

Fueled by Christ's redeeming love, St. John's is called into a joyful life of welcoming hospitality, grace-filled worship, transformational relationships, and Gospel-driven service in the world. St. John's is an RIC congregation.

A vibrant community living faith boldly through Welcoming, Worshiping, Healing, and Serving

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT 2nd Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024

Welcome! Whether in the pews or online, whether for the first time or you've come more times than you can count, we are glad you are here. You are welcome to participate in every part of the worship service, <u>including</u> Holy Communion. Those of you joining online are invited to prepare a cracker or piece of bread and some juice or wine for partaking at that point in the service. Those in person are encouraged to sit in the forward half of the sanctuary both for audio and visual benefit. You're invited to create and wear a name tag, and to fill out a Fellowship Card from your pew rack and hand it to an usher.

PRELUDE

Christ Is Alive!

Wilbur Held



WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

ELW 389 vv. 1-5

GREETING

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

And also with you.



HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p. 101



SALUTATION

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, after your death and resurrection you sent your followers into the world to proclaim your resurrection to the entire world. Send us into the world to bear witness to all you have done in our lives. Amen.

During the singing of verses 1 & 3 of "Won't You Come...," children of every age are invited forward to join Edith in the front pew for the Word of the Week. Visitors are welcome!



WORD OF THE WEEK

Edith Bohardt

After the Word of the Week, children may return to be with their families in the pews or go to 'Grace Space' in the back of the sanctuary while the people repeat verses 1 & 3 of 'Won't You Come....'

FIRST READING

A Reading from Acts, the first chapter:

¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

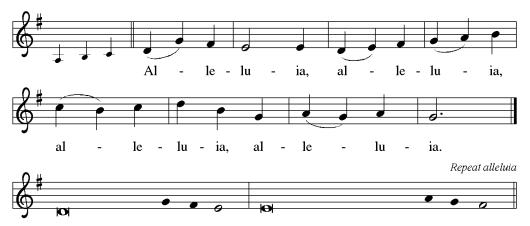
¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p. 102

Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

GOSPEL READING

The holy gospel according to Mark, the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Day of Resurrection!

Pastor Mark Tiede

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ELW 361
vv. 1, 3, 4
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APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Your church cries out, O God, and you listen. As you drew near to your original disciples back then, draw near to us today. Breathe on us the Holy Spirit, that our faith is renewed, and we give witness to your love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your creation cries out, O God, and you listen. Nurture trees, crops, wildflowers, and all growing things. Guide farmers, gardeners, arborists, and others who tend the soil and nurture plants into life. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your world cries out, O God, and you listen. Guide police, firefighters, paramedics, and other first responders to work for the well-being of communities and the dignity of every person, so that no one may need to live in fear. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your children cry out, O God, and you listen. Hear your people crying out for justice, for an end to racism and other oppression, and for a world where all are fed and safe. We pray for all who cry out in suffering or pain, especially Kathy Cashin, Brian Conrad, Bruce Walker, Lana Tiede, Debbie Tuvey, George Tuvey, Nels Tuvey, Debra Jacobs, Sandy Rader, Kris Schepers, Karen O., Jeannie C, Michelle Dehn, Marlys Goebel, Nancy Johnson, Darrell Christoferson, Larry Fraser, Pastor Bill Russell, Ron Hasselmann, and others we name in our hearts *An intentional moment of silence* God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your congregations cry out, O God, and you listen. Renew pastors, deacons, musicians, and other staff, administrators, and volunteers who facilitated Holy Week and Easter worship. Open our hearts to discern where God calls each of us to serve. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Accept our gratitude, O God, for the lives of those who now rest in you and all whose lives have been given in faithfulness to the gospel. Grant us your peace amid our fears. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

