

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Resurrection of Our Lord



5:00pm - April 16, 2022

7:30, 9:00, 10:30am - April 17, 2022

SEVEN THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT BETHANY'S **WORSHIP**

- ◆ **Welcome to Bethany!** All are welcome at Bethany Lutheran Church and this community is enriched because you are here. We are together for good! If you have questions or would like to consider making Bethany your church home, visit our website Bethany-Denver.org. The pastoral team is available to speak with you.
- ◆ **The 2 Worship Services:** Bethany has two distinct services: the 8:30am Traditional service is a worship gathering utilizing the full Lutheran Liturgy. The 10:00am Creative service takes the day's scripture themes and explores them in new and creative ways.
- ◆ **Participating in Worship:** There will be times during worship when you are invited to stand, but if it is more comfortable or more meaningful for you to remain seated, please feel free to do so.
- ◆ **Communion Statement:** Everyone gathered for worship is invited to take part in Communion. Jesus did not place any barriers around who received communion and neither does Bethany.
- ◆ **Staffed Nursery:** We love having children in worship! However, if you would like directions to our nursery, staffed by a 3rd grade teacher, please speak with an usher.
- ◆ **Hearing Assistance Device:** Please see the Sound Tech in the A/V booth at the rear of the Sanctuary if you need a hearing assistance device.
- ◆ **Connection Card:** We want to know we are in worship together! Please take a moment to fill out our Digital Connection Card, simply scan the QR code below with your phone's camera to open the form.



✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE

EASTER LITANY

GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (vs. 1-3)

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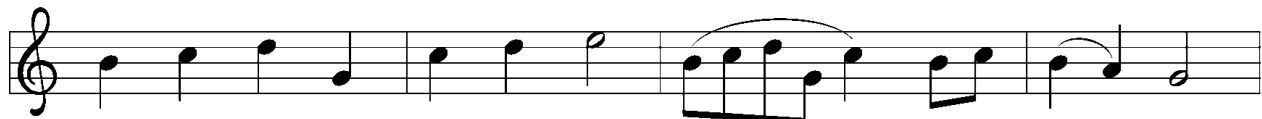
You are invited to stand



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!



our tri - um - phant 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!



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!



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!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

GREETING

Pastor Gary Sandberg

Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

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.

KYRIE

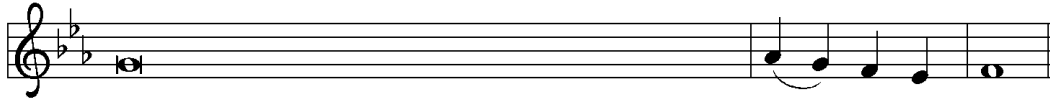
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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



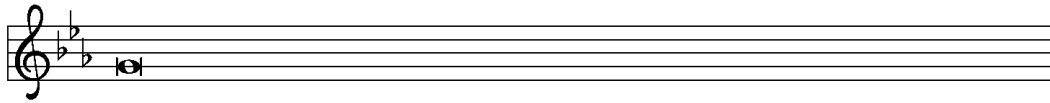
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



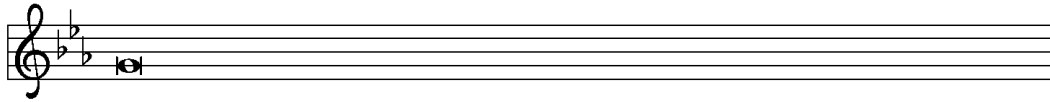
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.




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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

WELCOME

ANTHEM

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

Arr. John Ferguson

Chancel Choir, dir. James Kim

(Sunday 9:00 & 10:30am)

*"Christ the Lord is risen today!" All on earth with angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply.
Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the battle won,
Lo! The sun's eclipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids his rise; Christ has opened paradise.
Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once he died, our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?
Hail, the lord of earth and heaven! Praise to thee by both be given.
Thee we greet triumphant now; Hail, the resurrection, thou!
King of glory, soul of bliss, everlasting life is this:
Thee to know, thy power to prove, thus to sing, and thus to love!*

✠ Word ✠

LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

Through the prophet, God promises a new heaven and a new earth. Weeping will pass away, life will be abundant for God's people, and the world—including the wild animals—will be at peace.

