

## LET US PRAY

*We ask your prayers for all these persons listed below, as well as for all those in need.*

- For families and friends of those who have recently died:  
Keith Erb, Erik Rivas, Julia Nerhood.
- For those hospitalized or with other immediate needs:  
Dee Hockenberry, Albert Bickhart, Tom Rigel, Shirley Schubert, Cristin Kwiterobich, Trina Eia, Tom Dutrow, Hope Sassaman, Noah Stetts, Betsy Ann Klingler, Talan, Amber Saez.
- For those homebound, in care centers, or being cared for by others:  
From our Family of God at Beaver: Denise Brouse, Deb Kline, Paul Lepley, Peg Shirey, Joan Snook. Also: Nancy (Weisen) Schug, Elton Walter.
- For those with ongoing needs:  
Jackie Alters, Clinton Barnett, Jamie Beaver, Stacy Boyer, Denise Brouse, Baylee Bruner, Richard Bucher, Phyllis Coleman, Karen Ferrinjer, Donald Foltz, Patrick Fromm, Will Folk, Galen Goss, Bruce Hassinger, Dee Hockenberry, Charles Hufnagle, Dylan Jones, Ben Keiser, Guy Kerstetter John Krause, Justin Krouse, Matt Kwitorovich, Grace Lauver, Evelyn Lepley, Tucker Lepley, Lois Martin, Tom Martin, Shirley Pheasant, Kurt Reichenbach, Shirley Rheam, Craig Ritter, Logan Roush, Larry Sassaman, Paula Sassaman, Terry Sassaman, Lindsey Shultz, David Ski, Irene Sweigart, Sam Sweigart, Pat Will, Alan Wolfe, Brian Wray, Crystal Wray, Madeline Wray, Laurie Zechman, Austin Zimmerman, Hunter Zondory, Chad, Donna, Gary, Jamie, Kathy and baby.
- For those with cancer:  
Dawn Anspach, Marci Barlett, Dorothy Boyer, Burns, Mindy Callendar, Nancy Coder, Gabby Deadman, Steve Drake, Betty Drumheller, Jennifer Ebright, Trina Eia, Mary Ewing, Jerry Fike, James Hackenburg, John Hollenbach Jr., Marcus Josey, Windy Kuntz, Audrey Zerby Lickenwalner, Dave Middleswarth, Ben Moyer, Doug Moyer, Connie Reffer, Shirley Schubert, Amber Shaw, Richard Shirey Jr., Sandie Snook, Rose Snyder, Rhonda Straw, Galen Wagner, Sherryl Wagner, Deb Wannamaker .
- For those in the military and recent veterans:  
Jaycen Goodling, Christopher Lepley, Jordan Lepley, Terry Romig, Emma Shirey, Jake Thomas, Ty Wagner, Joseph Zerby.



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# HOLY COMMUNION

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship*

Setting 3

**The Second Sunday of Easter**



**Sunday, April 11, 2021**

**10:15 a.m.**

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\*Please stand as you are able.



## GATHERING

### Prelude

\*Thanksgiving for Baptism

\*Gathering Song

Thine Is the Glory

Let us sing out our praise to God!

### Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
where thy bod - y lay.

*Refrain*  
Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring

**Rogation Day** — You are invited to Camp Mount Luther to celebrate Rogation Day on Saturday, May 1 at 4 p.m. Rogation Day is an ancient practice of praying for creation — farms, woods, mountains, oceans and rivers. Soil samples from around the state, including locally, have been collected and combined. This soil will be used during the service at CML.

**Vacation** — Pastor Jim will be on vacation from Monday, May 3 through Wednesday, May 5. Emergency pastoral coverage will be arranged and announced later.

**May Pantry & Closet** — The May Food Pantry and Clothing Closet will be held one week early, May 15, from 8 to 10 a.m. April's giveaway will be held at its normal time.

