Divine Service



The Third Sunday of Easter

April 14th, 2024 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 know how we can best serve you. 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 Preaching of Repentance and Forgiveness of Sins Makes Us Pure

The risen Lord Jesus taught His disciples "that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead" and "that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations" (Luke 24:46–47). Therefore, St. Peter preaches repentance and forgiveness to the people of Jerusalem. As he proclaims that Jesus fulfilled all that "God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets" (Acts 3:18), he also convicts the people of their sin, because they "delivered over and denied" this Lord Jesus and "killed the Author of life." Yet God "glorified his servant Jesus" and raised Him from the dead (Acts 3:13-15). St. Peter calls the people to repent, so that their "sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19–20). Through this forgiveness of sins and by faith in this forgiveness, the Father shows His love for us in order that "we should be called children of God; and so we are" (1 John 3:1). Thus, we hope in Him and are made pure even "as he is pure," because "he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin" (1 John 3:3, 5).

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5 O Father, grant that by Your grace They may Your will each day embrace; With fruits of faith their lives now bless. 6 Then robed in white before Your throne, Your holy saints, by You foreknown— Predestined, called, and justified, Shall, crowned in light, be glorified.

Till they at death Your name confess.

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Holy Baptism (9am)

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

- **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.

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Confession of Sins

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;*

G 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.

Absolution

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.

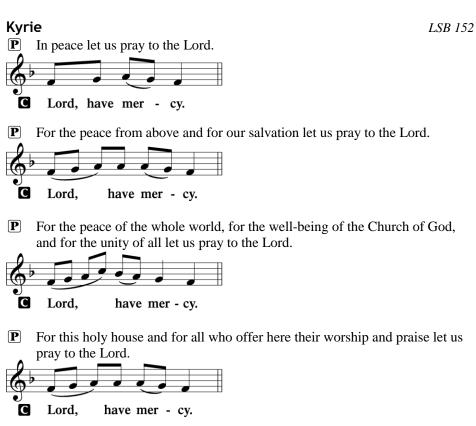
C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: Psalm 16:11b

at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore. I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up* and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,* and you have | healed me. O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;* you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,* and give thanks to his | holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.* Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. 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. In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



This Is the Feast LSB 155 Refrain 0. of This is the feast С vic-to-ry for our God. 0 al - le - lu Al-le - lu ia. al - le - lu - ia, ia. ł Christ, the Lamb who was 1 -Wor-thv is slain. whose 2 Pow rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and er, 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and 4 Bless ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to 5 For the Lamb_ who was slain has be -0 blood set free peo - ple of God. Refrain us to be hon - or, bless ing, and glo - ry are His. Refrain join in the hymn of all cre - a tion: Stanza 4 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. Α men. Refrain Al - le - lu gun His reign. ia. Final Refrain Final Refrain 0. This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God. \mathbf{O} Al-le - lu - ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le lu ia. -Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

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.



First Reading

¹¹While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. ¹²And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

¹⁷"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

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

1 John 3:1–7

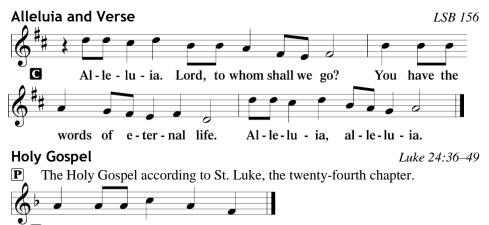
¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who makes a practice 0of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

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

Acts 3:11–21

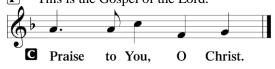
Stand



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."



Sit



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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

C 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.

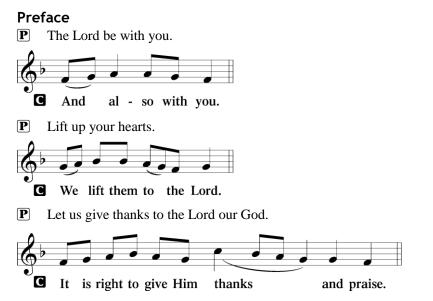
Prayer of the Church

Sharing the Peace

Following the prayers, you may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you". Shaking hands is not required unless one is comfortable doing so. Please respect your neighbor's needs.

