

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 23rd, 2023 Zion Lutheran Church Kearney, Nebraska

H Warm Welcome to Our Guests!

Please sign our guest book in the narthex or a pew card so we can know how we can best of serve. If you are a member in good standing of a sister LC-MS congregation, we invite you to commune with us. Members of other church bodies with whom we are not in confessional fellowship are asked to please refrain from communing. Our pastor will be happy to explain how our desire for Christian care and unity is shown in our communion practice. All communicants need to register in the narthex prior to the service. Those not communing are invited to come to the altar, cross your arms in front of you, and bow your head to receive a pastoral blessing.

The Risen Lord Jesus Is with Us in Holy Baptism and in 'the Breaking of the Bread'

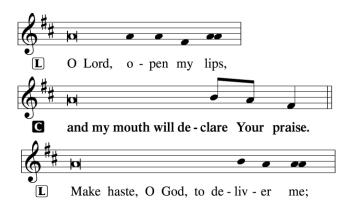
From "before the foundation of the world" until heaven and earth pass away, "the word of the Lord remains forever" (1 Peter 1:20, 25). This "living and abiding word of God" is the preaching of Christ Jesus, namely that God "raised him from the dead and gave him glory" (1 Peter 1:21, 23). By this living word, we "have been born again" to eternal life (1 Peter 1:23) and ransomed from our sinful and mortal life "with the precious blood of Christ" (1 Peter 1:18-19). This living word also calls us to repentance, to dying and rising in Holy Baptism "in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins" (Acts 2:38). In this, we receive the Holy Spirit "for you and for your children and for all who are far off" (Acts 2:39). Through the preaching of His cross and resurrection, Jesus draws near to bring us "into his glory" (Luke 24:26). As He opens the Scriptures, He opens our minds to comprehend "the things concerning himself" (Luke 24:27), and He brings us to know Him "in the breaking of the bread" (Luke 24:35).

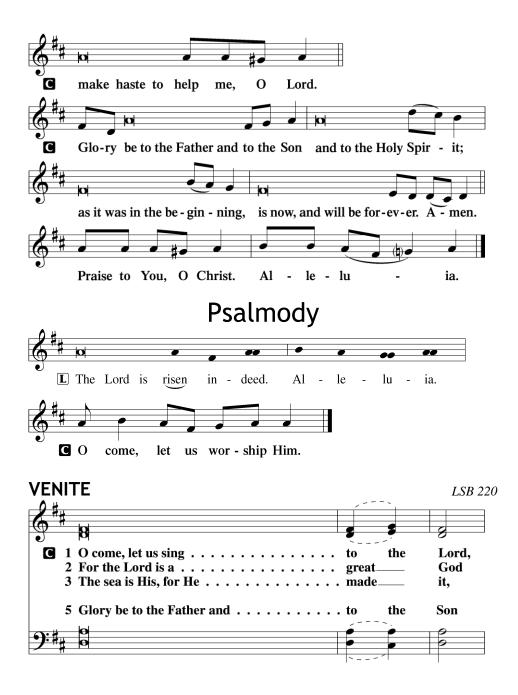
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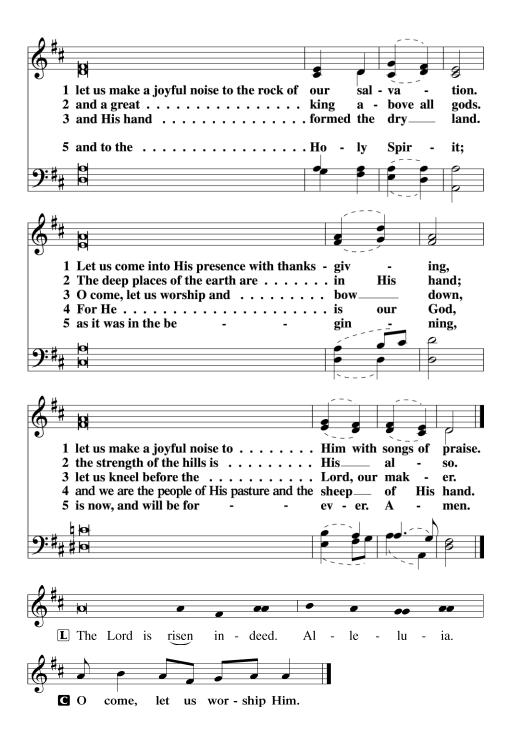


