3rd Sunday of Easter

<u>WELCOME</u>, Dear Guest! We are happy to have you join us for worship today. May the Lord speak to your heart and supply help for your life as we listen to God's Word. Please sign the Guest Book in the narthex or fill out a Welcome Card to place in the offering boxes and come back soon!

PRAYER AS WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP: Inside front cover of LSB

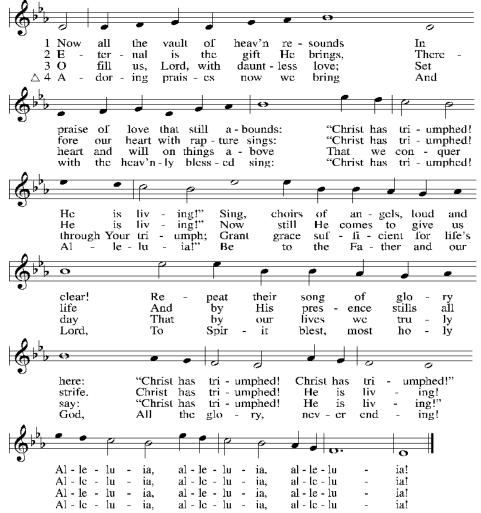
Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Now the Green Blade Rises"

(arr. Powell)

465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



Stand

- \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- \mathbf{P} If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- 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.
- **C** Amen.

Introit (sung by the Cantor)

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,*

and all your saints shall | bless you!

- One generation shall commend your works to an- other,* and shall declare your mighty acts.
- On the glorious splendor of your | majesty,* and on your wondrous works, I will | meditate.
- They shall speak of the might of your | awesome deeds,* and I will declare your | greatness.
- They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant | goodness* and shall sing aloud of your | righteousness.
- The LORD is good to all,*
 - and his mercy is over all that he has made.
- **C** Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- All your works shall give thanks to you, | O LORD,*

and all your saints shall | bless you!





Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sit Choir (8:30) "Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom" (French/Behnke)

First Reading

Acts 9:1–22

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Gradual (sung by the Cantor)

Christ has risen | from the dead.*

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

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

he has put all things un- der his feet.

Epistle

Revelation 5:1–14

¹Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" ³And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. ⁵And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God

from every tribe and language and people and nation,

¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,

and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia & Verse



C Alleluia. Alleluia. (sung as printed above)

Cantor: We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 21:1–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." ¹⁹(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit 482 This Joyful Eastertide

Sermon

Stand Nicene Creed

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

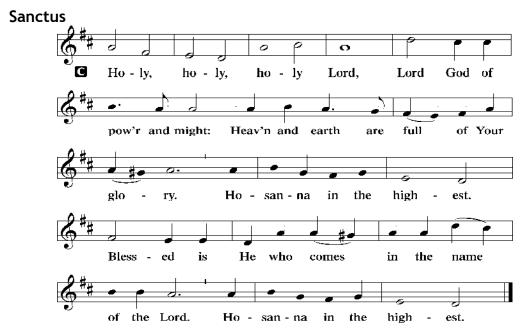
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven 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.

Prayer of the Church

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 to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: −8-



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

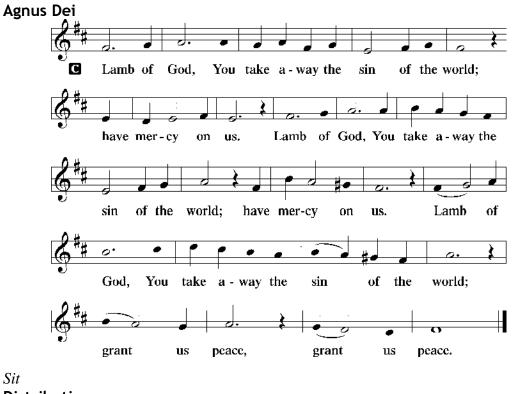
Lord's Prayer

- **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. -9-

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** Amen.



