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“Making Jesus Known By Sharing Our Gifts”

The River

A Blended Worship Service



April 9, 2023 10:00am
Easter Sunday

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS
Easter Morning 10:00am
April 9, 2023

You are invited to sing with the River Worship Team throughout our worship.
All songs and worship liturgy will be projected on the screens for your use.

WE GATHER TOGETHER IN DARKNESS AND SILENCE

PRELUDE: *“Thine is the Glory”, “I Will Rise”, “Living Water”,
“Because He Lives (Amen)” “Lift High the Cross”*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER ACCLAMATION

GREETINGS OF PEACE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OUR CONFESSION, GOD’S FORGIVENESS

EASTER GATHERING SONG: “Christ is Risen!”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *“Alleluia! (Give the Glory)”*

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON Pastor Lisa Ahlness

~ Ken & Karen Will
In honor of our grandchildren

~ Arvid & Shiela Mugaas
In honor of the River Singers

~ Mavis Pommerer
In memory of Roger Pommerer

~ Lois Kunze & family
In memory of Russell Kunze

~ Marjo & Jim Hewitson
In memory of Dorthy & Eldon Fliginger, Elizabeth & Percy Hewitson

~ John & Janet Doerner
Pastor Lisa and Deacon Janie

~ Terry & Sally Grenz
In honor of all God’s children

Thank you to all who so graciously donated the Easter flowers in memory or in honor of special people in your lives. A special thank you to those that came and arranged the flowers in the sanctuary. They are beautiful!



~ Lois Hanson
In memory of Lyle Hanson

~ Brian & Sarah Dahl
In memory of Phillip and Vivian Dahl

~ LorRaine Riveland
In memory of Roger Riveland, Art & Dora Strand

~ Diane Klein & family
In memory of Jim Klein

~ Deanna & Doug Johnson
In memory of Deanna's mom; Eleanor and Doug's mom; Peggy

~ Lois Hanson
In memory of Lyle Hanson

~ Roger & Esther Anderson
In memory of Esther's four sisters

~ Kay & Jim Miller
In memory and in honor of family

He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed



SONG OF THE DAY: *"Now All The Vault of Heaven Resounds"*

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: *"Let Us Pray for Peace"*

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING Special Music: "It is Finished"
Performed by Deb Carpenter, Joel Crane, Kerry Carpenter

OFFERTING PRAYER

WE SHARE THE MEAL

PREPARATION FOR THE MEAL

LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

INVITATION TO OUR LORD'S SUPPER *All Are Welcome*

COMMUNION SONGS: Special Music: "Easter Hallelujah"
Performed by Amanda Sagsveen, Barb Wilson,
Kerry Carpenter, Paul Gurholt
"Christ is Risen! Alleluia!"
"Join in the Dance"

COMMUNION BLESSING/POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION: (spoken)

SENDING SONG: *"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"*

DISMISSAL: "Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!"

EASTER READINGS REFLECTION:

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

THE RIVER” WORSHIP MINISTERS

Pastor—Pastor Lisa Ahlness

Scripture Reader—Janet Doerner

Ushers—Joel Toso, Suzanne Toso, Roger Krueger, Easton Karvo

Communion Assistants— Sheila Koffler, Esther Anderson, Deb Patterson

Altar Guild—Cherie Krueger, Jean Kraft, Mavis Pommerer, Barb Thomas

Faith & Care — Molly & Ken Traynor, Pam & Ron Lee

River Worship Team—

Sound Board Technicians—Terry Grenz, Lavern Hanson

Projection Team— Caden, Kunze, Jace Kunze, Art Wheeler

Streaming Team— Mike Collins, Tom Harris, Mark Kunze, Karen Will

River Singers— Deb Carpenter, Kerry Carpenter, Sally Grenz, Paul

Gurholt, Doug Johnson, Cherie Krueger, AJ Marx, Amanda

Sagsveen, Gerri Sarsten, John Sayler, Claudia Thompson, Tom

Wade, Barb Wilson

Guitarists—Tom Wade, Marin Traynor

Percussionist— Kari Harris

Violinist—Fynn Sagsveen

Flutist—Beth Greff

Accompanists—Jan & Joel Gilbertson, Eve Kath, Gerri Sarsten, Beth Greff

Prayers, Births, Deaths, Concerns

Please contact Connie in the church office if you have a prayer request, or if you will be entering the hospital and would like a pastoral visit.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

(We encourage you to take this list home and pray for these people.)

For those struggling with health and other concerns:

Maxine Hill, Reece Fischer, Tracy Martinson, Ann Hillesland, Erwin and Linda Marson, Arlene Wolff, Gary and LaVonne Hultin, John Behan, Bob Roesler, Josey Hanson, Diane Stotz, Earl Larson, Carolyn Wegerle, Nicole Eckroth, Mary Schuler, Gladys Bain, Nancy Dockter, Lori Marx, Pastor Jerry Erickson, Hattie Martinson, Ed Decker, Brady Staloch, Bishop Craig Schweitzer, Curt Hauff, Carter Weigel, Kerry Carpenter, Mary Ternes, David Marx and grandson, MaryBeth Osborn, Vicky Moser, Wayne Narum, Todd Wood, Jeff Thomas, Bernice Walton, Mark Meier, Chelsea Sorenson, Jean King

For those dealing with the death of these loved ones—Quinton Wolff, Berdeal Bergo

Easter Flower Donations

~ Cherie & Roger Krueger

In memory of our families gone before us. In honor of our children; Jessica & John and their families

~ Jerry & Patty Hanson

In honor of Marin, Keelin, and Nora Traynor
In memory of Scott Kennedy and Barb Hanson

~ Art Wheeler & Beth Greff

In memory of Florence Wheeler

~ Arlene, Robin, Colete, Elizabeth & Heather Hoglund

In memory of Bob Hoglund

~ Candace, Gloria, Sondra

In memory of Agnes & Conrad Christianson

~ John & Mark Erickstad families

In memory of Ralph & Lois Erickstad

~ Donna Belisle

In memory of family and friends

~ John & Jean Kraft

In honor of Lutheran Church of the Cross and family