**Annual Meeting** — The annual meeting of the congregation is scheduled for Sunday, May 16. At this meeting we will elect new officers, pass the budget, and vote on constitutional amendments. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

**Bulletin of Reports** — In preparation for the annual meeting, we are beginning to assemble the bulletin of reports. This annual report is the way that we remember, celebrate, and give thanks for all the good things that God is doing here at Beaver Lutheran Church. Please submit your reports to Sara by **Monday, April 19**.

**Constitution** — Council is proposing extensive updates to our constitution to bring it up-to-date with ELCA recommendations. Our constitution dictates that the congregation have two months to review constitutional changes before we vote on them at our annual meeting. Copies of the constitution are available for download on our website at [beaverlutheran-church.org/resources](http://beaverlutheran-church.org/resources). If you require a hard-copy, there are a limited number at the back of the church.

**Online Giving** – Tired of forgetting to bring your envelope to church? You can also donate online through PayPal by clicking the “donate” button on our homepage. You can also ask Amazon to donate a portion of your purchases to Beaver Lutheran Church by logging into Amazon Smile. Thank you for your generosity!

**Lectors** — Please prayerfully consider volunteering to be a lector. By proclaiming the word of God, a lector serves a unique role in the liturgy. If you feel you have been called to this service, please notify the pastor.

**Altar Flower Chart** — The 2021 Altar Flower Chart is located in the narthex. Please note that there quite a few Sundays left to fill. Cost to have the church provide the flowers through Graci's is \$50. If that cost is a bit much for you, you can opt to provide your own flowers.





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome to Worship!** Remember to please wear a mask and maintain six feet between individuals, couples or family groups while on the premises. Children under two and those with trouble breathing should not wear masks and should maintain as much social distance as possible.

**Communion** – Please help yourself to a worship kit containing your bulletin, a copy of Taking Faith Home, and a “Communion Kit”. At the appropriate time we will lower our face coverings and commune sitting in our seats. First the wafer found on the top of the juice cup, and then the cup. Immediately following communion, please return your face coverings and deposit the empty cup into the bag and seal it. These bags can be disposed of in the waste receptacle. *There are gluten-free wafers available.*

**Livestreams** – You can join us for worship as always on Zoom and now on **YouTube Live**. To watch on YouTube, simply use this link which will bring you to our YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC\\_nvclBmC3TpwvM3NNKbulA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_nvclBmC3TpwvM3NNKbulA) then you can select the Live Sunday Worship video. (Remember to subscribe to our channel so you can get updates on new videos!)

**Midweek Meditation with Pr. Jim** – Sundays are a wonderful time to recenter ourselves on God, but when Monday comes, all our various responsibilities and anxieties so often push God back to the sidelines. You are invited to join Pr. Jim on Thursdays on YouTube for a time of recentering with scripture and prayer. These prerecorded videos will be posted by noon each Thursday and you can watch them at your leisure. You can find them here: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC\\_nvclBmC3TpwvM3NNKbulA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_nvclBmC3TpwvM3NNKbulA) (Remember to subscribe to our channel so you can get updates on new videos!)

**Sing for Joy** — Last Sunday we celebrated our Resurrected Lord in song during our outdoor worship. This morning we begin singing our praises in the sanctuary! To promote better ventilation, windows and doors will be open. Please maintain social distancing and continue to wear a face covering. We will be singing the first verse of our hymns.

**Altar Flowers** — The flowers this morning are given by Susan Frey to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of her parents, Charles and Helen Frey. The flowers are a joyful symbol of the resurrection of Christ.

**With Sympathy** — We extend our deepest sympathy to Sue Nerhood. Sue’s mother-in-law, Julia Nerhood, passed away this week. Through his death on the cross Jesus joins us in all our sufferings. Know that Christ’s loving arms are wrapped tightly around you, and your brothers and sisters in Christ hold you in prayer during this difficult time.

**Prayer Shawl** — During this morning’s liturgy, we will bless a Prayer Shawl for Richard Cory. Please continue to keep Rich in your prayers.

**Meetings** — Church Council will meet this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The Worship and Music Committee meets one-half hour prior to the Council meeting.



