

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am.

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Sunday School & Bible Class: 10:45am

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 21, 2024



OPENING HYMN (video) “You Are My All in All”

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

KYRIE *(Spoken by all)*

All: **Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy.**

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since you have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may know the voice of our Shepherd and follow him that sin and death may never pluck us out of Your hand; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING *Acts 4:1-12*

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *1 John 3:16-24*

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(Sung. Please rise)*

All: **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *John 10:11-18*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is read.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.** *(Please be seated.)*

SERMON "The Name Above All Names," Acts 4:12 Rev. Tony Troup

CREED *The Nicene Creed. (Please rise.)*

OFFERING *(Please be seated for the offering.)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SELF-EXAMINATION

The Apostle Paul encourages us to examine ourselves in the light of God's law so that we may see our sin and recognize our need of a Savior. We take a moment to reflect on this need and then to ask ourselves the following questions:

1. Are you baptized in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit?
2. Do you know you are a sinner in need of God's grace?
3. Do you believe Jesus died to atone for your sins?
4. Do you believe that God offers His forgiveness through the "real" presence of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine?
5. Do you seek to amend your sinful life?

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

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 good and right that we should always and everywhere thank and praise You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly do we praise You for the glorious resurrection of our Lord, who not only rose from death but has led the way for us to be with You forever. And so, with all the heavenly host, we raise our voices in thanks, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy, Holy," LSB P: 161

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You did not spare Your only Son but gave Him into death that we might have life. Though we cannot understand Your love or comprehend eternity, we lift our voices in thanksgiving and pray for You to strengthen us through this Sacrament to serve as Your witnesses.

C: **May everyone who hears and sees our daily living and our love for You and the people around us recognize the difference in our lives due to Jesus' victory over death and the grave.**

P: Gathered in Jesus' name, we pray that You would forgive, renew, and strengthen us. Gather us with all who are faithful so that together we may join the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. To You alone, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be glory, now and forever.
C: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ...

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

PAX DOMINI

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

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God," LSB P. 161

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us. 'Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Video

LSB No. 524 "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"
LSB No. 633 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise," LSB P. 164

**Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
Tell everyone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C: **Amen.** *(Please rise for our closing hymn.)*

CLOSING HYMN LSB 475 “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

**Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Lord of life is ris’n this day;
Bring flow’rs of song to strew His way;
Let all the world rejoice and say:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise we in songs of victory
That love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord
The life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

SENDING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God!**