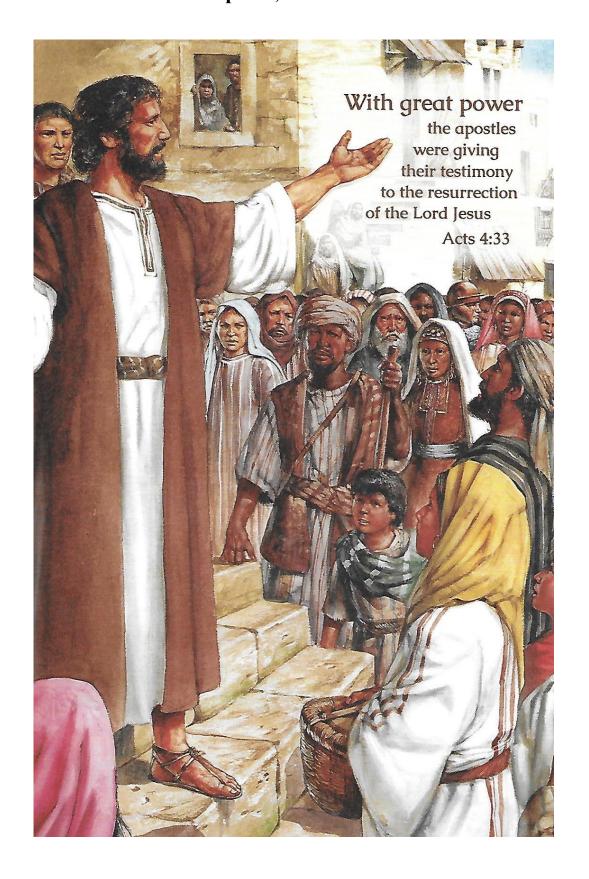
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter | Divine Service One April 7, 2024



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**About the Cover**: Great power characterized the apostles' preaching of Jesus' resurrection. The source of that great power did not come from them but from the One who sent them to speak with His authority. For this great power flows from the great grace of Jesus that was upon them all. Likewise, we today can do nothing apart from the grace of Jesus, who was crucified and raised for us.

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 7, 2024 Divine Service, Setting One

### Ringing of the Bells, Prelude

## Hymn: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

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- 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia! Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
- 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
- 3 Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia! When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
- 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

#### Confession & Absolution

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

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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.

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.

Amen.

#### 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;

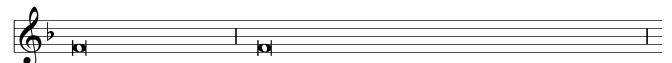
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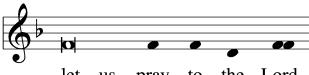
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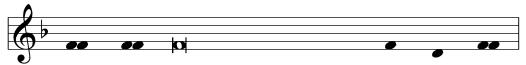
and for all who offer here their worship and praise For this holy house



let pray to the Lord. us



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Al-le - lu - ia,

# This is the Feast of Victory

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



### Salutation & Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

(Sung) And also with you.

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.** 

First Lesson Acts 4:32–35

<sup>32</sup>The full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. <sup>33</sup>And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold <sup>35</sup>and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

This is the Word of the Lord.

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 1:1—2:2

<sup>1</sup>That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— <sup>2</sup>the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— <sup>3</sup>that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

<sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup>If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

<sup>1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup>He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.





Holy Gospel John 20:19–31

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter. (Sung) Glory 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. (Sung) Praise to You, O Christ.

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## Hymn: O Sons and Daughters of the King

ref Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

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

**Sermon:** We Believe The Word That Was Spoken *John 20:19-31* 

### Apostles' Creed (10:45)

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 

→ everlasting. Amen.