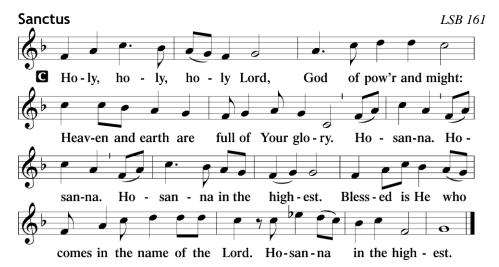


Service of the Sacrament



Proper Preface

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:



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.

The Words of Our Lord

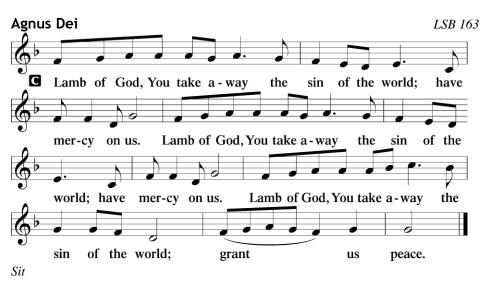
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

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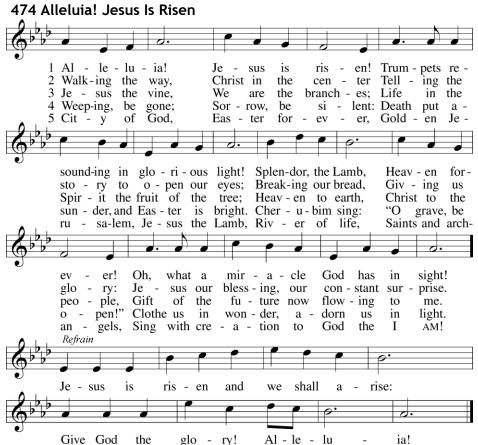
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	From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,				
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	Savior, by whose death we live,				
	Spirit, guide through all our days:				
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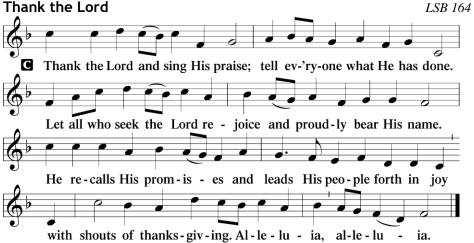


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Stand

The Dismissal

- **C** Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

P 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, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

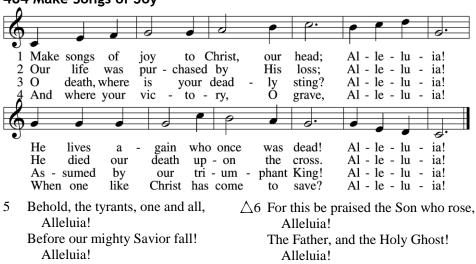
Benediction

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.



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Prayers for Our Members	
Frederick Scott France	Baptism
Seth & Christina Long	Fostering
Allyson Christener	Expecting
Mary Ann Mertz	Surgery
Judy Ahrens	Healing
DyAnn Altwine	Healing
Bruce Brooks	Healing
Lyle Colsden (Mother Hull)	Healing
Fred Flessner	Healing
Pat Flodine (Cambridge Court)	Healing
Jade Florang	Healing
Marilyn Fuqua	Healing
Jan Hatfield	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Evelyn Heiden (Mother Hull)	Healing
Lennis Hodgson	Healing
Quentin Lange	Healing
Betty Mustard	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Norrine Rockwell (Kinship Pointe)	Healing
Jane Schmid	Healing
Gretchen Trampe (Prairie View)	Healing
Jill Bates	Cancer
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer
Phyllis Wells	Cancer

