

*Divine Service*



*The Second Sunday of Easter*

April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Zion Lutheran Church

Kearney, Nebraska

## *A 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.

### ***Christ Jesus Breathes His Spirit and His Life into Us by the Ministry of the Gospel***

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus establishes the ministry of the Gospel in order to bestow His life-giving Holy Spirit and His peace upon the Church. To those who are called and ordained to this office, and to those they serve in His name, He grants the Holy Absolution of all sins. By the fruits of His cross, He replaces fear and doubt with peace and joy, and thus gives *“repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins”* (Acts 5:31). Through the preaching of His sent ones, He calls us to believe that He *“is the Christ, the Son of God,”* so that by such faith we *“may have life in his name”* (John 20:31). In His resurrection, we have the *“living hope”* to which we have been *“born again”* and by which we are guarded *“for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time”* (1 Peter 1:3, 5). Until then, *“though you have not seen him, you love him,”* and by the mercies of God *“you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory”* (1 Peter 1:8).

# 467 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

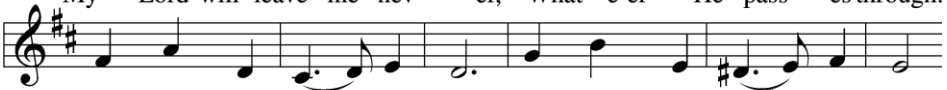
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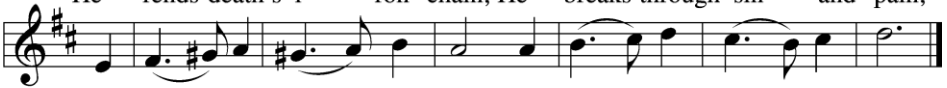
1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, See what to - day is done;  
 2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed When Christ lay in the tomb;  
 3 This is a sight that glad - dens—What peace it doth im - part!  
 4 Now hell, its prince, the dev - il, Of all their pow'r are shorn;  
 6 Now I will cling for - ev - er To Christ, my Sav - ior true;



Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, Comes forth the glo - rious sun.  
 But lo, he now is rout - ed, His boast is turned to gloom.  
 Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens The joy with - in my heart.  
 Now I am safe from e - vil, And sin I laugh to scorn.  
 My Lord will leave me nev - er, What - e'er He pass - es through.



My Sav - ior there was laid Where our bed must be made  
 For Christ a - gain is free; In glo - rious vic - to - ry  
 No gloom shall ev - er shake, No foe shall ev - er take  
 Grim death with all its might Can - not my soul af - fright;  
 He rends death's i - ron chain; He breaks through sin and pain;



When to the realms of light Our spir - it wings its flight.  
 He who is strong to save Has tri - umphed o'er the grave.  
 The hope which God's own Son In love for me has won.  
 It is a pow'r - less form, How - e'er it rave and storm.  
 He shat - ters hell's grimthrall; I fol - low Him through all.

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## Confession and Absolution

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

**P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**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.

**G** Amen.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—\*

if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.  
Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name; \*  
make known his deeds among the | peoples!  
Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him; \*  
tell of all his | wondrous works!  
Glory in his | holy name; \*

let the hearts of those who seek the | LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD | and his strength; \*

seek his presence con- | tinually!

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done, \*

his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered.

He remembers his covenant for- | ever, \*

the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning, \***

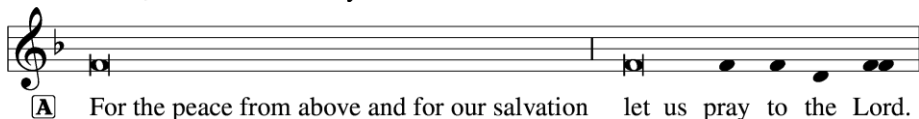
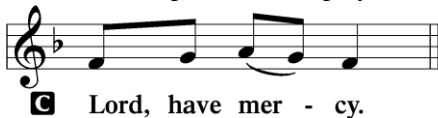
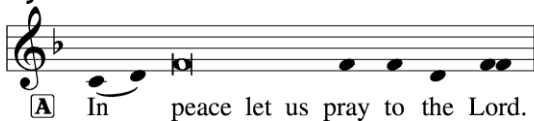
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—\*

if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

### Kyrie

*LSB 152*





**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



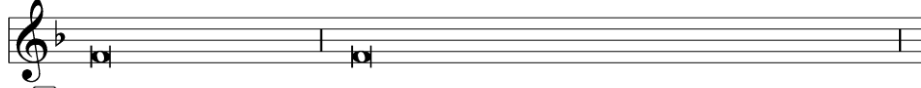
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



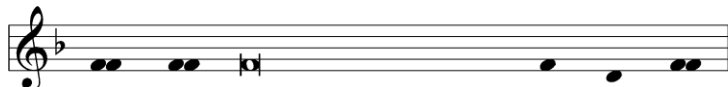
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## This Is the Feast

LSB 155



*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 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 -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 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. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

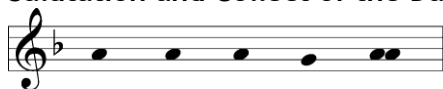


This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



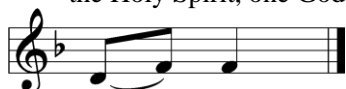
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

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.



