** But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. **6** No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him. **7** Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

**Cong.: Thanks be to God!**

+ALLELUIA & VERSE+

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*Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia, alleluia*

+ THE HOLY GOSPEL +

Luke 24:36-49

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St Luke the 24th chapter.

**Cong.: Glory to You, O Lord.**

**36** While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” **37** They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. **38** He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? **39** 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.” **40** When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. **41** And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” **42** They gave him a piece of broiled fish, **43** and he took it and ate it in their presence. **44** He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” **45** Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. **46** He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, **47** and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. **48** You are witnesses of these things. **49** I am going to send you what my Father has



**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit  
from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and up-hold me  
with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**+ THE LORD'S PRAYER +**

**LSB 162**

**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 debts  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power and the glory,  
forever. Amen**

**+THE BENEDICTION+  
Cong.: Amen.**

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**THE CLOSING HYMN**

***"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"***

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**Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.**

**Cong.: Thanks be to God.**



**Rev. Curt Adams  
Organist: Lillian Boettcher**

**Happy Birthday**

Rev. Lee Stisser 15<sup>th</sup>  
Richard Wormald 15<sup>th</sup>  
Lois Vanderbeck 16<sup>th</sup>  
Sarah Biebl 19<sup>th</sup>  
Sandy Otto 20<sup>th</sup>

**Happy Anniversary**

Richard & Barbara Wormald 16<sup>th</sup> (53  
yrs)  
Larry & Carol Eichert 17<sup>th</sup> (36 yrs)

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT  
FAITH:**

**Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am Divine Service  
9:15 am Bible Study  
9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Divine Service

11:30 am Coffee Bites

**Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 pm Grief Share

**Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**

3:30 pm Bible Study  
5:00 pm Divine Service  
6:30 pm Bible Study

**Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 am Elders Meeting

**Looking Ahead**

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Grief Share 6:30 pm  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> Men's Group Breakfast  
8:00 am  
April 24<sup>th</sup> Women of Faith 9:00 am