OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

2nd Weekend of Easter

April 28 & 29, 2019

elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. Also,

- *f* Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- * We love families! Your children are welcome in our service. Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children's bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- *t* Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- f If you want to review or share today's service, you can find it on our website.
- *f* For upcoming events and activities, "like" us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY'S THEME: FAITH FINDS PEACE IS OUR RISEN JESUS

Worship Participants

Liturgist	Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher	Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist	Mrs. Karen Pautz

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Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



THE CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Service continues on pg 6 – Prayer & Praise

HOLY BAPTISM	 10:30 AM ONLY

THE INVOCATION

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- P: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:
- C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.
- **P:** As baptized children of God we confess our sins:
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

- P: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.
- **P:** Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Jordan Brian Seamandel, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Please Stand

EXHORTATION

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Jordan may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

P: Let us pray.

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look

with special favor on Jordan and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

Service continues below – Prayer and Praise

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

HE IS ARISEN! GLORIOUS WORD – Christian Worship #162



THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Let us pray.

O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by your Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be Seated

After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

"Do not be afraid, Abram.

I am your shield,

your very great reward."

² But Abram said, "Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir."

⁴ Then the word of the Lord came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." ⁵ He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

⁶ Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.



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Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.



For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

¹⁹ We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.²⁰ Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia! (*John 20:29*)







On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

²⁴ Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.



THE NICENE CREED

- We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
- We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
- We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY...... "Oh Sons and Daughters of the King"

Christian Worship #165



Please Stand



Please be Seated

THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE 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.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and we praise you especially for the glorious resurrection of your Son, the true Passover Lamb, who by his sacrifice took away the sins of the world and by his resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

THE SACRAMENT





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



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DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice "close communion." We invite all who are members of St. Paul's or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul's, please feel free to contact one of the pastors.

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face" Christian Worship #315



6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Please Stand

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



CLOSING PRAYER

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM: Today in the 10:30 AM service Jordan Brian Seamandel will be received into God's kingdom through holy baptism. Jordan is the son of Jeremy & Karly Seamandel. Serving as his godparents are Josh Nelson and Alyssa Miller. May the Lord bless this family as they grow together in Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Jim & Cory Braun in thanksgiving for their 20th wedding anniversary.

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST HELP: We are looking for volunteers to help serve and clean up our Fellowship Breakfast on Sunday, May 5th. The breakfast will be served from 9:00-10:15 AM. If you are able to help, please contact Stacy Boldt at (262) 470-7253.

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED: Altar Guild is looking for new members! Their primary responsibility is to prepare the altar area for our worship services. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jane Koplein at (414) 510-9291 or by email at janee2005@outlook.com.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP HELP: We are looking for help for our Vacation Bible Camp this summer! Please see today's insert for more information on how you can help. Vacation Bible Camp is July 8-12th.

UPDATED USHER SCHEDULE: There is an updated usher schedule posted in the Usher's room and in your mailboxes. Please take a look and let Kyle know if you have any questions. *We still have several open spots on our usher crews. Please consider serving your congregation in this way. If you are able to help, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

PRESCHOOL & JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN PLAY: Everyone is invited to join us on Friday, May 3rd at 6:30 PM as our Preschool and Junior Kindergarten classes present their play, "Under the Big Top".

PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR: Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: May 9th & 23rd.

UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP EVENTS: In order to encourage everyone getting to know each other, there are a couple of upcoming activities. Below is a brief schedule of those activities.

May 5th – Breakfast between the services June 2nd – Recognition of High School Graduates June 9th – Church Picnic July 10th – Campfire Picnic (VBC)

Please join us. All are welcome!

SEMINARY SCURRY 2019: Saturday, May 4th - 5K Family Run-Walk & 1/2 mile Kids Dash, Check-in @ 9am -Races Start @10am. All participants must register - Free for Grades K-12 -\$20 for Adults. T-Shirt & Lunch is included for all participants - All are invited to a free lunch, bounce house and face painting after the race. Register at www.wls.wels.net/seminary-scurry-2019/ Event information on seminary website contact Hans Thomford – hansthomford@gmail.com

VIKING EXPLORER CAMPS: Hey kids! Don't waste a minute of your summer this year. Attend a camp at Wisconsin Lutheran High School to explore a wide variety of activities and interests in a Christian setting. Camps include: theater, sports, robotics, music, cheerleading, and more! For more information and to register, visit www.wlhs.org/explorers or contact Blair Schaper at 414-453-4567, ext 1326 or blair.schaper@wlhs.org.

LUTHERAN CHORALE CONCERT: The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee will present "Jesus Our Refuge" on Sunday, May 5th at 2:00 & 4:30 PM. The concert will take place at St. John's Lutheran Church, 7809 Harwood Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213. Organ prelude will begin 20 minutes before the concert.

WLHS PRISM CONCERTS: WLHS Prism Concerts will be held Friday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. in the WLHS gymnasium. Enjoy the God-given talents of our student ensembles, solos, duets, choirs

and bands. Advance tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children or at the door, \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets are assigned first come, first served. Purchase tickets in person at the WLHS front office, or visit <u>www.wlhs.org/finearts</u> for online and mail-in registration information.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (April 28 & 29)

8:00 AM – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen 10:30 AM – Tony & Mary Tripoli 6:30 PM – Donna LaBlanc

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (May 5 & 6)

6:00 AM – Corrine Mayer 8:30 AM – Jack & Kathie Klunder 10:30 AM – Walter & Laurie Falkowski

USHERS FOR APRIL

8:00 AM – TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser
10:30 AM – TEAM #8 – Walter Falkowski, Terry Ganyo, Jacob Marciniak, Fred Socha
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

USHERS FOR MAY

8:00 AM – TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling, Brandon Wirtz
10:30 AM – TEAM #5 – Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Gary Eickhorst, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

April 24-30 – TEAM #2 – Jane Koplein, Joan Shevey, Rebecca Kragh May 1-7 – TEAM #2 – Jane Koplein, Joan Shevey, Rebecca Kragh

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

April 28: Set-up – John & Jean Terek, Clean-up – Andy & Chris Backus May 5: Set-up – Tony Tripoli & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Mark & Kristin Hernon

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Statistics – Last Week Maundy Thursday: 3:30 – 107, 6:30 PM – 79 Good Friday: 1:00 PM – 130, 6:30 PM – 261 Easter Sunrise: 121 Easter Festival: 8:30 AM – 412, 10:30 AM – 132

Worship Service with Communion10:30 AM