



Faith
Lutheran Church
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“He has been raised; He is not here. Look, there is the place they laid Him.” Mark 16:6



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re- turns to life once more;
now has found a glo-rious mor- row in the ris - ing of to - day.
We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.



Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,
See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;
All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
an - gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.
Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

[Please, remain standing.]

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

P Merciful God, You are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.
You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of

creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you, Lord God.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P Jesus Christ, You are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you, Lord God.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you, Lord God.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C Amen.

[Please, remain standing if you are able.]

***Hymn of Praise** *Restore in Us* **ELW 328**



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your pow'r; from
3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy; bap -
4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace, that



new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flow'r.
tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

*THE GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Together we pray,

C **O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

[Please, be seated.]

THE WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song.

THE WORD IS READ

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:1-6

1 At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

2 Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest, 3 the Lord appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;

therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

4 Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel!

Again you shall adorn yourself with your tambourines

and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

5 Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit.

6 For there shall be a day when sentinels will call

in the hill country of Ephraim:

“Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God.”

L The word of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

¹ If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

L The Word of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

[Please, stand if you're able.]

***Gospel Acclamation**

Christ is Arisen

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P Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

1 Christ is arisen
from the grave's dark prison.
So let our joy rise full and free;
Christ our comfort true will be.
Alleluia!

2 Were Christ not arisen,
then death were still our prison.
Now, with him to life restored,
we praise the Father of our Lord.
Alleluia!

3 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
So let our joy rise full and free;
Christ our comfort true will be.
Alleluia!

***GOSPEL READING**

John 20:1-18

P A reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’s head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your

God’.”¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her.

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

[Please, be seated.]

THE WORD IS PROCLAIMED

PASTOR ESTEVEZ

[Please, stand if you're able.]

*Hymn of Response

Alleluia!

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our
 sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

***THE CREEDS WE AFFIRM**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

L Together we confess our faith,

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

[Please, be seated.]

THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

L Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

each petition concludes... Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

L God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

THE MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

In thanksgiving for God's blessing, we respond with our tithe and offerings.

Offertory Interlude

[Please, stand if you're able.]

***Offertory Hymn** *We Give Thee, But Thine Own (v. 1)* **ELW 686**



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

*OFFERING PRAYER

L Together we pray,

C **Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the**

body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

***SURSUM CORDA**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also 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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who calls us by our first names and allows us all to take the last name “son or daughter of God.” And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Sanctus**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

P After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

[Please, be seated.]

THE INVITATION

P Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

THE DISTRIBUTION

*As we celebrate the meal of our Lord, all are invited. If you are a guest and regularly commune at your church, you are welcome to commune here. For those not communing, please keep your hands folded, and you will receive a blessing. Bring your child if you wish for him or her to receive a blessing, too. Both **wine (red)** and **grape juice (white)** are available at communion. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, notify the pastor. If you are unable to come to the altar rail and would like to receive communion in your seat, please notify an usher.*

[After all have communed, please stand.]

*P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P Together we pray,

C Holy One, through this meal, you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

THE SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***THE BENEDICTION**

P God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✝ bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

Thine is the Glory

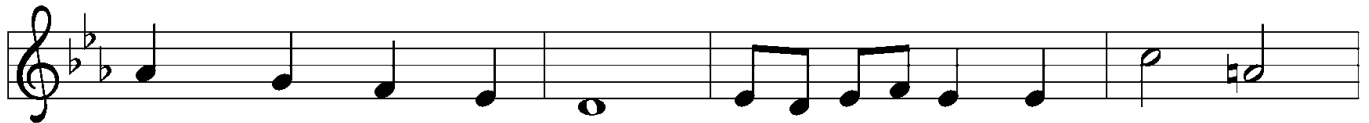
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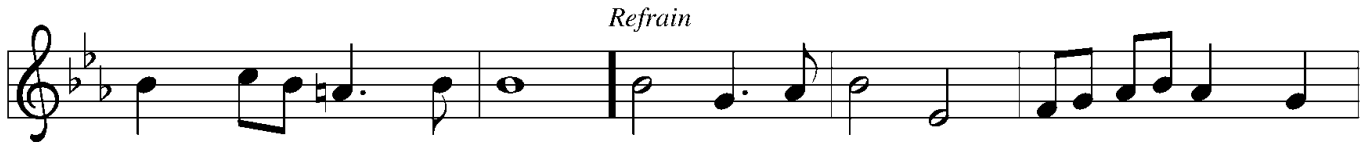
1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

*THE DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Faith's Weekly Announcements

Welcome to all of you attending this morning!

April Ladies Luncheon - Another New Place and Time

In April we will be dining at Grove City Bar & Grill (formerly Ricaltini's). This one has been on my list for us to try for over 2 years and they finally opened recently! Please join us on April 15, 2026, at 12 NOON (note the time change). They are located at 1997 Kentucky Avenue on the corner of Placida Road (near San Casa intersection & stoplight) in Grove City. We will be sitting inside this time. A menu is on the bulletin board in the narthex, along with a sign-up sheet. They have a somewhat limited menu but with lots of great choices: pizzas, sandwiches, salads, as well as a nice selection of entrees for those who like a little bit more at lunch. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, April 12th. Make tax day something to look forward to. For more information, see or call Kathie Wiley (941-662-5383). Sign up today.

Dear Faith Church Family,

On behalf of our family, we wish to express our deepest gratitude for your overwhelming kindness following the passing of our mother, Sylvia. Your prayers, beautiful cards of condolence, and memorial contributions have been a source of great strength. Faith holds a special place in our hearts that words cannot fully express; your concern has provided us with immense comfort during this time. May you be blessed as you continue doing God's work.

With sincere thanks,

Al, Pastor Brian, Lori, and family

Thank You

Jim Hughs wants to thank the Faith family for all the prayers, cards, visits and food you provided. He is healing well and plans to be with us today.

Attendance Last Week: 92

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Every week day morning	6:30 am	AA meets at church
Monday	8:00 pm	AA meets at church
Tuesday	7:30 am	Men's Breakfast
	8:30 am	Work Crew
	9:00 am	Chicks
Wednesday	3:00 pm	Bible Study
Sunday	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Coffee Fellowship
	10:45 am	Morning worship

WE PRAY FOR...

Tracie Thompson
Barbara Rodvik

Bob Ash
Ginny Linsberg

Jim Hughs
Shirley Rice

Serving Today

Altar Guild: Mary Lou Fitzgerald

Lector/ Worship Assistant: Brian Lindhurst

Ushers: Art Hanson, Don Penrod, Jim Hughs

Your church council: Jeff Petersen (President), Jeff Kamm (Vice President), Dave Johnsen (Secretary), Jim Porter (Treasurer), Sue Baran, Jan Moynihan, Gene Newlon, Ken Stephens and Dave Woodliff.

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Our Guiding Principle: GOD'S GRACE WINS....

As we WORSHIP Jesus as our Lord and Savior

As we LOVE one another, welcoming everyone

As we SERVE, inspired by the Holy Spirit

As a deep FAITH is taught and caught

As we make WITNESS and MISSION our life



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