

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ALLELUIA

Divine Worship. 9:30am

Sunday School. . . . 10:40am

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EASTER THREE

April 18, 2021

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 118 (TLH Pg. 148)

Prayers: 58 (TLH Pg. 108); **77** (TLH Pg. 109)

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 201 189 188 48

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 201 - "Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"

THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE

(TLH Pg.5ff.)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution, -- "Amen."

The Introit... The Gloria Patri (Pg. 6) ...The Kyrie (Pg. 7).

Though I be by sin o'ertaken, Though I lie in helplessness, Though I be by friends forsaken And must suffer sore distress, Though I be despised, contemned, And by all the world condemned, Though the dark grave yawn before me, Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.

Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me salvation, On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall arise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death itself is transitory; I shall lift my head in glory.

The Salutation (Pg. 9) ...The Collect -- "Amen."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:

ACTS 4:8-12

⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: ⁹If we this day are judged for a good deed *done* to a helpless man, by what means he has been made well, ¹⁰let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole.

HERE I STAND!

This Sunday marks the 500th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther's brave declaration at the Diet of Worms (that is, the official meeting of church and civil authorities in the city of Worms, Germany). Luther was confronted with grave personal danger because of his defense of the true Gospel of salvation by grace alone, through faith alone, based on Scripture alone. It is good for us to offer sincere thanks to God for this heritage of grace, which has been preserved for us down to our own generation. For some details on this important moment in Gospel history, see tinyurl.com/luther-diet.

CLC CALL NEWS

Mrs. Debra Mayhew has accepted the call of Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN. • Mrs. Beth Sandeen has been called to serve as ILC's part-time on-campus mentor in 2021-2022. • Messiah Lutheran School in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, has called Teacher Matthew Kranz to be 5-6 grade teacher. Teacher Kranz currently teaches at Immanuel Lutheran School in Mankato, MN. • Mrs. Carrie Reim has been called to teach with primary emphasis on kindergarten at Messiah, Hales Corners, WI.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2021		
<i>The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Calvary to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. The amount given to 'Missions' on your church envelope goes to this pledge. In the event that our offerings fall short of our pledge, the difference will be taken from the Calvary General Fund. In the event that our offerings exceed our pledge, additional funds will be placed in the General Fund.**</i>		
Amount Pledged 2021	Received as of 4/11/2021	Amount Remaining
\$5000.00	\$1,930.00	\$3,070.00

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO		
AUGUST 2023 GOAL	RECEIVED 4/11	SEPTEMBER 2023 GOAL
\$25.00	\$50.00	\$15.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 4/11/2021				
General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions/CBP	ILC SAF	CLCI Sem Student
\$1,135.00	\$35.00	\$155.00	\$20.00	\$50.00
Offerings Total: \$1,395.00				

* Scripture quotations (unless otherwise noted) are taken from the Holy Bible, New King James Version, © 1982 by Thomas Nelson Publishers. All rights reserved.

HOME DEVOTIONS FOR APRIL 19-24, 2021

Monday - Acts 4:5-12 In slouched the jackals and hyenas, wary of an ambush (5-7); God doesn't ambush but helps the helpless get on their feet (8-9). The word on the street: "Jesus has done the miracle of healing the lame man, Jesus is none other than heaven's provider of salvation, and you have put yourselves in mortal jeopardy by rejecting and murdering Him. Jesus alone provides access to the throne of grace, so you need to reset your compass!" Note: Every word is important, so that's how we read God's Word.

Tuesday - Luke 24:36-49 The last time the disciples had laid eyes on Jesus, He was a bloody corpse (so it's understandable that they were spooked), but after He calmed them down (36-38), He provided impressive proof that He was their old Friend, alive and well – and hungry (39-43). What did it all mean? Jesus explained that since He had fulfilled His mission on Earth, His disciples were prepared to share His victory with their friends, relatives, etc., (47-49).

Wednesday - 1 John 1:1-2:2 Jesus used John's ears, eyes, hands, and heart to get him prepared to publicize all that Jesus had entrusted to him: the Truth, the whole Truth, and nothing but the Truth (1:1-5). That starts, of course, with the truth about our unholy selves (8), which God counters with the truth about holy Jesus, the divine solution for humanity's sins (2:1-2).

Thursday - Psalm 118 We join the psalmist's hour of worship (1-4), confident that the Lord can handle all humanity (5-14) and our own limitations (15-18). We share his Christian confession (19-20), recognizing Jesus in vv. 22-24, and close with our prayer and praises. *Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!*

Friday - Matthew 28:11-15 Some of those soldiers who had been floored by the angel (v.4) stumbled into town to report *all the things that had happened* in the early morning out at the cemetery. They knew the truth, but the ruling Sanhedrin bribed them to bear false witness against the disciples and against the Easter angel, too. Doing so put the soldiers into jeopardy, of course, but the Sanhedrin had money to solve that problem. How tragic that people will believe human lies rather than God's Truth about Easter (15)!

