# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

# *Sharing God’s Word; Showing God’s Love; Serving God’s World.*

Easter Sunday

April 9, 2023 7:00 & 9:00 am

## **Gathering**

**Unveiling of the Cross** (7:00) **“Were You There” Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Easter Dialog** P: Christ is risen. **C: He is risen indeed.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship** (9:00) **“Living Hope” Mixed Choir**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give

 us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of

 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Gracious God,

 **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are**

 **truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have**

 **done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live**

 **and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.** **Amen.**

**Opening Hymn “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” #365**

**Kyrie -** Pages 138-139

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: 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. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have**

 **mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen.**

**This is the Feast –** Pages 140-141

This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, alleluia. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray. **C: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his**

 **glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live**

 **with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns**

 **with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**  **Amen**

**First Reading**: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." L: The Word of the LORD. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-17

L: Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; His mercy endures forever.

**C: Let Israel declare,** **"God's mercy endures forever."**

L: The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

**C: Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:** **"The right hand of the LORD acts**

 **valiantly! The right hand of the LORD is exalted!**

**L:** The right hand of the LORD is victorious!"

**C: We shall not die, but live,** **and declare the mighty work of the LORD.**

### Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

1If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, 3for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. L: The Word of the LORD. **C Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Song**  **“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia” #364**

**Gospel**:John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. 2So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” 3Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. 4The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. 6Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, 7and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10Then the disciples returned to their homes. 11But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 12and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. 13They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” 14When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 15Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” 16Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). 17Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” 18Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her. P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children’s Sermon**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn**  **“Crown Him with Many Crowns”** **#855**

#### The Apostles’ Creed P: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son,**

 **our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was**

 **crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into**

 **heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I**

 **believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the**

 **resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Passing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

**Offering** *(Noisy Offering for Faith’s Pantry will also be collected at this time)*

**Offertory “We Give Thee But Thine Own”** vs. 1 **#686**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this

 bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our

 Lord. **C: Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and

 teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say

 and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection

 dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation.

 Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your

 justice in every nation of the world that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your

 mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries

 of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized and for all health care workers

 who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless

 the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly’s song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

 **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for those who are celebrating their birthday this week: Dennis Luckow, Kelly Krogh, Chase Reinertson,

 Lucas Reinertson, Brandon Platten, Bev Griffin, Bev Torrison, Judy Harris, Braxton Wenzel, Cheryl Duchow,

 Vicki Petska. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for those who are in need of healing: Cheryl Domrath, Sharon Naidl, Judy Jorgenson, Marlene

 Thomsen, Jim and Jan Reinertson,Harry Kwasny, Donald Tienor, Ginger Linsmeier, Neil Meissner, Eliza

 Dekker, Jim Loritz, Merle “Butch” Graf, Wayne Allen Huske. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

 **hear our prayer.**

P:Confident that you not only hear our prayers, but listen to them, you not only listen, but care. You not only

 care, but act with Almighty Love. Confident in your Almighty Love, we name now before you those in need

 of your presence and care \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Help them to know that our prayers are with them and you are

 with them. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Invitation to Communion**

P: Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

**Distribution Hymns** “Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!” #382 “Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!” #380

 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!” #369

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have

 nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus’ name. **C: Amen.**

#### Benediction

P: The God of all, who raised ☩ Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new

 creation. **C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn “Thine Is the Glory”****#376**

P: Go in the Spirit of Christ to love and serve the Lord!