Prayers for Our Members' Family & Frie	
Family & Friends of Marlin Heiden (Uncle of Sandy	Grief
Heiden and brother-in-law of Evelyn Heiden)	
Kayla Ernst (Bartels' friend)	Expecting
Amy Nuttelman (Chris' wife)	Expecting
Naomi Wollberg (Matthias' wife)	Expecting
Roger Young (Tiffany Davis' father)	Parkinson's
Joan Bentley (Kreutzer's friend)	Healing
Norm Erickson (Jackie Zehendner's father)	Healing
Jerry Foote (Carol Herron's friend)	Healing
Cyndi Foresman (Scott's wife)	Healing
Marilyn Glover (Don Helmbrecht's sister)	Healing
David Heapy (Janel Lange's father)	Healing
Annette Hoffman (Leah Baker's cousin)	Healing
Luetta Lammers (Ruby Hatfield's sister)	Healing
Michelle Lewis (Joni Brooks' friend)	Healing
Tim Powers (Kim Wilkens' brother)	Healing
Howard Quandt (Helmbrecht's brother-in-law)	Healing
Eve Sane (Quentin Lange's friend)	Healing
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing
Emmett Sprague (Jill Bates' nephew)	Healing
Joanne Staton (Kristian Arevalo's grandmother)	Healing
Glenda Fichtner (Ruby Hatfield's niece)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer
Steven Junge (Steve & Fran's nephew)	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer (Rich & Carol's sister-in-law)	Cancer
Helen Lange (Bartels' friend)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer
Lindsey Muniz (Steve & Fran's niece)	Cancer
Milton Naprstek (Marilyn Fuqua's brother)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer

Response to the Gospel

Date: 4/7/2024 Offering: \$9,441.30 Weekly Need: \$7,500

Offering Options:

To worship the Lord with your offering:

1) Place your offering in the offering plate.

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

The Radio Broadcast and Altar Flowers are sponsored by Dennis & Sue Bartels, in honor of their 51st anniversary.

Worship Assistants

Sunday, April 14th - 9:00a

Elder: Dan Oertwig	Usher: Andy Wollberg		
Acolyte: Madison Vetter	Engineer: Jared Nuttelman		
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer	Altar Guild: Ellen Hockemeier		
	Chelsea Junge		
Sunday, April 21 st - 7:00a			
Elder: Eric Rosenthal	Usher: Mike Wilkens		
Acolyte: Makenna Starkey	Engineer: Jamie Nikodym		
Announcer: Brooke Fisher	Altar Guild: Ellen Hockemeier		
	Chelsea Junge		

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<u>This Week at Zion</u>				
Sun 4/14 9:00a		Divine Service		
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School		
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast		
		1460AM & 92.1FM		
	2:00p	Richmond Open House - Gym		
	5:00p	Divine Service		
	Anniversaries	Dennis & Sue Bartels		
	Birthdays	Linda Johnson		
		Lisa Splittgerber		
Mon 4/15	7:00p	Mary Martha		
Tues 4/16	1:30p	Sleeping Mats		
	7:00p	Church Council		
	Birthdays	Brynne Fisher		
Wed 4/17	8:30a	Chapel		
	5:30p	Midweek		
	Birthdays	Chelsea Junge		
Thurs 4/18	7:00p	Men's Bible Study		
Fri 4/19	Birthdays	Jessica Shiers		
Sat 4/20	2:00p-4:00p	Becky Thornton Open House		
	Anniversaries	Marc & Lyn Hoffman		
	Birthdays	Becky Thornton		
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	Birthdays	Patricia Flodine		

Announcements for April 14th, 2024

LWML Spring Collection: April 21st will be the last day to donate the Girl's Travel Size Health & Beauty items. Also, we are no longer collecting the denim pockets and buttons. Thank you to everyone who has helped!

LWML Podcast: Need a devotion for on the go listening? Try an LWML podcast devotion by downloading the LWML app on your phone or iPad! On the home page of the app click on the podcast icon and you will have a choice of recorded devotions to listen to as you drive, exercise, or do the dishes! If you need help talk to Carol DeLoach.

<u>Adult Instruction Class:</u> meets this week on Tuesday in our Fellowship Hall. Please contact Pastor DeLoach (<u>james.deloach@zionkearney.org</u> or 308-627-5260) for details.

<u>Church Council</u>: The next church council meeting will be April 16th at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall.

<u>Voter's Meeting</u>: There will be a voter's meeting <u>Sunday, April 28th</u> after 9am service. It will take place in the sanctuary. Adult bible class will not meet.

<u>Radio Broadcast & Altar Flowers:</u> The sign-up sheets for the 2024 radio broadcasts and flowers are on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. If you want a certain date, sign up ASAP.

SCHOOL NEWS

<u>**Plant Sale Pick-Up:</u>** We need volunteers for the plant pick-up! There is a sign-up sheet on the office window!</u>