**C** A - men.

### First Reading

*Acts 5:29-42*

<sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men.

<sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree.

<sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel

and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

<sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. <sup>35</sup>And he said to them, “Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. <sup>36</sup>For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. <sup>38</sup>So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; <sup>39</sup>but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!” So they took his advice, <sup>40</sup>and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. <sup>41</sup>Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. <sup>42</sup>And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*adapted 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 Peter 1:3–9*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>On 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." <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>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."

<sup>26</sup>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." <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>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.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

# 470 O Sons and Daughters of the King

sts. 1-4



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly  
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful  
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and  
 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!  
 wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay,  
 speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."  
 came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
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## Sermon

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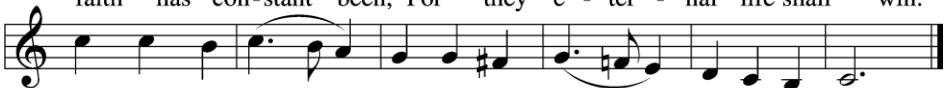
sts. 5-8



5 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard That they had  
 6 "My pier - ed side, O Thom - as, see, And look up -  
 7 No long - er Thom - as then de - nied; He saw the  
 8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose



seen the ris - en Lord, He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word.  
 on My hands, My feet; Not faith - less but be - liev - ing be."  
 feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.  
 faith has con - stant been, For they e - ter - nal life shall win.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence 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 sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life  $\text{†}$  everlasting. 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.*

### Consecration of the Offering

*Please be seated. The altar is set for the Lord's Supper and the offering is consecrated. You may use the prayers in the front of the hymnal or meditate on a communion hymn as you prepare to receive the sacrament.*

## Offertory

LSB 159



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my

vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*LSB 160*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

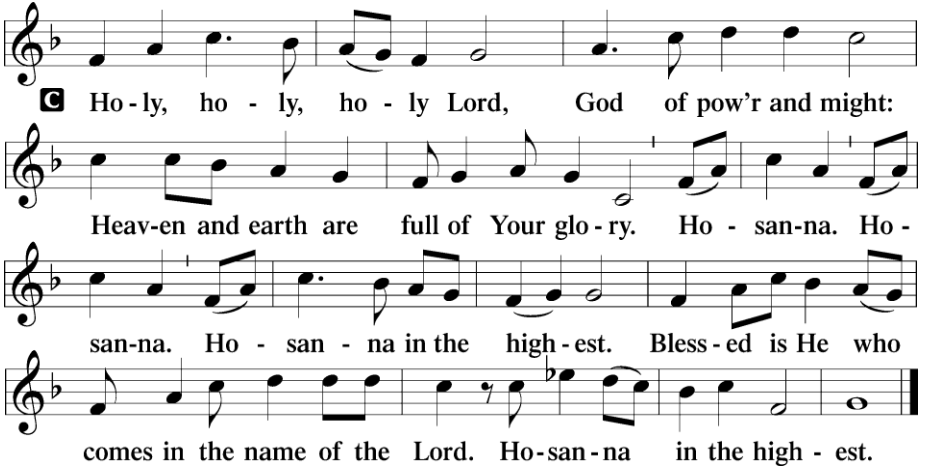
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** 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:

## Sanctus

LSB 161



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

- P** 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  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

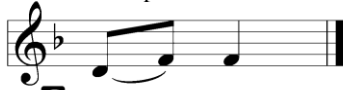
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

# Pax Domini

LSB 163



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

# Agnus Dei

LSB 163



**G** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

# Distribution

## 472 These Things Did Thomas Count as Real



1 These things did Thom - as count as real: The  
 2 The vi - sion of his skep - tic mind Was  
 3 His rea - soned cer - tain - ties de - nied That  
 4 May we, O God, by grace be - lieve And



warmth of blood, the chill of steel, The grain of wood, the  
 keen e-nough to make him blind To an - y un - ex -  
 one could live when one had died, Un - til his fin - gers  
 thus the ris - en Christ re - ceive, Whose raw im - print - ed



heft of stone, The last frail twitch of flesh and bone.  
 pect - ed act Too large for his small world of fact.  
 read like braille The mark - ings of the spear and nail.  
 palms reached out And beck - oned Thom - as from his doubt.