**C: Sharing God’s Word, Showing God’s Love, and Serving God’s World!**

**Serving Us Today @ 7:00**

Organist: Sue Riesterer Head Usher: Matt Krogh

Greeters: Matt and Tanyia Sorenson Acolyte: Audrey Sorenson

Ushers: Wayne Huske, Jim Ahrens, Steve Ahrens Lector & Communion Aide: Stacy Wilker

Sound Operator and Projection: Terry Huske Video/Live Stream: Carter Lenzner

**Serving Us Today @ 9:00**

Organist: Sue Riesterer Head Usher: Delton Duchow

Greeter: Carter Valleskey Acolyte: Landen Pinkerton

Ushers: Guy and Judy Valleskey, Ron Jandrey Lector: Erin Lenzner

Sound Operator: Lucas Spindler Projection: Judy Harris

Video/Live Stream: Bill Riesterer Communion Aide: Earl Griffin

**Last Week** – Sunday: 152 Wednesday: 63 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $6,803.75

Cemetery Spring Cleanup will be happening very soon after Easter, so please remove all your Christmas wreaths and decorations. Thank you.

*Thank you to the following that have made our altar so festive this Easter Sunday:*

In memory of John Huske by Wayne and Terry Huske.

In memory of Bob Meyer and loved ones gone before us by Virginia Meyer and family.

In memory of Edward Streckert by Janice Streckert and family.

In memory of Ted, Betty and Bruce Jeske by The Jeske Family.

In special thanksgiving to God by Julie Hartman.

In memory of the Schneider and Nelson families by The Nelson Family.

In memory of Paul Johnson by Keith and Brenda Johnson.

In special thanksgiving to God by Cheryl and Don Domrath.

In memory of Larry Backus by Jill Backus.

In special thanksgiving to God by Loren and Carol Ulness.

In memory of Gilman, Grace and Elaine Peterson by Carolyn, Geneva and Jerry Peterson.

In honor of our parents, children and grandchildren by Mark and Jen Zutz.

In memory of Bethany Sorenson by Joyce Sorenson and family.

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In memory of Elmer and Alice Sebo, Debra Riesterer and Jesse Riesterer by Sandra Lemberger.

In memory of Bob Burzynski and Marian Broich by Laurance and Lynn Burzynski.

In special thanksgiving to God by Susan Christel.

In memory of Marlyn and Margaret Evenson by Tony and Marilyn Schad and family.

In special thanksgiving to God by Bob Mattern.

In special thanksgiving to God for all his blessings by John and Kerry Schnell.

In memory of all family members who have passed away by Dave and Terry Haupt.

In special thanksgiving to God by Al Gilbertson.

In memory of Mike and Ludene McCulley by Mark and Gail McCulley.

In memory of Dennis Evenson by Marlene, Debbie and Gail and families.

In special thanksgiving to God by Joan Pritzl.

In memory of Larry Madson by Joy Madson and family.

In memory of Donald Evenson and Kurt Evenson by The Matt and Kelly Krogh Family.

In memory of loved ones by Sue and Bill Riesterer.

In memory of Ralph and Melissa Evenson and Jay Stiefvater by Steve and Ginny Schwoerer.

In special thanksgiving to God by Bob and Julie Wigen.

In loving memory of Glenn and Tom Torrison, Orin and Clara Torrison, Victor and Regina Bronk, Norman and Marvin Bronk by Ruth Torrison and family.

*Donations were given to World Hunger:*

In memory of loved ones gone before us by Virginia Meyer and family.

In memory of Ray Rusch, Marvin and Mabel Petersen by Romelle Rusch.

Happy Birthday to Pastor Dan on April 13. Enjoy your day.

**Faith’s Opportunities April 10-16**

**Monday** Office closed, 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

**Tuesday** 11:00 A.M. Funeral for Jim Hansen (visitation 9:30-10:45)

**Wednesday** 9:00 A.M. Jazzercise, 5:00 P.M. Board of Stewardship, 6:15 Worship

**Thursday**  8:00 A.M. Quilting, 8:30 A.M. Secretary’s Meeting, 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

**Saturday** 9:00-10:00 A.M. Open Pantry, Newsletter info due

**Sunday** 8:00 A.M. Bell Choir, 9:00 A.M. Worship, 10:00 A.M. S.S. & Fellowship Hour, 10:15 A.M. Mixed Choir