Saturday - Acts 23:11-35 It seems that Paul needed some cheering up (11), so Jesus obliged just as things were turning nasty. Paul, God's messenger of the Truth, had enemies so rabid that they vowed to kill him before breakfast. Of course, it boomeranged, for Jesus had other plans (12-22). In the protection of federal troops, Paul was ushered out of danger via a two-day trip to the Roman provincial capital, where he was kept safe for a fair trial. [We are left wondering how many Jews broke their oath rather than starve.]



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Easter Three Sunday April 18, 2021

ILC VISITORS' DAY 2021

Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI will host an in-person High School Visitors Day on Friday, April 30, 2021, starting at 9:00 am. Please register students and chaperones at www.ilc.edu Friday, April 23.

Due to special restrictions this year, we have made the following changes to our typical Visitors Day: 1) We are inviting students grades 8 and up attend this year to limit the number of visitors on campus. Parents and chaperones are still welcome to attend Visitors Day. 2) Dormitory housing will not be available to students this year, so we ask that you arrange for your own housing if needed. 3) Please wear masks inside buildings and follow social distancing guidelines.

A full schedule of events is available at www.ilc.edu . We may need to make changes to the schedule as April 30 approaches due to changing circumstances.

BIBLE STUDY – SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY

Please note that there is no Bible Study this morning due to our Voters Meeting. Our Harmony of the Gospels Bible Study will resume next Sunday, April 25th at the regular time.

Wednesday Bible Study will resume on Wednesday April 21st at 7pm and we will resume our study of the Psalms. There will be no Bible Study on Wednesday April 28th as Pastor will be out of town. Wednesday Bible Study will resume again on Wednesday May 5th at 7pm.

VOTERS OF CALVARY MEETING

After worship this morning the Voters of Calvary will gather to discuss the work here in Marquette. It is expected that the Voters of Calvary will officially confirm and receive Linda Niemi into membership after being informally received by the Council on Palm Sunday. In addition, the Voters will be discussing the coming quarter and a potential church picnic onsite in August.

¹¹This is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.' ¹²Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." *

EPISTLE LESSON:

1 JOHN 1:1-2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life—²the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us—³that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. ⁴And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.

⁵This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. *

THE GRADUAL -- (A Prayer for the Sunday read responsively)

Pastor: Christ has abolished death,

Congregation: He has brought life and immortality to light.

Pastor: Christ has risen from the dead.

Congregation: The Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Pastor: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

Congregation: He has put all things under His feet. Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

LUKE 24:36-49

³⁶ Now as they said these things, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and said to them, "Peace to you." ³⁷ But they were terrified and frightened, and supposed they had seen a spirit. ³⁸ And He said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do doubts arise in your hearts?" ³⁹ Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have."

⁴⁰ When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. ⁴¹ But while they still did not believe for joy, and marveled, He said to them, "Have you any food here?" ⁴² So they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb. ⁴³ And He took it and ate in their presence.

[cf. also Acts 1:3-8]

⁴⁴ Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me."

⁴⁵ And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures.

⁴⁶ Then He 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, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ And you are witnesses of these things.

[cf. also Mark 16:19; Acts 1:9]

⁴⁹ "Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES CREED (TLH PG. 12)

HYMN: 189 - "He is Arisen! Glorious Word!"

THE SERMON:

LUKE 24:8-12

⁸ And they remembered His words. ⁹ Then they returned from the tomb and told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them, who told these things to the apostles. ¹¹ And their words seemed to them like idle tales, and they did not believe them.

¹² But Peter arose and ran to the tomb; and stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying by themselves; and he departed, marveling to himself at what had happened.

IS IT TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?

What was the Resurrection to the Women?

What was the Resurrection to the Disciples?

THE OFFERINGS

In order to minimize contact with the ushers, you are asked to please leave your offerings in the basket on the table in the fellowship hall either before or after worship.

THE OFFERING HYMN:

(TLH 200:3-5)

He lives to bless me with His love, He lives to plead for me above. He lives my hungry soul to feed, He lives to help in time of need.

He lives to grant me rich supply, He lives to guide me with His eye, He lives to comfort me when faint, He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

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.

PRAYER(S)...THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 188 - "Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!"

THE COLLECT: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen."

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen, Amen, Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 48 – "How Blest Are They Who Hear God's Word"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 18, 2021

THIS MORNING

Sunday School: New Testament #43 – Jesus Appears to Disciples in Galilee

Bible Study: No Bible Study (Voters Meeting)

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Bible Study – Messianic Psalms 7pm

Sunday: Worship - 9:30am; Sunday School 10:45; Bible Study 10:50am

USHERS

The Ushers are asked to dismiss the congregation from the back in an effort to reduce the 'bottleneck' in the fellowship hall.