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Stand







Psalm (prayed responsively by whole verse)

¹I love the LORD, because | he has heard* my voice and my pleas for | mercy. ²Because he inclined his | ear to me.* therefore I will call on him as long as I live. ³The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;* I suffered distress and anguish. ⁴Then I called on the name | of the LORD:* "O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!" ⁵Gracious is the LORD, and | righteous;* our God is | merciful. ⁶The LORD preserves the | simple;* when I was brought low, he | saved me. ⁷Return, O my soul, to your rest;* for the LORD has dealt bountifully | with you. ⁸For you have delivered my | soul from death,* my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling; ⁹I will walk be- | fore the LORD* in the land of the living. ¹⁰I believed, even | when I spoke,* "I am greatly af- | flicted"; ¹¹I said in | my alarm.* "All mankind are | liars." ¹²What shall I render to the LORD* for all his bene- | fits to me? ¹³I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation* and call on the name of the LORD, ¹⁴I will pay my vows | to the LORD* in the presence of all his people. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now, Please be seated. and will be forever. Amen.



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Readings

First Reading

P A reading from Acts, chapter 2.

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them,...

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

P A reading from 1 Peter, chapter 1.

¹⁷If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for

"All flesh is like grass

and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,

and the flower falls,

²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

- **P** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 1:17-25

Third Reading

P A reading from Luke, chapter 24.

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

- **P** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



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Sermon



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Prayers



Lord's Prayer

 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.

Collects



Collect of the Day

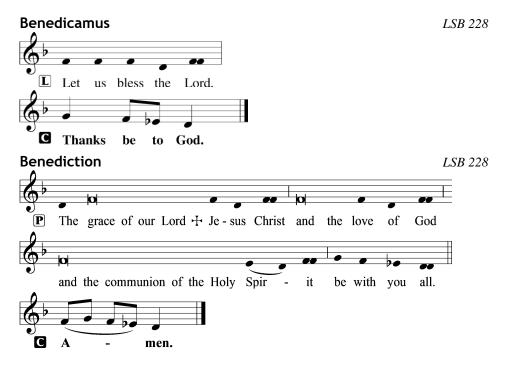
- P O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

Additional Prayers

Stand

Collect for Grace

- P Shed Your Holy Spirit upon Your people, O Lord, and make ready our hearts this day to hear and keep Your holy Word that in the communion of Your congregation we may rightly sanctify Your holy day and through Your Word with all Your saints come to eternal blessedness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.





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Prayers for Our Members	
Madisen Skaggs	Expecting
Lee Wells	Hospitalized
Norman Abels (Brookestone Meadows-Elkhorn)	Healing
Judy Ahrens	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht (Mount Carmel)	Healing
DyAnn Altwine	Healing
Grace Burger	Healing
Lyle Colsden (Mother Hull)	Healing
Pat Flodine (Cambridge Court)	Healing
Vi Fox (St. Johns)	Healing
Marilyn Fuqua	Healing
Jan Hatfield	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Evelyn Heiden (Mother Hull)	Healing
Linda Luhn	Healing
Diane Plummer	Healing
Debra Schinkel	Healing
Don Trampe	Healing
Robin Baker	Cancer
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer
Bertha Marienau	Cancer