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

## \*Greeting

## \*Prayer of the Day

# WORD

## First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

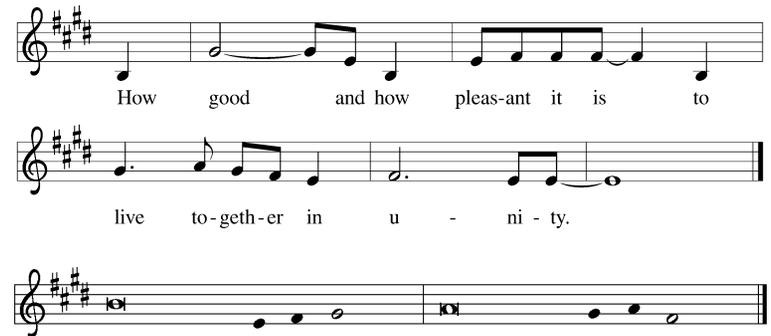
<sup>32</sup>Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. <sup>33</sup>With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

<sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. <sup>35</sup>They laid it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 133



<sup>1</sup>How good and how pleas- | ant it is,  
when kindred live togeth- | er in unity!  
<sup>2</sup>**It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down up- | on the beard,  
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar | of his robe. R**  
<sup>3</sup>It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the | hills of Zion.  
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life for- | evermore. R

Psalm 133:1  
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## Second Reading

1 John 1:1 — 2:2

<sup>1</sup>We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—<sup>2</sup>this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—<sup>3</sup>we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

<sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; <sup>7</sup>but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup>If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

<sup>21</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; <sup>2</sup>and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## \*Gospel

John 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 20th Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him,

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God of all grace ✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

## \*Sending Song Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

Let us sing out our praise to God!

### Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph

of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.  
Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius, 1570–1615  
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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God!

## Postlude

## The Lord's Prayer

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

**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

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

## Communion

*Please remain seated and commune together.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

## Prayers After Communion

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

# SENDING

## Blessing of the Prayer Shawl

### Benediction

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

**Amen.**

"Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

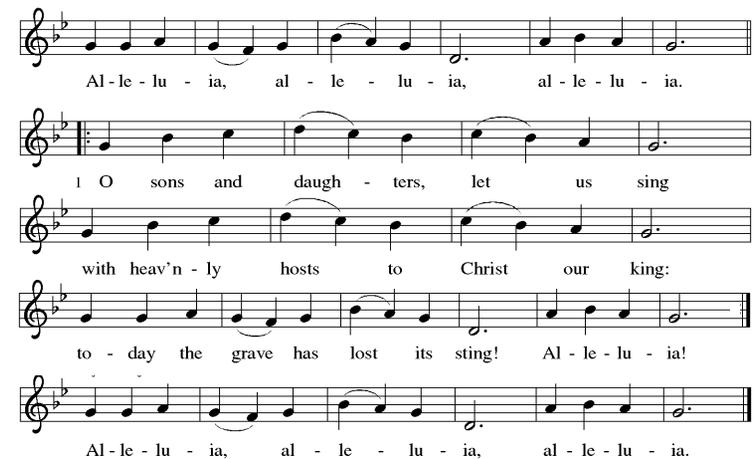
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## \*Hymn of the Day

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

*Let us sing out our praise to God!*

### O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing



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

O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing

with heav'n - ly hosts to Christ our king:

to - day the grave has lost its sting! Al - le - lu - ia!

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

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
Music: O FILII ET FILIAE, French tune, 15th cent.

## \*Prayers of Intercession

Hear us O God,

Response: **your mercy is great.**

## \*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please offer one another a socially distant sign of Christ's peace.*

# MEAL

*Please be seated.*

## 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.**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**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.**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

Again, 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.

With this bread and cup

we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us

and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth,

burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,

with the earth and all its creatures,

with sun and moon and stars,

we praise you, O God,

blessed and holy Trinity,

now and forever.

**Amen.**