HYMN HOW BLEST ARE THEY WHO HEAR GOD'S WORD

1. How blest are they who hear God's Word And keep and heed what they have heard! They wisdom daily gather; Their light shines brighter day by day, And while they tread life's weary way, They have the oil of gladness To soothe their pain and sadness.

2. God's Word a treasure is to me, Through sorrow's night my sun shall be, The shield of faith in battle. The Father's hand hath written there My title as His child and heir, "The kingdom's thine forever." That promise faileth never.

3. Today I was my Savior's guest, My soul was here so richly blest, The Bread of Life receiving. Oh, may thereby my faith prevail, So that its fruits shall never fail Till my account is given Before the throne in heaven! Amen.

HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 118

¹ Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!* For His mercy *endures* forever. ² Let Israel now say, "His mercy *endures* forever." ³ Let the house of Aaron now say, "His mercy *endures* forever." ⁴ Let those who fear the LORD now say, "His mercy *endures* forever."

⁵ I called on the LORD in distress; The LORD answered me *and set me* in a broad place. ⁶ The LORD *is* on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me? ⁷ The LORD is for me among those who help me; Therefore I shall see *my desire* on those who hate me. ⁸ *It is* better to trust in the LORD Than to put confidence in man. ⁹ *It is* better to trust in the LORD Than to put confidence in princes.

¹⁰ All nations surrounded me, But in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. ¹¹ They surrounded me, Yes, they surrounded me; But in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. ¹² They surrounded me like bees; They were quenched like a fire of thorns; For in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. ¹³ You pushed me violently, that I might fall, But the LORD helped me. ¹⁴ The LORD *is* my strength and song, And He has become my salvation.

¹⁵ The voice of rejoicing and salvation *is* in the tents of the righteous; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly. ¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD is exalted; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly. ¹⁷ I shall not die, but live, And declare the works of the LORD. ¹⁸ The LORD has chastened me severely, But He has not given me over to death.

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, *And* I will praise the LORD. ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter.

²¹ I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation.

²² The stone *which* the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. ²³ This was the LORD's doing; *It is* marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This *is* the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵ Save now, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity. ²⁶ Blessed *is* he who comes in the name of the LORD! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD. ²⁷ God *is* the LORD, And He has given us light; Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar. ²⁸ You *are* my God, and I will praise You; *You are* my God, I will exalt You.

²⁹ Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!* For His mercy *endures* forever.

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR FAITH

Almighty and ever-living God, who has given to those who believe great and precious promises, grant that we may believe without doubt in Your Son Jesus Christ, so that our faith in Your sight may never be reprov'd. Here us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FOR AN ANSWER TO PRAYER

Almighty God, who has promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in Your Son's name, we pray that you would mercifully incline your ears to us who have now made our prayers and supplications to You; and grant that those things which we have asked according to Your will may be obtained to the relief of our needs and to set forth your Glory, through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord. Amen.

HYMN JESUS LIVES! THE VICTORY'S WON

1. 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.
2. Jesus lives! To Him the throne High o'er heaven and earth is given. I shall go where He is gone, Live and reign with Him in heaven. God is faithful. Doubtings, hence! This shall be my confidence.
3. Jesus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Jesus living, Pure in heart and act abide, Praise to Him and glory giving. Freely God doth aid dispense; This shall be my confidence.
4. 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.
5. 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! Amen.

HYMN HE IS ARISEN! GLORIOUS WORD!

1. 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!

THE OFFERING HYMN

He lives to bless me with His love, He lives to plead for me above. He lives my hungry soul to feed, He lives to help in time of need.

He lives to grant me rich supply, He lives to guide me with His eye, He lives to comfort me when faint, He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

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.

HYMN HALLELUJAH! JESUS LIVES!

1. Hallelujah! Jesus Lives! He is now the Living One; From the gloomy house of death Forth the Conqueror has gone, Bright Forerunner to the skies Of His people, yet to rise.
2. Jesus lives! Let all rejoice; Praise Him, ransomed ones of earth. Praise Him in a nobler song, Cherubim of heavenly birth. Praise the Victor-King, whose sway Sin and death and hell obey.
3. Jesus lives! Why weepst thou? Why that sad and frequent sigh? He who died our Brother here Lives our Brother still on high, Lives forever to bestow Blessings on His Church below.
4. Jesus lives! And thus, my soul, Life eternal waits for thee; Joined to Him, thy living Head, Where He is, thou, too, shalt be; With Himself, at His right hand, Victor over death shalt stand.
5. Jesus lives! To Him my heart Draws with ever new delight. Earthly vanities, depart, Hinder not my heavenward flight. Let this spirit ever rise To its magnet in the skies.
6. Hallelujah, angels, sing! Join us in our hymn of praise, Let your chorus swell the strain Which our feebler voices raise: Glory to our God above And on earth His peace and love! Amen.