### Nicene Creed (8:15)

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,

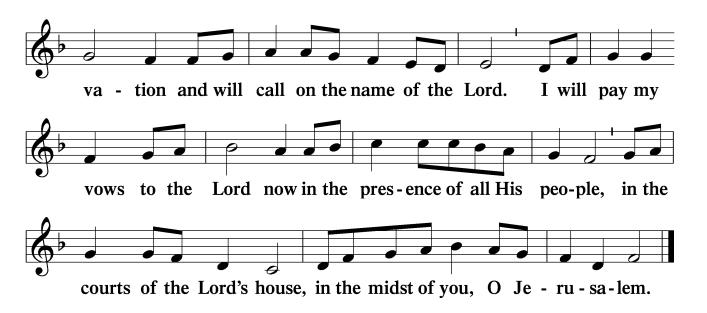
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayer of the Church

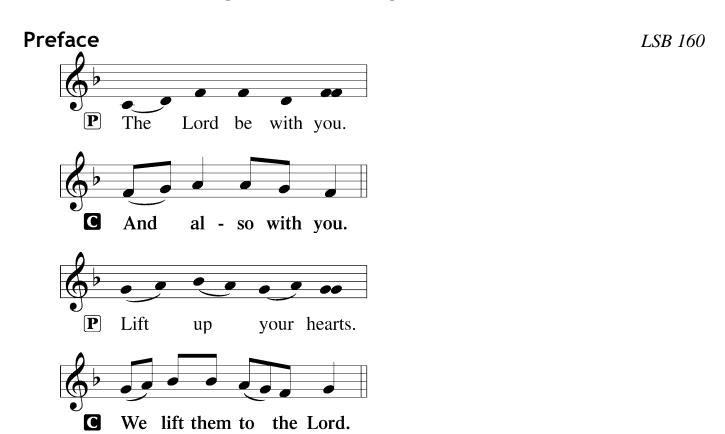
Offering plates are located in the narthex, where you may leave a gift for the Lord's work.

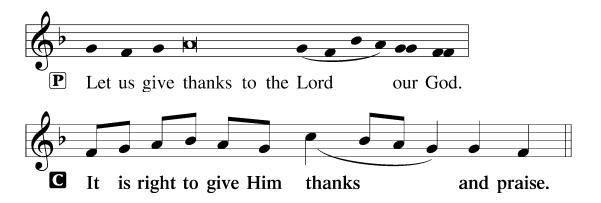




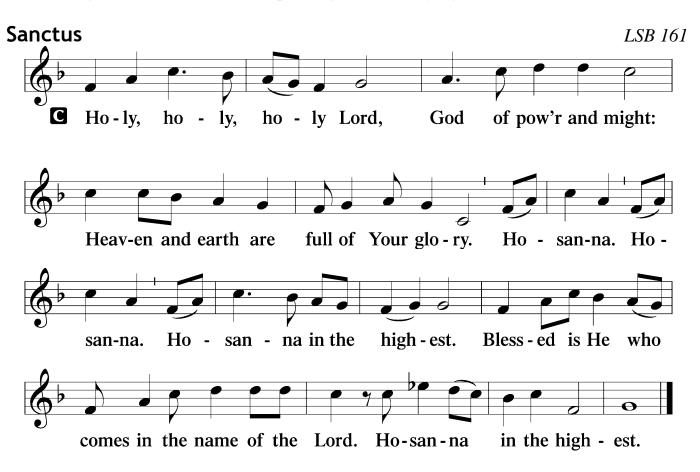
(The 10:45 service concludes with the Lord's Prayer, a concluding collect, the Benediction and the final hymn.)