Prayers for Our Members' Family & Frier	nds
Lana Fattig (Eric's wife)	Expecting
Roger Young (Tiffany Davis' father)	Parkinson's
Joan Bentley (Family friend of the Kreutzer's)	Healing
Greg Blum (Junge Family Friend)	Healing
Elaine de la Motte (Carol Herron's sister-in-law)	Healing
Norm Erickson (Jackie Zehendner's father)	Healing
Jerry Foote (Carol Herron's friend)	Healing
Robert Haubold (Don Helmbrecht's brother-in-law)	Healing
Roger Hoffman (Marc's father)	Healing
Luetta Lammers (Ruby Hatfield's sister)	Healing
Autumn & Terri Asche (HLHS student and Mom)	Healing
Tim Powers (Kim Wilken's brother)	Healing
Howard Quandt (Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's family)	Healing
Aaron Russell (Becky Thornton's son-in-law)	Healing
David & Carol Shiers (Jessica's parents)	Healing
Ruth Shoen (Joy Barefoot's sister)	Healing
Pat Snyder (Carol Herron's friend)	Healing
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing
Jonah (Jase & Jarren Blattner's friend)	Cancer
Glenda Fichtner (Ruby Hatfield's niece)	Cancer
Gay Koopman (Todd Koopman's sister)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer
Milton Naprstek (Marilyn Fuqua's brother)	Cancer
Cindy Pietsch (Ellen Koopman's sister-in-law)	Cancer
Don Todd, Jr. (Marilyn Fuqua's nephew)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer
Ray Vang (Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's brother-in-law)	Cancer

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Date: 4/16/2023 Offering: \$6,332 Weekly Need: \$7,500

Offering Options:

To worship the Lord with your offering:

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate as you enter or leave.
- 2) Go to zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give
- 3) Go to zionkearney.com and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847 or place it in the mail slot on the south side of the building.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Dan Oertwig and Cinda Ward, in memory of Merna Oertwig.

Today's Altar Flowers are provided by Dan Oertwig and Cinda Ward, in memory of Merna Oertwig.

Sunday, April 23rd - 9:00a

Elder: Dan Oertwig Acolyte: Eli Randolph	Usher: Mike Wilkens Engineer: Eric Rosenthal	
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer	Altar Guild: Sue Bartels & Ellen Hockemeier	
Sunday, April 30 th - 9:00a		
Elder: Eric Rosenthal	Usher: Keith Nuttelman	
Acolyte: Amy Tonniges	Engineer: Reilly Fisher	
Announcer: Brooke Fisher	Altar Guild: Sue Bartels & Ellen Hockemeier	

<u>This Week at Zion</u>		
Sun 4/23	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Voter's Meeting (No Adult Bible Study)
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service
	Birthdays	Philip Wellman
Mon 4/24	Birthdays	Theodore Florang
Tues 4/25	1:30p	Sleeping Mats
Wed 4/26	8:30a	Chapel
	5:30p	Midweek
	Birthdays	Margaret Smith
Thurs 4/27		
Fri 4/28	Birthdays	Waunita DeLaet
Sat 4/29		
Sun 4/30	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study and Sunday School
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service
	Birthdays	Udeane Fischer
		Alexis Wollberg

Announcements for April 23rd, 2023

<u>Voter's Meeting:</u> The voter's meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall following the 9am service.

<u>Vi Fox Visiting Schedule</u>: There is an online sign-up for congregation members to visit Vi Fox. This will help her visitors coordinate their visits and spread them throughout the week. Use the QR Code below or the link to sign up for a slot.



Or shorturl.at/fhms2

If you have any questions or need help, please call Holly during office hours.

<u>Employment Opportunity</u>: Zion needs a part-time custodian for the church and school. The position is 30 hours a week. Please contact Zion's office for more information.

<u>Alton Schmitt Card Shower:</u> Alton Schmitt will be turning 92 on May 19th. His family would like to have a card shower for him. His address is below.

Alton Schmitt 2900 Grand Ave Lot 150 Kearney NE 68847

<u>Radio Broadcast & Altar Flowers:</u> The sign-up sheets for the 2023 radio broadcasts and flowers are on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. If you want a certain date, sign up ASAP.

SCHOOL NEWS

<u>MAPS Testing</u>: Students will be MAP testing this week. Be sure they have enough sleep, a good breakfast and are on time.

<u>Heartland Field Day:</u> There will be no school next <u>Friday, May 5th</u> for the Heartland Field Day.

<u>K-8 Spring Musical</u>: The Spring musical, Esther-Ordinary, will be Friday, May 12th at 7pm. The dress rehearsal will open for family to attend as well.

<u>Receipts:</u> The Apple Market receipt program ends March 31 and will start again in September. We will still be collecting UPC from Best Choice and Our Family products. We also collect Coke Codes from bottle caps and multi-packs (12 or 24 packs).