- ¹⁷I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
- ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.
- ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.
- ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
- ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- ²³They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD - and their descendants as well.
- ²⁴Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent - its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

Luke 24:1-12

Pastor Nate Preisinger

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

SERMON

Pastor Gary Sandberg



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
 2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured death's dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt.
 Music: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

NICENE CREED

Intern Rita Argus

**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

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of peace with others around you. After sharing the Peace, please be seated.

✠ Offering ✠

ABUNDANTLY BETHANY

Pastor Nate Preisinger

To fill out your digital connection card, go here www.tinyurl.com/BethanyConnect.

OFFERING

You can give in the following ways; Thank you for your gifts!

- (1) On our **website**, find the giving button in the header or under the Get Involved tab at Bethany-Denver.org.
- (2) Through the [Bethany Connect App/Realm](#)
- (3) Use a card at the kiosk in the Welcome Center
- (4) Use your phone's camera to **scan this QR Code**
- (5) **Mail** in your check to the office (4500 E. Hampden Ave. Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113)



OFFERTORY MUSIC

Alleluia, Love Is Alive

Sounds of Praise, dir. Paula Wills

(Saturday, 5:00pm)

J. Manibusan, S. Hart & S. Angrisano

*People of God see the morning is new, rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb.
Come and see! Come and see! He is alive!
A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled, God who was with us is here with us still.
He is here! He is here! He is alive!
Alleluia! Love is alive! Conquered the grave and defeated the night.
Alleluia! Love is alive! The Son has arisen for all. Your people sing alleluia.
People of God let your fear fall away, your chains have been broken, abandon your shame.
Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive!
Here now is mercy embracing your soul. Here the fulfillment that once was foretold.
It is true! It is true! He is alive!
People of God now rejoicing in Christ. Carry your joy to the darkness of night.
Tell the world! Tell the world! He is alive!
Hear the good news of this glorious day. Every heart singing as heaven proclaims
He is Lord! He is Lord! He is alive!*

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today
(Sunday, 7:15am)

arr. John Leavitt

*Chancel Choir, dir. James Kim
Denver Brass*

An Easter Fanfare
(Sunday, 9:00 & 10:30am)

Don Besig & Nancy Price

*People of God, rejoice and sing, lift up your voices and let them ring.
Sing Alleluia! He is risen, our Savior and King!
People of God, rejoice and believe, this is the day He sets us free,
Sing Alleluia! Jesus, the Savior is risen indeed!
The strife is o'er, the battle done; the victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun: Alleluia!
People of God, rejoice in praise, we have His Son to show us the way.
Sing alleluia! Jesus, our Savior is risen today!*

✠ Meal ✠

WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Pastor Nate Preisinger

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. **And al- so 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.

