



# **St. Luke's Lutheran Church**



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*Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.*

**Sunday, April 4, 2021 – 11:00 AM**

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**EASTER SUNDAY**

**(Series B)**

## **WELCOME**

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, [office@stlukesmanhattan.org](mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org), or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. In accordance with city ordinance #7488, masks are to be worn whenever you are in the church building. *(Exceptions are made for individuals who have a medical condition, verified by a doctor, for which wearing a face covering is not advisable.)* We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

## **AS WE GATHER**

Death is our common enemy. But God has chosen to do battle with our enemy and has given to all the same victory won by Jesus Christ. The veil of death cast over all is now removed in Christ Jesus. Death and all its terror and power has been answered by the resurrection of Jesus once for all. We participate in this victory in the banquet our Lord has prepared, first in the Holy Communion of His crucified and risen flesh and blood, and then in the marriage feast of the Lamb, which has no end. Though for now we wait by faith for Him to bring to consummation all things, we wait as a people saved by His blood and marked for everlasting life. So let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation!

## **IMAGE ON THE COVER**

He has risen; He is not here. *Mark 16:6*

## **PRELUDE**

*(Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.)*

## **✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠**

*Stand*

**PRESERVICE SONG** - "Celebrate Jesus" Philippians 4:4

1, 3, 5      Celebrate Jesus, celebrate  
                 Celebrate Jesus, celebrate  
                 Celebrate Jesus, celebrate  
                 Celebrate Jesus, celebrate

2, 4            He is risen, He is risen  
                 And He lives forevermore  
                 He is risen, He is risen  
                 Come on and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord

6, 7            He is risen, He is risen  
                 And He lives forevermore  
                 He is risen, He is risen  
                 Come on and celebrate, come on and celebrate  
                 Come on and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord

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*The sign of the cross ✝ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**INVOCATION**

**P**      In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C**      Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P** Merciful and loving Father, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by our sinful actions and our failure to do the good You desire. We pray You to grant to the penitent absolution and peace, that freed from the burden of guilt they enjoy the gift of a clear conscience.

**C** **Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. As we delight in God's forgiving love, let us be reconciled to one another and share the peace of the Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty God, You promised that the veil of death would be lifted and that we would gather upon the high mountain of Your presence to feast in the victory over sin and the grave. Grant to our hearts the rich joy of the resurrection, that, believing Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, might look to the resurrection of our body and to the gift of life everlasting; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **NICENE CREED**

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both  
the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

**OPENING SONG** – “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” Matthew 28:6

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia  
Raise Your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia  
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply, Alleluia

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia  
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia  
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia  
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia

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## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

*(He will swallow up death forever.)*

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,  
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

<sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain  
the covering that is cast over all peoples,  
the veil that is spread over all nations.

<sup>8</sup>He will swallow up death forever;  
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,  
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,  
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.  
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7, Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

**L** Christ has risen from the dead.

**C** **[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.**

**L** He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

**C** **he has put all things under his feet.**

## EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

*(Christ appeared to His disciples and to more than five hundred witnesses.)*

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA

2 Timothy 1:10b

**P** Alleluia. Christ Jesus abolished death

**C** and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

*(He is risen; He is not here!)*

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

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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.” <sup>8</sup>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.**

*Sit*

## LAMB'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

## VOTUM

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**G** **Amen.**

## OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. **Offering plates** are available in the narthex as you exit.
2. Please **send** your offerings to  
St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
4801 Anderson Avenue  
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:  
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer**  
Sign up through the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: John 20:1 – “Now on the first day of the week ...”** All is made new by the Resurrection of Jesus! Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament's Saturday Sabbath to the Lord's Day of the New Testament. For the Lord has made all things new. He has begun a new week for a new creation in rising from the dead as the New Adam. We are also made new in Him – a new heart, a new life, new desires, and a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our Risen Lord's grace. Especially after the sort of year we've had since last Easter. It's sure good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh.

*Stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Gracious Father, help us believe that because Jesus lives, we, too, are made alive by faith and shall live with Him eternally.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lift our vision from sin and death that we not despair nor grow weary of well-doing as we await the completion of all that our Lord began, and give us the will and desire to use our days to proclaim His victory to the ends of the earth.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Give Your blessing to Your Church and to her ministers, that we be called to faith and repentance, rejoice in Your merciful goodness, and be kept in the faith through the Means of Grace until the day when we are raised to everlasting life with Christ.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Give courage and discernment to the missionaries far and near and to those planting new congregations that they abound in the hope of the resurrection and that those who hear this Gospel be granted the Holy Spirit and faith.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Consider those whose lives are burdened by afflictions of the body, mind, or spirit, and who seek Your healing and strength. Deliver them according to Your merciful will, and sustain them in faith until their troubles and trials give way to the blessings of the resurrection and eternal life. [Hear us especially for *names* and those named in our hearts.]

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Hear Your people on behalf of our nation and all our leaders, on behalf of all peoples and nations, for peace, justice, and freedom, and for the will to work together to relieve suffering and deliver the oppressed.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Guide us in the good use of the time, skills, abilities, and resources You provide so that we may support those in our care and serve the poor and those in need with the treasures of the Kingdom. Accept from our lips the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and from our hands the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Remembering those who came to the tomb in sorrow and returned to their homes with the fear of the Lord in their hearts, receive our thanksgiving for the faithful who have gone before us. Give Your comfort to those who grieve the loss of those they love, [*especially . . .*], and bring us with them into Your nearer presence, where sorrow and tears are no more.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

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

## LORD'S 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.**

## COMMUNION SONG - "Create in Me a Clean Heart" Psalm 51:10-12

1 Make me know you, O Lord  
In the depths of my soul  
Purify me and I will be clean  
Wash me whiter than snow

2, 4, 5 Create in me a clean heart, O God  
And renew a right spirit within me  
Create in me a clean heart, O God  
And renew a right spirit within me

3 The sacrifices acceptable to You  
O Lord, are a broken spirit  
A broken heart, a contrite heart  
O God, You will not despise

6 And renew a right spirit within me  
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## 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.”

*Sit*

### **The Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in 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.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

## DISTRIBUTION

*The pastor and those who assist him will receive the body and blood of Christ first. They will then distribute the elements to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.*

*During the COVID-19 regulations, continuous communion will be practiced. Please maintain Social Distancing while waiting in line to receive communion.*

## DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“The Old Rugged Cross” Galatians 6:14 (version 1)

- 1            On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross  
              The emblem of suff’ring and shame  
              And I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
              For a world of lost sinners was slain
  
- 2, 4        So I’ll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay  
6, 7        down  
              I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a  
              crown
  
- 3            O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world  
              Has a wondrous attraction for me  
              For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above  
              To bear it to dark Calvary
  
- 5            To the old rugged cross I will ever be true  
              Its shame and reproach gladly bear  
              Then He’ll call me some day to my home far away  
              Where His glory forever I’ll share

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“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

1, 2      Jesus lover of my soul  
Jesus I will never let You go  
You’ve taken me from the miry clay  
You set my feet upon the rock and now I know  
I love You, I need You  
Though my world may fall I’ll never let You go  
My Savior, my closest friend  
I will worship You until the very end

3            I love You, I need You  
Though my world may fall I’ll never let You go  
My Savior, my closest friend  
I will worship You until the very end

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“**Make Me a Servant**” John 13:14-16

1, 2, 3      Make me a servant, humble and meek  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak  
And may the prayer of my heart always be  
Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today

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*Stand*

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, You have given us grace this day to hear in our ears the Good News of our Lord's resurrection and to receive with our lips His crucified and risen body and blood. Grant that by this Holy Communion we be sustained in faith, equipped to fulfill the good purpose of Your love in our daily lives, and be kept holy and blameless until He comes to bring us into the place of everlasting light and life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICTION

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

## **CLOSING SONG - "My Redeemer Lives"**

1, 3            I know He rescued my soul  
                  His blood covered my sin  
                  I believe, I believe  
                  My shame He's taken away  
                  My pain is healed in His name  
                  I believe, I believe  
                  I'll raise a banner  
                  'Cause my Lord has conquered the grave

2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9    My Redeemer lives  
                          My Redeemer lives  
                          My Redeemer lives  
                          My Redeemer lives

6                You lift my burden  
                      And I rise with You  
                      I'm dancing on this mountaintop  
                      To see Your kingdom come

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