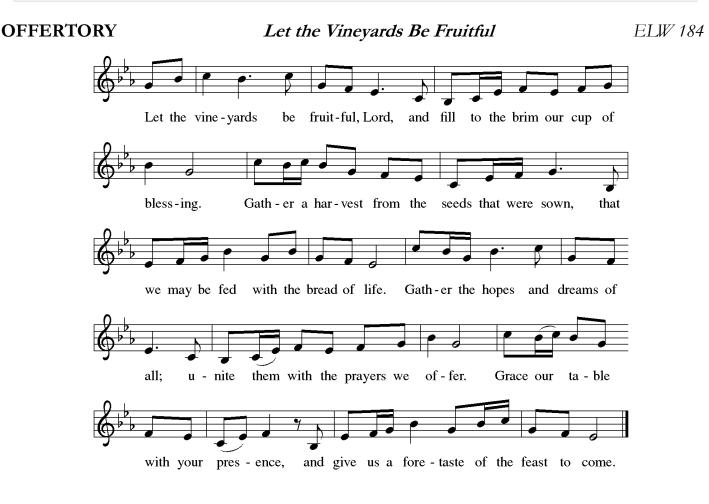
OFFERING

Musical Offering

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Valerie Shields

A word about 'The Offering' The offering is an important part of Christian worship. In all other parts of the liturgy we receive from God forgiveness, love, peace and hope. In the offering we actively participate in God's grace by giving an offering. The Offering Cards available in the pew racks are intended to represent both your non-financial generosity and the financial contributions you may have made electronically during the week. Your offerings, offering cards, and pledge cards may be placed in the offering plates set near the sanctuary entrances.



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927 Text and music © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

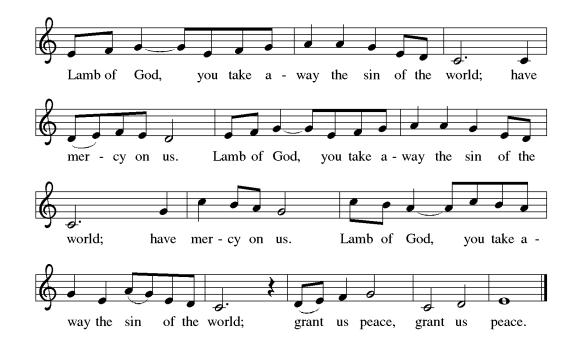
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God

ELW p. 112



All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Communion will be served in continuous fashion as directed by the Ushers. Wafers, wine (red) and grape juice (white) are offered. Anyone choosing to not commune is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. If you would like communion brought to you in the pew, please let an Usher know.



Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958 Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol Text from Oxford Book of Carols, © Oxford University Press 1928. All rights reserved.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish you, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BENEDICTION

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. Amen.

SENDING HYMN	Alleluia! Sing to Jesus	ELW 392 vv. 1-3
DISMISSAL Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!		
POSTLUDE	Postlude on 'Hyfrydol'	David Lasky



Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936 Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789 Text © 1975, rev. 1995 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved. Used by permission. The Day of Resurrection!



Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt. Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt. Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

WORSHIP NOTES

- Sunday morning worship is at 10 a.m. in person and online
 Live on YouTube (link posted on St. John's Facebook page and website)
- Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday.
- Grace Place Nursery will be open 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. on Sundays.
- Activities for children are available at the back of the sanctuary in Grace Space.
- Fellowship time will be offered following worship each Sunday.

The Offering is an important part of Christian worship. In addition to placing your offering in the plate, you may also contribute offerings to the ministries of St. John's by:

- **TEXT** the word 'Give' to 612-800-0444 and follow the prompts,
- · GIVE through our website or your Breeze member app, or
- MAIL your check to: St. John's Lutheran Church

4842 Nicollet Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55419

• **USE this QR code:** Point phone camera at code and tap the yellow bar



Videos on our YouTube channel include:

- Worship services
- 'God's Work · Our Hands' recap

Follow St. John's on our Facebook pages:

StJohnsMpls & St. John's Lutheran Church Group.

St. John's 'Guest' WiFi pw: #MartinLuther

Readings for April 14—Easter 3

Acts 3:1-10 (Mark 6:53-56)

You are welcome to take a plant with you today to bring home or deliver to a homebound member or friend.

