

# Welcome to First Lutheran Church

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Resurrection of our Lord/Easter Day

March 31, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

SHARE THE EASTER PEACE



\*Gathering Song: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (ELW 365) Trumpet arrangement is by Tim Brace & Connie Burton

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our tri - umphant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

### \*Easter Proclamation

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

People: **He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### \*Prayer of the Day:

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: **Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### \*Gospel Acclamation



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.

### \*Gospel Announcement

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord**

### Gospel: John 20:1-18

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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." <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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." <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>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." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>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.'" <sup>18</sup>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.

**Gospel Response:**

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord  
People: Praise to you, O Christ.

*The assembly is seated.*

**Children's Message**

**Pastor Hans Anderson**

**Message- "Indescribable Joy"**

**Pastor Hans Anderson**

**Hymn of the Day: "Thine is the Glory" (LBW 145)**

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 nought 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

*Refrain*  
Where thy bod - y lay.  
Death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son;  
To thy home a - bove.

End - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won!

## \*Statement of Faith – 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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

## \*Prayers of Intercession:

Pastor: 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.*

Pastor: Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day. God of grace,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**

## Offering

### \*Offertory Prayer

**People:** Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal.

Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness.

Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace.

We pray this in your name.

**Amen.**

### \*Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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.

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### \*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;**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

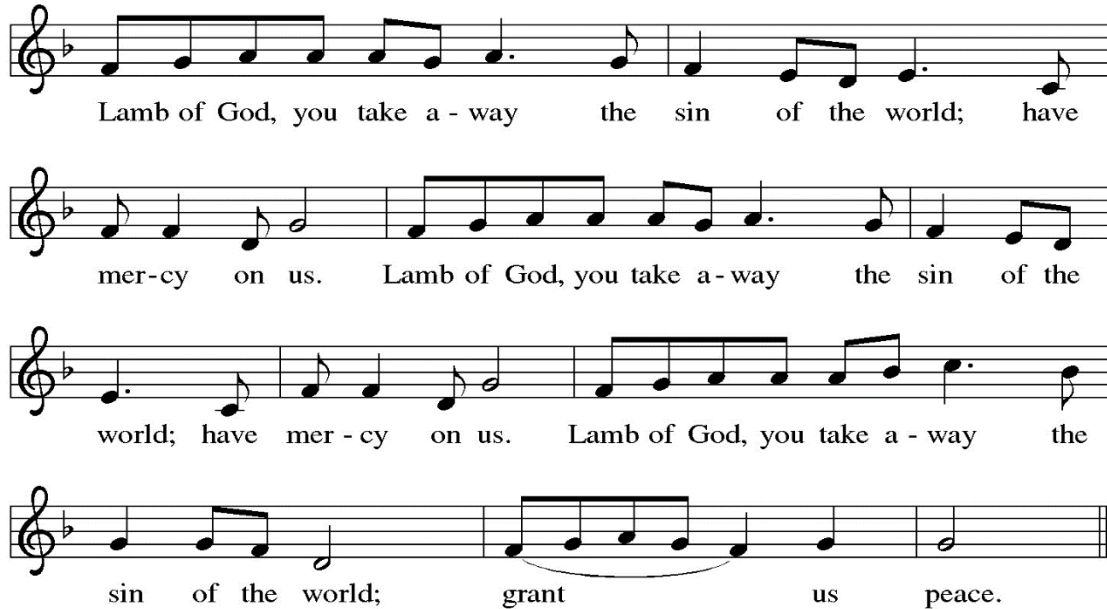
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## † Communion †

*All who believe in the death and resurrection as given in this bread and wine are welcome to the table today.  
If you are unable to come forward, communion can be served in your pew—please let the ushers know.  
Gluten free wafers are available from the communion server upon request.*

### Holy Communion Distribution



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.

### \*Post Communion Prayer:

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: **Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### \*Blessing:

Pastor: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

People: **Amen.**



\*Sending Hymn: "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" (ELW 392)

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 -

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

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

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

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.

**\*Sending**

Pastor: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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**Easter Breakfast**

Please join us this morning for Easter Breakfast made and served by youth who will be attending the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans ,July 14-21.



The Senior High Youth attending the National Youth Gathering are **Ashley Shamp, Maddie Knapp, Kaya Anderson, Hudson Juel, Zairion English, Camden Zinda, Blake Hoplin, and Bella Raasch**. The adults accompanying these youth are **Pastor Hans Anderson and Kayci Finley**.