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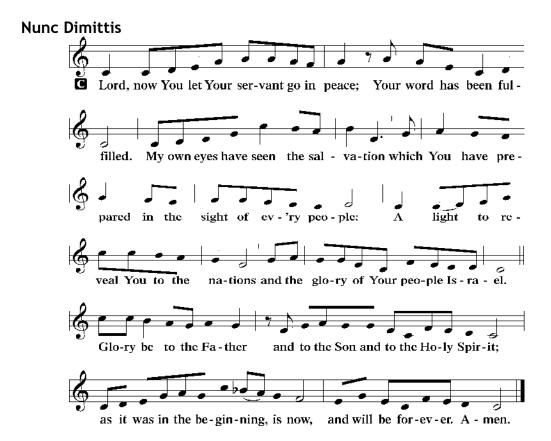
Choir ((8:30)		"Lord, I Come To Your Table"	(Weston)
Special A	Ausic	(11:00)	"Communion Meditation"	(arr. Albrecht)

Stand

The Dismissal

■ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

▶ Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom 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.

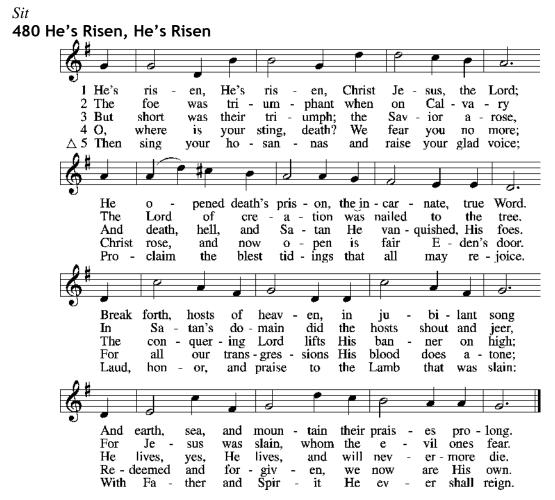
C Amen.

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.



Silent Prayer

Postlude

"Easter Rondo"

(arr. Powell)

Offering - Please place in offering boxes located by sanctuary doors.

DINNER & DESSERT AUCTION YOUTH FUNDRAISER TONIGHT, 5 -7 pm



This is a super fun fundraiser for the Youth trip to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, July 18-23 this summer. \$10 per person. Please make checks out to: Faith Lutheran Church and then put: Youth D&D Fundraiser, in the memo line.



3rd Sunday of Easter

FAMILY PRAYERS: We give thanks for founding member, Betty Kettel's 91st birthday this Thursday. We continue to pray for all those undergoing medical care or recovering including: Jan Hayward, Keren McCullem, Laurine McGrew, Deacon Tim Bruce and his wife Linda, Bob Donaldson, Jennifer Benson, Rosemarie Schlegel, Erik Simpson, Lawrence Kettel, Tom & Bonita Hoskins, Dorothy Ludke, Bob Schoessler, Fred Swenson, Bob Barclay, Carolyn Stephens, Jean Collinson, Pat Skinner, Don Haas, Debbie Hayes, Larry Latson, Luella Hilby, Jean Gookins, Bruce Ludke, and for all our shut-ins. Missionaries of the month: Ben & Natalie Maxson of Neah Bay Lutheran Church.

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u>: given to the glory of God by Thomas & Eileen Larson in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and in gratitude for all the many blessings they receive every day.

<u>THOSE SERVING TODAY</u>: Audio Visual: Pat Moored, Paul Schwabe, George Haslett Altar Care: Jill Mason & Janice Moored; Counters: Neil & Jackie Eklund Elders: (8:30) Neil Eklund & Jon Wendt; (11:00) Frank Jones & Norm Drewett Greeters: (8:30) George & Kemmie Haslett; (11:00) Marion Peterson & Julie Clark Lectors: (8:30) Abbie Stites; (11:00) Lily MacDonald Ushers: (8:30) Bill Eichler, Roger Harmann; (11:00) Lynn & Jane Thompson