## + Service of the Sacrament +



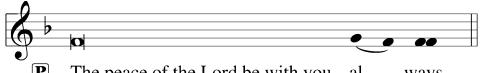


It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



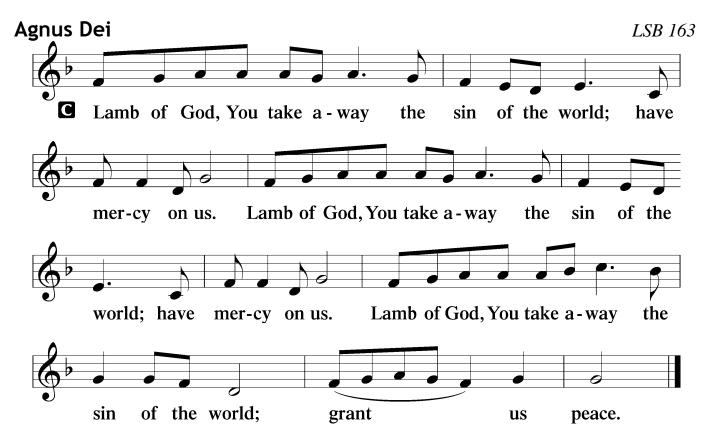
Prayer of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer, Words of Institution





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





Since Holy Communion presupposes a "common unity" of faith and doctrine among those who participate together in this Sacrament, we ask that those who desire to commune with us be confirmed members of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation. Those not able to come to the chancel may speak to the pastor or an elder to commune in their pew. If you have not previously communed here, please speak to the Pastor or an elder. If you are not communing, but would like to come to the chancel for a blessing, please kneel or stand with your arms crossed over your chest.

### Distribution Hymn: Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

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Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!

Death no longer can appall me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!

From the grave will Christ recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.

- Jesus lives! To Him the throne
  High above all things is given.
  I shall go where He is gone,
  Live and reign with Him in heaven.
  God is faithful; doubtings, hence!
  This shall be my confidence.
- Jesus lives! For me He died,
  Hence will I, to Jesus living,
  Pure in heart and act abide,
  Praise to Him and glory giving.
  All I need God will dispense;
  This shall be my confidence.
- 4 Jesus lives! I know full well
  Nothing me from Him shall sever.
  Neither death nor pow'rs of hell
  Part me now from Christ forever.
  God will be my sure defense;
  This shall be my confidence.
- 5 Jesus lives! And now is death
  But the gate of life immortal;
  This shall calm my trembling breath
  When I pass its gloomy portal.
  Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
  Jesus is my confidence!

## Distribution Hymn: This Joyful Eastertide

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1 This joyful Eastertide

Away with sin and sorrow!

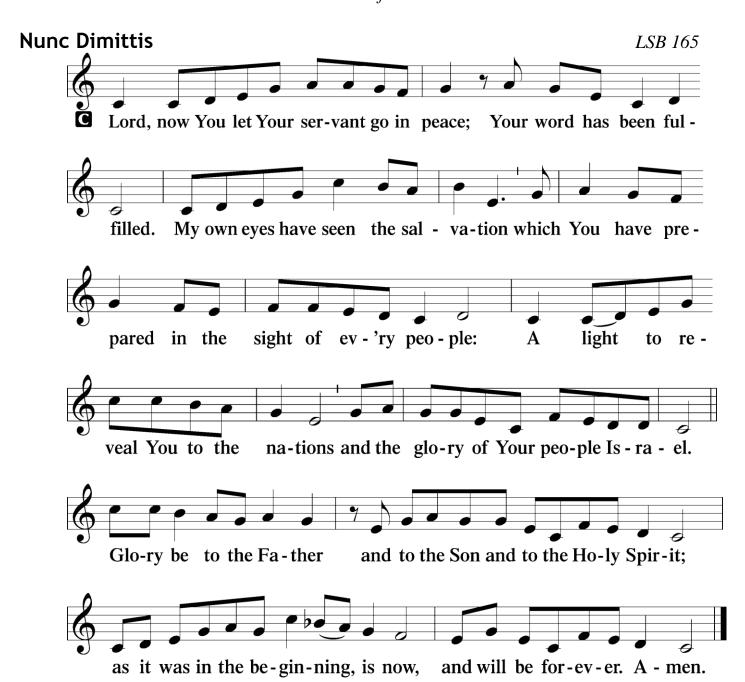
My love, the Crucified,

Has sprung to life this morrow:

Refrain Had Christ, who once was slain,

Not burst His three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!