**Thank you to Thomas Olmstead** for sharing his wonderful music with us today.

**“Quiet Activity Bags”** are available for children’s use during worship. They are at the back of the sanctuary on the right-hand side.







**Reader:**  
**Communion Assistants:**  
**Zoom:** Cora Hohnstadt  
**Sound:** Denice Smith  
**Ushers:** Paul Pearson & Vince Norman  
**Altar Guild:** Annette Newton & Gloria Johnson  
**Counter:** Brenda Anderson

**Texts for next Sunday:** Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John: 1:1-2.2; John 20:19-31

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday Services** at First Lutheran continue to be in-person and via Zoom. We hope to see you in person. But if you prefer to participate through Zoom, go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) and select the blue "Join a Meeting" link. Sunday worship, 9:00 a.m. – Meeting ID is 823-6162-1569 Passcode is 367288

**Bulletins can be sponsored** for \$25.00 per week. The sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

Last Week's NOISY OFFERING gave \$ to the Pine River Area Food Shelf

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** Current college students and high school graduates as well as any members planning on being in a post-secondary program next year are encouraged to apply for church scholarships. If you have received a scholarship in the past, you can apply again; but you must submit a new application to be considered. If you are a college student who has not applied previously you can apply for next year. Application forms can be picked up at the church office or mailed to you. To ensure that your application receives equal consideration for the available funds, it is important that it be returned to the church office by May 2.

**\*\* Remember, the only way to receive a scholarship is to apply\*\***

First Lutheran has an active **Sun Shine Ministry** that needs your help! Cards are sent and visits made to those who are ill, grieving, lonely, celebrating a birth or experiencing a big life change. If you or someone you know should receive a card or a visit please contact the church office @ 218-587-2316 or Pastor Anderson @ 218-820-2969

**Thank you** to the following people who provided the Easter Garden for today's worship service.  
If you purchased a plant, you are welcome to take it home with you after worship service today.

<u>Name</u>	<u>In honor/memory of</u>
Art & Shirley Schmidt	
Paul & Sheila Sechser	Our grandchildren
Wendy & Sandy Heino	Our parents, Al & Lorraine Carter
Sandy Gilbertson	
Irene Gearey	John & Jim
Linda Hester	Ralph and Lillian Peterson
Jim & Marlys Riess	
Anonymous	

## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, March 31, 2024

#### *Easter Sunday*

Festival of the Resurrection, Easter Worship Service	9:00 AM
Easter Breakfast	10:00 AM
<b>NO</b> Sunday School	

### Wednesday, April 3, 2024

Meal	5:00 PM
Video	6:00 PM

### Thursday, April 4, 2024

Dorcias Circle	9:00 AM
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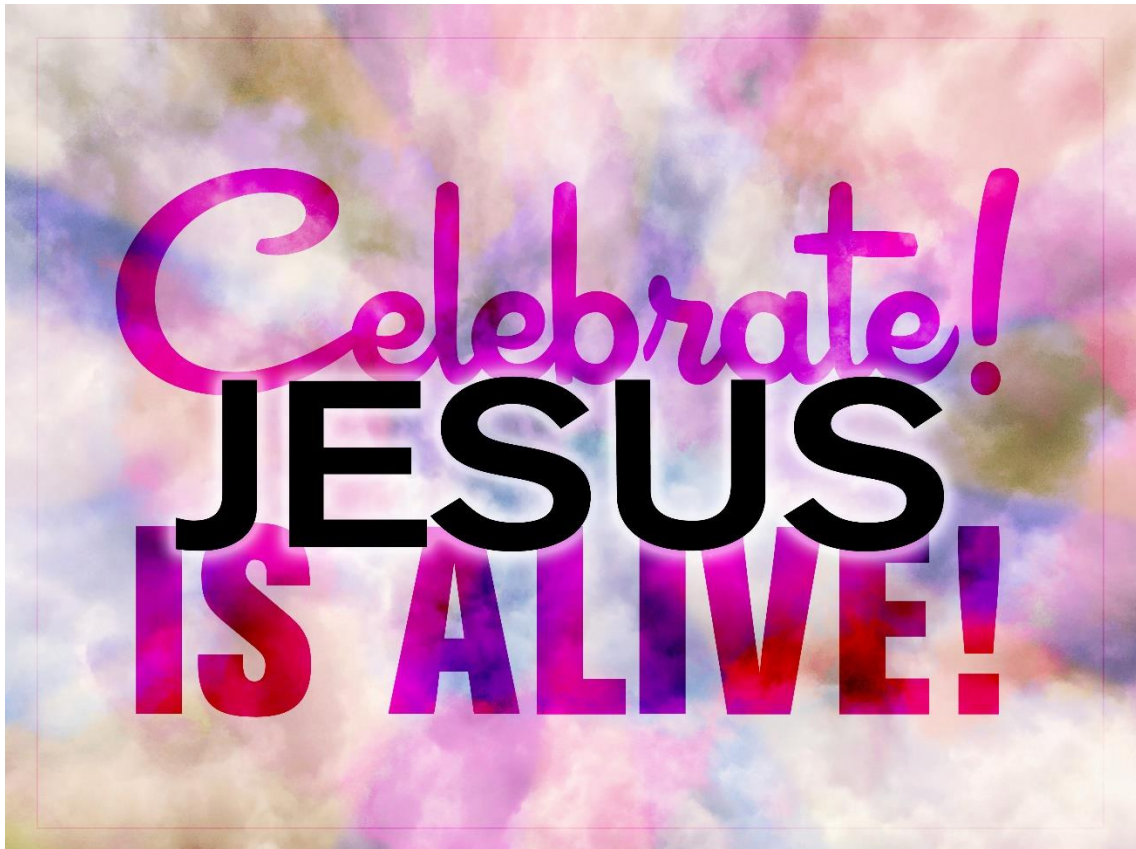
### Sunday, April 7, 2024