PREFACE

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

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

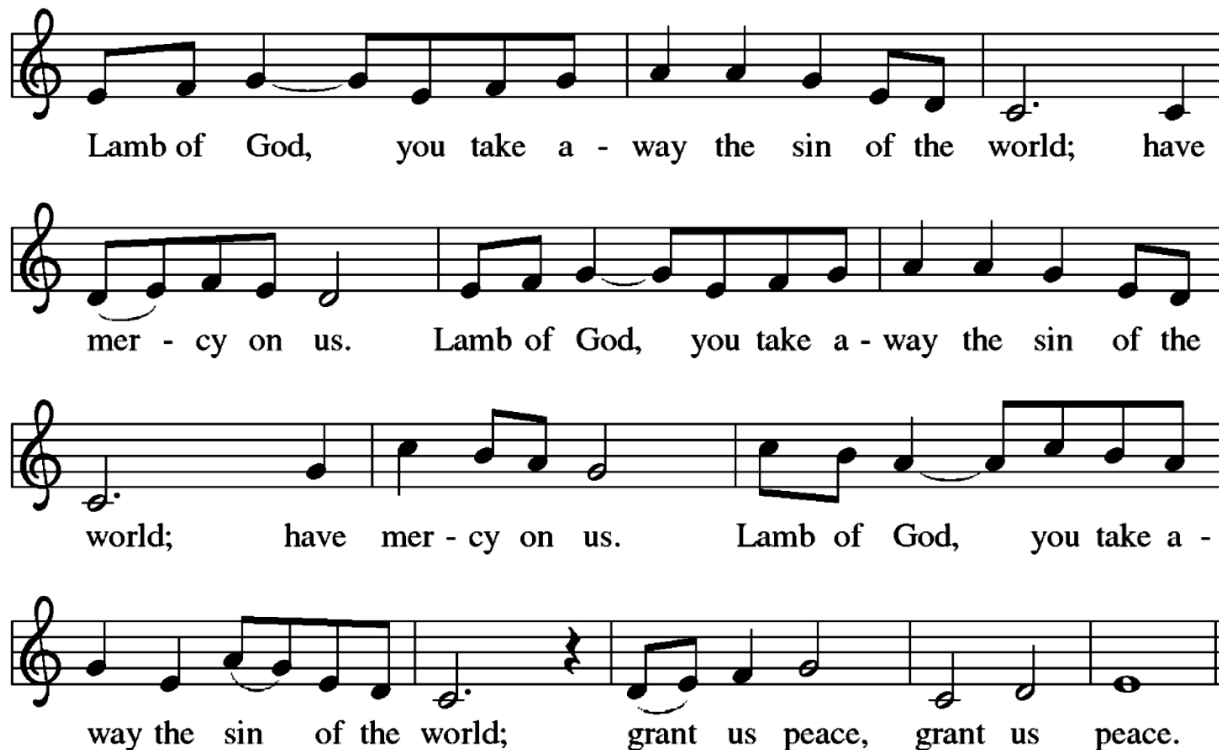
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTION

Bethany welcomes all to receive the body and blood of Christ in Holy Communion. An usher will direct you forward for communion where you'll be handed a communion set. There are several stations across the front of the seating sections. Groups are welcome to visit a communion station together. Those who are not receiving communion are invited to cross their arms across their chests to receive a blessing. Note that each communion station has gluten-free bread sets available. Please take your empty communion cup with you as you leave the Sanctuary. There are trash receptacles at the doors.

LAMB OF GOD



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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Sounds of Praise, dir. Paula Wills

Our God Reigns
(Saturday, 5:00pm)

Leonard E. Smith Jr.

*How lovely on the mountains are the feet of Him who brings good news, good news.
Announcing peace proclaiming news of happiness; Our God reigns, our God reigns.
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!*

*It was our sin and guilt that bruised and wounded Him; It was our sin that brought Him down.
When we like sheep had gone astray our Shepherd came, And on His shoulders bore our shame.
Out of the tomb He came with grace and majesty. He is alive! He is alive!
God loves us so see here His hands His feet His side. Yes we know - He is alive!*

COMMUNION MUSIC

With High Delight Let Us Unite
(Sunday, 7:15am)

arr. John Leavitt

Chancel Choir, dir. James Kim
Denver Brass

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
(Sunday, 9:00 & 10:30am)

arr. Noel Goemanne

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood.
Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how:
Though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore."?
Alleluia! Bread of angels, here on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
Alleluia! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth your footstool, heaven your throne:
You, within the veil, have entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest;
Here on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE
Chancel Choir, dir. James Kim
Denver Brass

"Hallelujah" from Messiah
(Sunday, 9:00 & 10:30am)

G.F. Handel

✠ Sending ✠

BENEDICTION

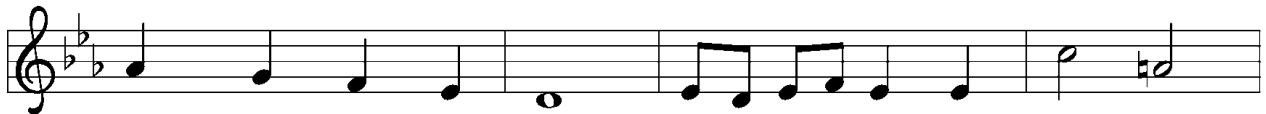
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1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets 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
 to thy home a - bove.