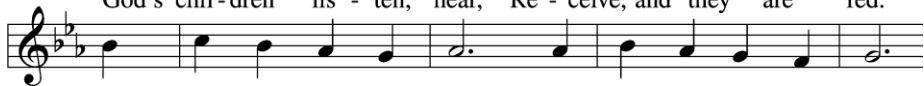
## 602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives



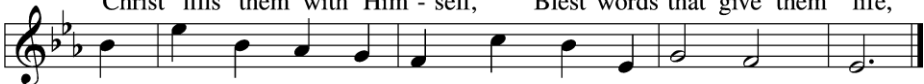
1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me  
 2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;  
 3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;  
 4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!  
 New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.  
 The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.  
 God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim  
 Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;  
 For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;  
 Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.  
 The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.  
 The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.  
 Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

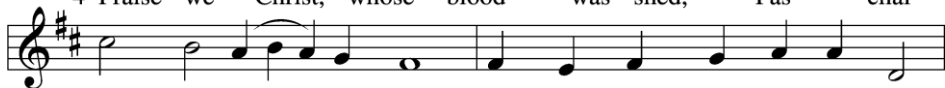
<p>5 The gifts are in the feast,                  Gifts far more than we see;                  Beneath the bread and wine                  Is food from Calvary.                  The body and the blood                  Remove our ev'ry sin;                  We leave His presence in                  His peace, renewed again.</p>	<p>6 All glory to the One                  Who lavishes such love;                  The triune God in love                  Assures our life above.                  His means of grace for us                  Are gifts He loves to give;                  All thanks and praise for His                  Great love by which we live!</p>
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## 633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to  
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His  
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread  
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide  
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—  
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go  
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,  
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;  
 You have conquered in the fight,  
 You have brought us life and light.  
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
 This alone can sin destroy;  
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,  
 Newborn souls in You to be.  
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,  
 Now no more the grave enthral;  
 You have opened paradise,  
 And Your saints in You shall rise.  
 Alleluia!

△8 Father, who the crown shall give,  
 Savior, by whose death we live,  
 Spirit, guide through all our days:  
 Three in One, Your name we praise.  
 Alleluia!

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### 480 He's Risen, He's Risen



1 He's ris - en, He's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;  
 2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry  
 3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,  
 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
 △ 5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate, true Word.  
 The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.  
 And death, hell, and Sa - tan He van - quished, His foes.  
 Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.  
 Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song  
 In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,  
 The con - quer - ing Lord lifts His ban - ner on high;  
 For all our trans - gres - sions His blood does a - tone;  
 Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:



And earth, sea, and moun - tain their prais - es pro - long.  
 For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.  
 He lives, yes, He lives, and will nev - er - more die.  
 Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are His own.  
 With Fa - ther and Spir - it He ev - er shall reign.

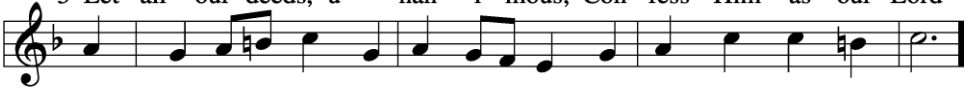
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## 473 Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free



1 Our Pas - chal Lamb, that sets us free, Is sac - ri - ficed. O keep  
 2 Let all our lives now cel - e - brate The feast; let mal - ice die.  
 3 Let all our deeds, u - nan - i - mous, Con - fess Him as our Lord



The feast of free - dom gal - lant - ly; Let al - le - lu - ias leap:  
 Let love grow strong a - new, and great, Let truth stamp out the lie.  
 Who by the Spir - it lives in us, The Fa - ther's liv - ing Word.

*Refrain*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A -



gain Sing al - le - lu - ia, cry a - loud: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

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### Prayers for Our Members

Chelsea Herrera	Expecting
Gary Albers ( <i>St. Luke's</i> )	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht ( <i>Mt. Carmel</i> )	Healing
DyAnn Altwine ( <i>Mt. Carmel</i> )	Healing
Dave Banner	Healing
Jim Catterson	Healing
Rich Crow	Healing
Pat Flodine ( <i>Homestead</i> )	Healing
Jade Florang	Healing
Marilyn Fuqua	Healing
Jerry Hansen	Healing
Jan Hatfield	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Evelyn Heiden ( <i>Mother Hull</i> )	Healing
Lennis Hodgson	Healing
Gwen Holtz	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Marion Richmond	Healing
Debra Schinkel	Healing
Lincoln Baker	Cancer
Jill Bates	Cancer

## Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends

Shaylee Kreutzer ( <i>Kreutzer's daughter-in-law</i> )	Expecting
Amy Nuttelman ( <i>Chris' wife</i> )	Expecting
Kaylee White ( <i>Emily Vos' friend</i> )	Expecting
Naomi Wollberg ( <i>Matthias' wife</i> )	Expecting
Joan Bentley ( <i>Kreutzer's friend</i> )	Healing
Randy Fritson ( <i>Carol Herron's friend</i> )	Healing
Barb Glover ( <i>Shirley Helmbrecht's sister</i> )	Healing
Cadence Markowski ( <i>Steve Junge's grandniece</i> )	Healing
Noah Ramirez ( <i>Isaiah Gaunt's friend</i> )	Healing
Melissa Sims ( <i>Jade Florang's friend</i> )	Healing
Randy Solomon ( <i>Beth Rosenthal's father</i> )	Healing
Joanne Staton ( <i>Kristian Arevalo's grandmother</i> )	Healing
Ruth Sturgeon ( <i>Joyce Hartman's aunt</i> )	Healing
Gloria Egge ( <i>Judy Tadlock's sister</i> )	Hospitalized
Pastor Brad Birtell ( <i>Willers' friend</i> )	Cancer
Emily Brachley ( <i>Hodgson's friend</i> )	Cancer
Paul Brooks ( <i>Bruce &amp; Becky Thornton's brother</i> )	Cancer
Mike & Sherrie Crow ( <i>Rich's brother &amp; sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Glenda Fichtner ( <i>Ruby Hatfield's niece</i> )	Cancer
Jerry Glover ( <i>Shirley Helmbrecht's brother</i> )	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen ( <i>Jeff's dad</i> )	Cancer
Heather Hawke ( <i>Ken &amp; Ellen Hockemeier's niece</i> )	Cancer
Steven Junge ( <i>Steve &amp; Fran's nephew</i> )	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer ( <i>Rich &amp; Carol's sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Sharon Kreutzer ( <i>Rich's mom</i> )	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair ( <i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i> )	Cancer
Jennelle Pietsch ( <i>Ellen Koopman's sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Carlie Russell ( <i>Sue Bartels' friend</i> )	Cancer
Pastor North Sherrill ( <i>Former Zion Pastor</i> )	Cancer

### Response to the Gospel

Date: 4/5/2026

Offering: \$8,503.80

Weekly Need: \$9,400

#### Offering Options:

To worship the Lord with your offering:

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate.
- 2) Go to [zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give](http://zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give)
- 3) Go to [zionkearney.com](http://zionkearney.com) and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail it to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847

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## Worship Assistants

### Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am

Elder: Bruce Brooks

Usher: Chuck Zehendner

Acolyte: Eleanor Davis

Engineer: Matt Hodgson

Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller

Altar Guild:

Ellen Hockemeier & Chelsea Junge

### Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am

Elder: Dan Oertwig

Usher: Andy Wollberg

Acolyte: Elijah Burger

Engineer: Eric Rosenthal

Announcer: Carol Kreutzer

Altar Guild:

Ellen Hockemeier & Chelsea Junge

## This Week at Zion

Sun 4/12	9:00a 10:30a 10:30a  5:00p <i>Birthdays</i>	Divine Service Adult Bible Class & Sunday School Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM Divine Service <i>David Hartman</i>
Mon 4/13	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Sarah Burger Lorelie Hanneman Jami Helmbrecht</i>
Tues 4/14	1:30p 7:00p  <i>Anniversaries Birthdays</i>	Sleeping Mats Board of Ed Board of Elders Board of Trustees <i>Dennis &amp; Sue Bartels Linda Johnson Lisa Splittgerber</i>
Wed 4/15	8:30a	Chapel
Thurs 4/16	7:00p	Men's Bible Class
Fri 4/17	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Gwendolyn Fittje</i>
Sat 4/18		
Sun 4/19	9:00a 10:30a 10:30a  5:00p <i>Birthdays</i>	Divine Service Adult Bible Class & Sunday School Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM Divine Service <i>Jessica Shiers</i>

### Announcements for April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Weekly Devotion Help for April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026:** The "Hymn of the Day" (HOD) for next Sunday is LSB 483 "With High Delight Let Us Unite". Go to <https://www.zionkearney.com/worship> to access a Bible study based on the hymn. We are also taking part in our synod's "Memory Verse Challenge" as we all memorize the same Bible verse each week:

"Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility."

- Ephesians 2:13-14

**Men's Bible Class:** The next Men's Bible Class will be this Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Missions:** The mission for April-June is **Issues, etc.**, a nationally syndicated talk show that discusses theological topics in relation to society. It is hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Here is a link to their archives: <https://issuesetc.org/archive/>

## SCHOOL NEWS

**Plant Sale:** Thank you to everyone who purchased plants. Make sure your customers sign up for a pick up time as well.

**Pick-Up Sign Up:** [www.tinyurl.com/2pccdb4z](http://www.tinyurl.com/2pccdb4z)

**D.A.R.E. Graduation:** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade will be graduating from D.A.R.E.! The ceremony will be April 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:15p in the Fellowship Hall.