- Death's flood has lost its chill
   Since Jesus crossed the river;
   Lover of souls, from ill
   My passing soul deliver: *Refrain*
- 3 My flesh in hope shall rest
  And for a season slumber
  Till trump from east to west
  Shall wake the dead in number: Refrain



#### Post- Communion Collect & Benediction

## Hymn: He's Risen, He's Risen

LSB 480

- 1 He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord; He opened death's prison, the\_incarnate, true Word. Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.
- The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
  The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
  In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
  For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.
- 3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose, And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes. The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high; He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.
- O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more; Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door. For all our transgressions His blood does atone; Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.
- △ 5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
  Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
  Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:
  With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

### THANKS TO THOSE ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Wilfred L. Karsten Preacher: Vicar J. Riley Corrigan

**Organist:** Lynette Karsten

Elders: 8:15 Don Freeman; 10:45 Paul Kretschmer Videographers: Rick Serre, Max Serre, Dale Farmer

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This Weeks activities, God Willing		
Sunday, April 7	8:15 a.m.	Divine Service HC
	10:45 a.m.	Divine Service One
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School/BC
	2:00 p.m.	Circuit Youth Bible Bowl @ Holy Cross
Pantry Sunday-Cristo Rey		
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Christian Care
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Vicar's Bible Class
	2 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Blood Drive
	5:30 p.m.	Property Committee
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Fitness
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship
	4:30 p.m.	Bells
	5:00 p.m.	Choir
	5:30 p.m.	Board of Elders
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Pastor's Bible Class
	12:30 p.m.	LWML
Sunday, April 14	8:15 a.m.	Divine Service One
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School/BC
	10:45 a.m.	Divine Service HC

Per HIPPA privacy regulations, if you put someone on the prayer list, please make sure you have first secured their permission to do so.

#### Prayer List

Prayer List emphasis for today: Recovering or on-going health concerns

Serious health conditions: Bethany Albrecht, Fred Poe

In hospice care: Alfred Karsten

### **Birthdays**

4/7 Dianne Guldenpfennig, Anna Schmidt Connolly; 4/9 Josephine Bretl, Sandra Morgan.

The center altar flowers are given in thankfulness for another year of marriage by Scott and Sarah Paller. The side flowers are provided by Dawn Woodworth in celebration of the birthday of her loving mother, Dianne Guldenpfennig.

Holy Cross will host the **Rock Island Circuit Youth Bible Bowl TODAY**, April 7 at 2:00. Everyone is invited. This year's topic is the Gospel of John. Please come and show your support to our youth team.

<u>The Blood Drive</u> is Tuesday April 9, 2024 from 2-6 pm. If you are a regular donor, there needs to be a minimum of 56 days between whole blood donations. The sign-up sheet is in the entryway. Questions? See Marcia Green. There is a great need for blood so if you are able to give please sign up.

Our monthly visit to Christian Care is tomorrow. If you are willing to donate dessert, fruit or would like to serve, please sign the sheet on the table in the entryway.

I would like to give a special thank you to all the members and friends at Holy Cross for the cards, letters, calls and prayers during my cancer journey. God blessings to you all.

Sharon McKean

**Wednesday –Fitness and Fellowship**. Come join in for the 20-minute chair exercises that start at 10:00 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. is Coffee Hour Fellowship with friends. Coffee, tea, and treats are served. Everyone is invited!

**LWML-CID** is collecting for several groups at the district convention for the Gifts from the Heart Ingathering. All of the groups are based in the Quad Cities area except for MOST Ministries (Mission Opportunities Short Term), which is based in Ann Arbor, Michigan. You can also make a monetary donation to the local groups. There are labeled containers in the entrance. Your donations need to be at church by Sunday, April 21. The total **list of items needed is on an insert in the bulletin today**. Any question ask Mary Pement 309-797-6367.