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

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939
 Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

DISMISSAL*Pastor Gary Sandberg*

Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed, Alleluia.**

Go in peace, serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Finale from Symphony I

Louis Vierne

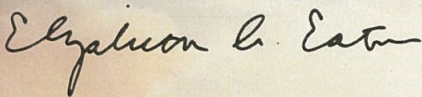
This Easter, many of us will be able to gather in person for glorious celebrations of our Lord's resurrection. But the first Easter was in a cemetery, surrounded by tombstones. The women and then the men disciples came to see what had happened to their Lord. They expected to find a dead body, but instead they found God's defiant answer to death.

As St. Paul writes in Corinthians, "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Oh, death, where is your victory? Oh, death, where is your sting?"

I know now that we're entering the third year of this pandemic, and we see the signs of stress and incivility, even the signs of war and disease in Ethiopia and Sudan, in Europe. It might seem like death still has sway, but we can declare confidently on this Easter and all times what Job said, "I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh, I shall see God."

Centuries ago, the Russian Orthodox developed this beautiful poem, the Kontakion of the Departed. It's often used at gravesites. "Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind, and we are mortal, formed of the earth and to the earth shall we return. For so you did ordain when you created a thing. You are dust and to dust you shall return. All of us go down to the dust. Yet even at the grave we make our song. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."

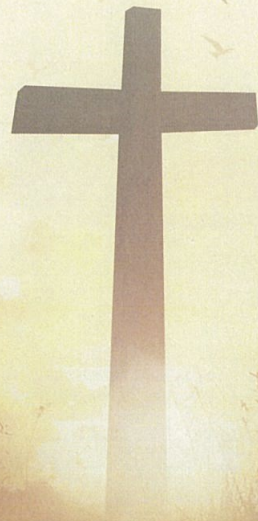
Blessed Easter, dear church.



The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



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God's work. Our hands.



Pick up a **devotional booklet** for the Easter season, written by Pastor Nate, at the Mission Center desk.

Bethany has a **podcast!** New episodes are posted every week that are designed to inspire, challenge, and uplift you during your daily walk of faith. Our podcast episodes feature sermons, Bible Studies, interviews, and guided devotionals from members of the Bethany staff and community. Find us by searching "Together 4 Good" wherever you listen to podcasts.

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THANK YOU!!! Our Easter flowers were gifted by:

Denny & Barbara Ahlman in honor of our many friends and our family
Bayles-McLean family in memory of Jeff McLean
Bev & Bruce Bredbeck in memory of Bev & Bruce's parents, Bev's sister
Betty and in honor of our new grandson, Santiago
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Linda's 41st wedding anniversary April 4
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ago – gone, but not forgotten
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Virginia Will
Dawn Horvat in honor of our parents, Russ & Elaine Schulstrom and
Dorothy & Emil Horvat. We love and miss you!
Duane Houchens & family in memory of Judy Houchens
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future birth of their daughter, Lily Mae
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Jay Schnitker
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Linda, Scott, Heather, Julie, Eric, Lindsay, and Ryan, Courtney, & Leah,
in loving memory of Gary Miller
Susan Mroch in memory of my mother, Margaret Durbin
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Bob & Judi Newman in loving memory of our parents
David & Laura Romig in memory of our mothers, Nancy Brooks and
Jean Romig
Art & Gerry Sandberg in honor of Pastor Gary, Karen, Daniel and Stefn
Barb & Erik Stone in memory of our parents
The Unertl family in memory of Evelyn Harris and Lisa Powers
Witt-Puga family in loving memory of Catherine Witt and Joan Witt Cowan
Al Youngdahl and Barbara Sanborn in memory of Carl & Rosella and
Al & Thelma



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