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Our Life Together

Today Nursery for age 3 and younger, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Fellowship** *following worship* (FH) Grace Place, 11:15 a.m. for children (top floor) Worship Committee, 11:15 a.m. (Lounge) Monday, April 8 Admin Team, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom) Tuesday, April 9 Cross+Generational Team, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom) Lenten Book Study, 6:30 p.m. (Lounge & Zoom) Metropolitan Men's Choir, 7 p.m. (FH) Wednesday, April 10 Missionary Circle, 12 noon (Lounge) Confirmation at Bethlehem, 6:30 p.m. St. John's Choir, 6:45 p.m. (Lounge) Thursday, April 11 ECFE (Child Care), 5:30 p.m. (FH) Saturday, April 13 Metropolitan Men's Choir, 9 a.m. (Chapel) Sunday, April 14—Easter 3 Worship with Holy Communion, 10 a.m. in person & online, nursery available 9:30-12:30 Fellowship & Packing of Food Backpacks following worship (FH) Grace Place, 11:15 a.m. for children (top floor) Lutheranism 101, 11:15 a.m. (Chapel)

LENTEN BOOK STUDY continues this Tuesday evening with selection #5, two excerpts by Annie Dillard from *Listening for God*, *V*. 1.

WOMEN'S RETREAT—*Saturday, April 20th, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at LCGS* The women of St. John's are invited to this joint retreat with Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 'Our Story/God's Story," guided by Diane Millis, PhD. Each of us has a unique life story that matters. God's story is given to us through Scripture. Come for conversation, come to learn, come to grow deeper in your faith. Registration is \$35 and includes a box lunch. Please see Edith to register.

TANGLETOWN GARAGE SALE TASK FORCE FORMING NOW!

St. John's will be participating in the Tangletown Garage Sale this year during the first weekend in May. We need people to form a task force to plan the sale, which will include pricing merchandise and deciding what merchandise to sell. If you would be willing to help, please let Edith know.

We are also looking for people to help work at the sale. The hours for the sale are *Friday, May 3rd 9AM-4PM and Saturday, May 4 9AM-4PM*. If you can work at all during this time, please let Edith know.



Bishop Candidate Forums

Bishop Candidate Forum # 1 Sunday, April 7, 2024

2:00PM to 4:00PM: Moderated discussion with candidates. **4:00PM to 4:30PM:** Meet and greet with candidates, light refreshments provided.

> Our Saviour's Lutheran Church 19001 Jackson St NE, East Bethel, MN 55011

Bishop Candidate Forum # 2 Wednesday, April 10, 2024

7:00PM to 9:00PM: Moderated discussion with candidates. 9:00PM to 9:30PM: Meet and greet with candidates, light refreshments provided. *Spanish interpretation available during this forum

> Immanuel Lutheran Church 16515 Luther Way, Eden Prairie, MN 55346

Bishop Candidate Forum # 3 Saturday, April 13, 2024

10:00AM to 12:00PM: Moderated discussion with candidates.
 12:00PM to 12:30PM: Meet and greet with candidates, light refreshments provided.
 *Spanish and ASL interpretation available during this forum

Bethel Lutheran Church 4120 17th Ave. South, Minneapolis, MN 55407

> Bishop Candidate Forum # 4 Tuesday, April 16, 2024

7:00PM to 8:30PM: Moderated discussion with candidates. *Spanish and ASL interpretation available during this forum Zoom Link will be made available no later than April 4, 2024

You may visit the webpage at <u>https://mpls-synod.org/2024-bishop-election</u> for introductions to the current candidates discerning a call to the office of bishop.

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Our Mission:

Fueled by Christ's redeeming love, St. John's is called into a joyful life of welcoming hospitality, grace-filled worship, transformational relationships, and Gospel-driven service in the world.

Our Core Values:

Welcoming

Celebrating and caring for all people. Our doors are open. You belong. Come as you are.

Worshiping

Gathering together to joyfully thank God in prayer and praise for Jesus, who calls us, centers us, and sends us into the world.

Healing

Reflecting God's unconditional grace and love by walking together through the joys and pains of life.

Serving

Gratefully responding to the needs of the world with the abilities God has gifted us.

Our Vision for the Future:

A vibrant community living faith boldly