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK: [Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 & 11 am] **TODAY:** 9:45 am Adult Bible Class & Coffee Hour; Sunday School; 5-7 pm Dinner & Dessert Auction fundraiser for Youth Summer Trip MONDAY: 10-12 Laundry Mission; 1 pm Line Dancing; 7 pm WEBS Group TUESDAY: 9 am (3 day) District Pastoral Conference (50-60 Pastors attending here at Faith) 1:30 pm Bible Study at SH&Rehab; 7 pm Pastors' Worship Service WEDNESDAY: 8:45 am Preschool Chapel, 7 pm Basic Bible Truths Class 4 pm Beginning Bells, 6 pm Bell Choir; 7:15 pm Choir Practice THURSDAY: 7:30 am Men's Prayer; 8:45am & 12:30 pm Preschool Chapels 10 am Games Day; 12 pm Quilting Group; 5-7 pm Sequim-n-Women Group SATURDAY: 8 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast WIL collect "mites" or coins in the narthex the 1st Sunday of the month in support of missions

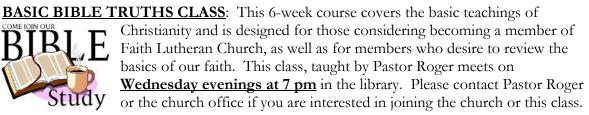
PASTORAL CONFERENCE: The LCMS District Conference for 50 – 60 Pastors will be held here at Faith this Tues, Wed. & Thurs.





PAPA MURPHY'S FUNDRAISER:

Simply mention Faith Lutheran Preschool when you purchase a pizza this Thursday, and our Preschool will get a portion of the proceeds.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: The final event for the season will be this <u>Saturday, May 10th at 8 am</u>. This is the same day as the Irrigation Parade, but is well before the crowds begin to line up, so all will work out just fine. All men of Faith are invited to come and enjoy a hearty breakfast with guest speaker, Lynn Thompson.





LADIES TEA: On **Tuesday, May 13th at 1 pm**, all women of Faith are invited to attend a "Flower Fantasy Tea" hosted by our LWML, in the Fellowship Hall. Wear your favorite floral attire and a "tea" hat!

Tea, sandwiches and desserts will be provided! Bring an item for donation to the Sequim Food Bank.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF SERVICE! There will be a formal recognition of Pat Marcy's 50 years of service milestone here at Faith as an organist and Music Director at both of the worship services on June 1st.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY: All who have joined our church family in the last year will be formally recognized at the second service on Sunday, June 1st.

There will be a structured & coordinated potluck following the 2nd service on June 1st in the Fellowship Hall and an opportunity to not only celebrate Pat's milestone of 50 years of service, but to also get to know one another

better. All members of Faith are welcome to come & participate in this very festive event.

PENTECOST & CELEBRATING ALL OF OUR MUSICIANS: Sun., June 8th



Our Choir and our Bell Choir will complete their 2024 – 2025 season of worship support on June 8th, and will be participating at both services. We would like to share our appreciation of their amazing efforts with a special coffee & fellowship hour

between the services from 9:45 – 10:45 am. This would also include all those who help support our worship services musically such as our Cantors, instrumentalists, soloists, digital recordings etc.







NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: All info. needing to go into the June/July issue of Faith Hi-lights needs to be in by next Mon. May 12th. faithnewsletter@hotmail.com

<u>CARDS TO SIGN</u>: Ryan Edinger, who has received our call for the position of Music Director here, is graduating from Concordia University Nebraska on May 10th. If you would like to send your good wishes to Ryan, please sign one of the three graduation cards out in the Narthex. The cards will be available today and next Sunday in the narthex for collecting signatures, and then will be mailed on May 12th.



WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY: This group meets tomorrow evening at the home of Patti Vardanega at 7 pm.



Save the Dates, Sign Up, & Invite your friends & grandkids!

Registration forms and flyers are available in the narthex. Volunteers will be needed to do a variety of jobs and tasks. Look for a sign-up sheet to go up on the bulletin board soon. Other details will be announced in future bulletins. Contact Director Traci Kaiser with any questions you may have.

