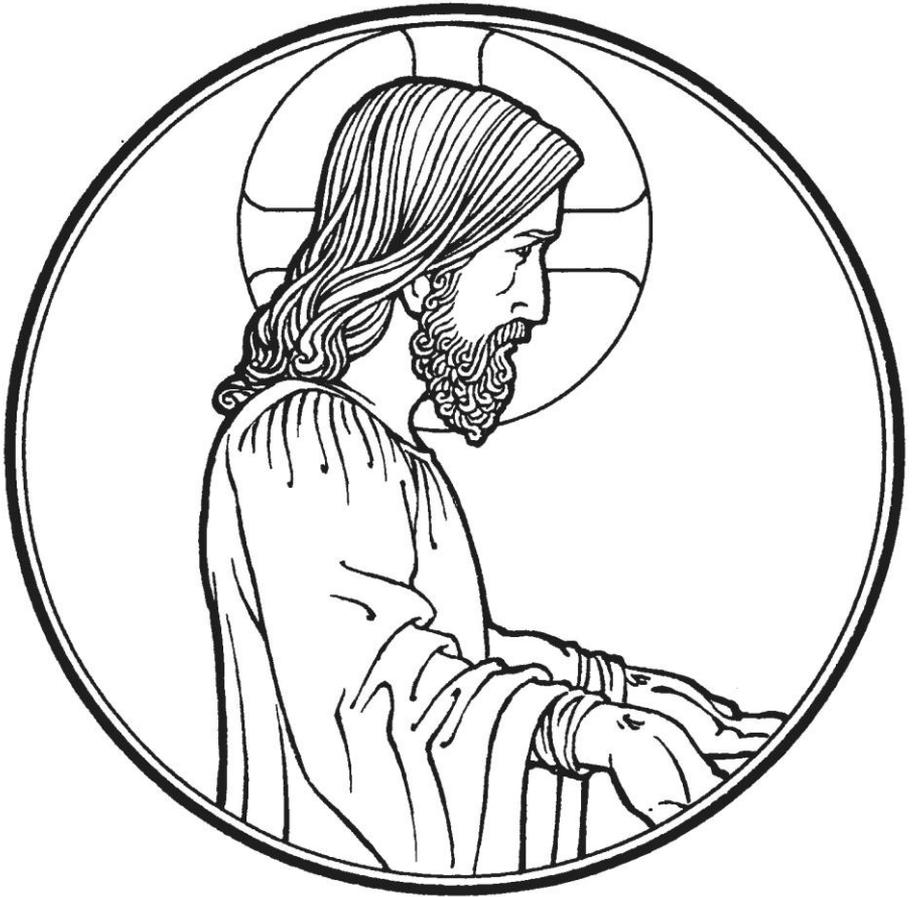


Second Sunday of Easter

Quasimodo Geniti

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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are a loving congregation who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and each other. We welcome you in the name of the Lord!

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 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 usher.

Altar Flowers would have been sponsored this morning by

Joe and Patti Guerra celebrating their grandson – Alex's 14th birthday.

Also by Debbie Schwartz celebrating her grandson – Shane's 14th birthday.

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

Today	Divine Service w/The Lord's Supper	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Study	10:15 a.m.
Tuesday	Catechism Class – <i>online</i>	5:00 p.m.
Thursday	Morning Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	Women's Bible Study	5:30 p.m.

Per Re-opening Plan other classes are suspended at this time.

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Ezekiel 34:11-16 + 1 Peter 2:21-25 + John 10:11-16

Sermon: Pastor Maggard

Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Service III - Abbreviated

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father,

I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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.

Amen.

Sit

Old Testament

Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and He brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And He led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know." ⁴Then He said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied,

there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then He said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live."¹⁰ So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹ Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.'¹² Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O My people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ And I will put My Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 John 5:4-10

⁴ For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is He who came by water and blood — Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that He has borne concerning His Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning His Son.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse Matthew 28:7b; John 20:26a, c
Alleluia. He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee. **Alleluia.** Eight days later Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." **Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Holy Gospel **John 20:19-31**

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when He had

said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if You withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

²⁷ Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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.

- 1 O sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 An angel clad in white they see,
Who sits and speaks unto the three,
"Your Lord will go to Galilee."
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 That night the apostles met in fear;
Among them came their Master dear
And said, "My peace be with you here."
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard
That they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 "My pierced side, O Thomas, see,
And look upon My hands, My feet;
Not faithless but believing be."
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side.
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days
Be laud and jubilee and praise:
To God your hearts and voices raise.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon

Pastor Maggard

Stand

Offertory

**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 uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, have mercy.

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. **It is
meet and right so to do.**

It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and
saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.

Words of Institution

Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Agnus Dei

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us,

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

Communion Hymn

Love Divine, all Loves Excelling

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- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit;
Let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.
- 3 Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.
- 4 Finish then Thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation

Perfectly restored in Thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Stand

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

Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
And His mercy endureth forever.

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord be you,
And with thy spirit.

Bless we the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
Amen, amen, amen.

Let them praise Your great and awesome name! Holy is He!

Psalm 99:3

Announcements

- ➔ The Church Council meets today after Bible Study.
 - ➔ The May Newsletter Deadline is this Tuesday, April 13th.
 - ➔ Choir starts this Thursday, April 15th at 7:00 p.m.
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Daily Devotions

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm
April 11	Exodus 20:1-24	Luke 4:1-15	119:9-16
April 12	Exodus 22:20-23:13	Luke 4:16-30	146
April 13	Exodus 23:14-33	Luke 4:31-44	26:1-3, 8-12
April 14	Exodus 24:1-18	Luke 5:1-16	99:1-5
April 15	Exodus 25:1-22	Luke 5:17-39	119:25-32
April 16	Exodus 31:1-18	Luke 6:1-19	92:1-9
April 17	Exodus 32:1-14	Luke 6:20-38	106:16-23

Serving Today

Pianist	<i>Dolores Smith</i>
Elder	<i>Mike Miller</i>
Communion Elder	<i>Ron Pickinpaugh</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Kathy Holm, Maletta Miller</i>
Counting Committee	<i>Chuck and Sandy Stringham</i>

Prayer Requests

Thank you for remembering our shut-ins: Margaret Dickenson, Bette Howard, Larry Maudlin, Joyce McFarland, Gloria Reinschmidt, Evelyn Smith, Ruth Spies, and Joyce Waters.

Prayers requested this week for: Kim Pickinpaugh's mother – Joan; Carla Del Rio's mom, Darlene and family.

We keep in Prayer: Tony Mantz and family; Terry Pickinpaugh; Mike and Betty Guinn; Richard and Pattie Lowe; Anthony and Tamara Mahomes; Tamara Mahomes' friend – Zenida, best friend - Windy, Windy's son, Jason and his wife, Nikole and their unborn son; Barbara Dellinger's dear friend – Pauline Johnson; Hannah and Mike Villasenor and their unborn daughter; Tamara Mahomes' friend- Vivian's son – Grant; Caitlyn Del Rio's best friend's family – especially, Azmoon; Carla Del Rio's friend – Maria; Don Sidoti's Uncle Douglas, Aunt Marge and family; Justin and Tiffany Izzo and their unborn son; Bill Choske's friend – Tim and Jackson; Pastor Eric, Kawaii and Pastor Eric's dad – Jack; Kevin and Laura Mitchell; Randy and Gail York; Jim and Diane Kline; and unspoken prayers.

We pray for all our troops overseas and their families and for our own young people in uniform: Kurt Wampole Jr., Noah Nery, Jeremiah Hart, Jacob Livoni and Jacob Blanton.