#### *2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

Worship Service ( <i>in-person &amp; Zoom</i> )	9:00 AM
Coffee & Fellowship	10:00 AM
Sunday School	10:15 AM
New Member Classes	10:15 AM

*If you are not able to attend the Worship Service in person, you will still be able to listen to the sermon or watch video of the service online. .*

*Links will be on First Lutheran's website and on our Facebook page by Monday morning.*



Those with medical concerns...

Caleb Prushek, great nephew of Jane Orth

Cleone Hoplin

Barb Richards

Lars Larson

Clifford, great grandson of Leonard and Jan Nelson

Bonnie Bandy, sister of Shirley Schmidt

Andy Anderson

Denny Aleckson

Harvey and Marion Kelley

Penny Siewert

Gordon Greenwald, friend of Cora Hohnstadt



Those in the service...

SMSgt Bradford, son of Bill & Kaye Schroeder

Captain A.J. Depman, nephew of Bill & Kaye Schroeder

### ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Sunday, March 24, 2024                      Attendance: 82

Offering:

Mar. 24, 2024              \$1,774.00              Weekly Budget: \$3,132.40

Direct Deposit:              \$ 275.00

Total Offering:              \$2,049.00

Year-to-Date (Fiscal year starts September 1)

Giving: \$86,902.05                      Expenses: \$75,583.94

Income less Expenses for February:

\$11,473.25 - \$10,623.83 = \$849.42

If you would like a visit from pastor or have a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Hans Anderson at 218-820-2969 or email him at [pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com](mailto:pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com)

## Group Names for Birds

A bevy of quail  
A bouquet of pheasants [when flushed]  
A brood of hens  
A building of rooks  
A cast of hawks [or falcons]  
A charm of finches  
A colony of penguins  
A company of parrots  
A congregation of plovers  
A cover of coots  
A covey of partridges [or grouse or ptarmigans]  
A deceit of lapwings  
A descent of woodpeckers  
A dissimulation of birds  
A dole of doves  
An exaltation of larks  
A fall of woodcocks  
A flight of swallows [or doves, goshawks, or cormorants]  
A gaggle of geese [wild or domesticated]  
A host of sparrows  
A kettle of hawks [riding a thermal]

A murmuration of starlings  
A murder of crows  
A muster of storks  
A nye of pheasants [on the ground]  
An ostentation of peacocks  
A paddling of ducks [on the water]  
A parliament of owls  
A party of jays  
A peep of chickens  
A pitying of turtledoves  
A raft of ducks  
A rafter of turkeys  
A siege of herons  
A skein of geese [in flight]  
A sord of mallards  
A spring of teal  
A tidings of magpies  
A trip of dotterel  
An unkindness of ravens  
A watch of nightingales  
A wedge of swans [or geese, flying in a "V"]  
A wisp of snipe