<u>The Rock Island LWML Zone</u> will be hosting the Central Illinois District Convention. On April 26<sup>th</sup> there are servant events from 1-4, supper and a communion service at 6:15. On the 27<sup>th</sup> the convention is from 8:30-3:00. The keynote speaker is Rev. Mark Frith, from the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty.

**Pastor is thinning out his library.** Before you go home, take a look at the table outside his office. Everything is free for the taking.

There is a new Monitor sign-up sheet on the table in the entryway. It is listed as 8:15 and 10:45 services. Please choose whichever service fits your worship habit. In order to keep our church safe, we need to know who is coming and going during the service. Please feel free to sign up for either service. Thank you for serving the Lord in this capacity.

The foot clinic will be held on Thursday March 18. The hours are from 1:00 until 3:30. Please bring a towel and \$35.00. The sign up sheet is on the table in the entry way.

LUTHERAN WORSHIP SERIES: The Kyrie, Sanctus, Pax Domini, Agnus Dei, Nunc Dimittis... Why do Lutherans worship the way they do? **Issues, Etc.**, a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, recently completed a Classical Christian Worship series with Dr. Arthur Just, author of <u>Heaven on Earth: The Gifts of Christ in the Divine Service</u>. You can listen to this six-part series at <u>issuesetc.org/classicalworship</u>.

#### **Prayer List**

**Please help to keep this list current** by calling the church office when a name may be added or removed.

Members in Facilities: Cedarhurst, Moline-Susan Wyant; Crosstown, Silvis- Barb Noah; Park Vista- Ron & Carol Luecke; Woodridge Supportive Living, Galesburg-Dick Ristau; Illini Restorative Care- Henry Setton; Friendship Manor- Dick Hochstetler, Phyllis Thorngren; Mercer Manor, Aledo-Bob Koehler; Cedarhurst Memory Care, Moline- Jan Phillips.

Serving in the Military: Alexa Ellis (daughter of Tera Elliott, granddaughter of Mike and Cheryl McLaughlin), Logan Noard (son of Kyle and Marilyn Noard), Stephen Waugaman (grandson of Donna Knudtson), Cameron Moore (grandson of Lew & Maria Steinbrecher), Matthew Glider (grandson of Doris Glider), Andrew Tolley (son of Carole Tolley), David Revel (son of Craig & Laurie Revel), Jeffrey Teuscher (nephew of Willie Swain), Austin Cox (grandson-in-law of Sieg Paulsen), Matthew Patterson (son-in-law of Mike Waters), Leith Masri, (grandson of Marian Jones), Jakob Ryckeghem (grandson of Connie McKean).

Members of the congregation receiving treatment for cancer: Rev. Murdock, Sharon McKean, Kathrine Hopkins, Larry Bopes.

Friends of the congregation receiving treatment for Cancer: Patti (sister-in-law of Sharon McKean), Natalie Nelson (daughter of Gregg & Tami Winter), Gail Stuenkel, Lisa Crawford, Joanne Lyons, Dave Patterson, Harold Foster, Judy Knudsen, Darlene Atwell, Peggy Arkland (friend of McLaughlin's).

**Serious Health Concerns:** Tony Loritz, friend of Jennifer Swanburg, Edgar Johnson, Susan Raber, Isla Galliart, Emily Scott, Dennis Rusk, Richard Geisler, Heidi Sias, Maureen DeLassus, Kelly Teuscher, Kenny Lackey, Gwen Shrake, Pam and Bill, friends of Gwen Shrake.

**Recovering/Ongoing Health Concerns:** Sandy Bopes, Donald Dawson, Joyce Spidle, Scarlet Durbin, Phyllis Murdock, Sherri Lohse, Barb Noah, David Kramer, Donald Dawson, Kristine Westmoreland, Beryl Edwards, Helen White, Gary Johnson, Fred Poe, Carol Ferrell, Susan Jamieson, Joshua Duburg, Sieg Paulsen, Cindy Davenport.