

# Resurrection Lutheran Church

1735 East Main Street – Mankato, MN 56001

+ *New Life in the Living Word* +



## **The Third Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, April 19, 2026 | 9:30am**

The Gospel for today recalls how two disciples were able to see the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread. Though he appeared to many on the day of his resurrection, not everyone was able to see him and know his true identity. In the bread and wine of Holy Communion, we are promised a place where we will always be met by Christ, a place where his promises are continually proclaimed anew.

## **Welcome *and* Announcements**

*Please sign the welcome pad at the end of your pew*

### **Prayer of the Day**

P: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

**C: Living God, Jesus reveals himself and is present with us in the breaking of the bread. May our hearts burn within us and our eyes be opened to his presence among us and for us through his redeeming work; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen (vss. 1,2,4,5)**

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### **Confession and Forgiveness of Sin**

P: Let us come before God in true repentance, seeking his mercy and forgiveness.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination*

P: O God our Father, we admit and confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against you in thought and in word and in deed.

**C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P: We confess that we have not lived as your followers but have sought to go our own ways in directions that have not brought glory to you or blessing to others.

**C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P: We confess that your love has not reached others through us in every situation, admitting with guilt that there have been times in which we have been loveless, thoughtless, and judgmental toward others, unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

**C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P: We confess that your will has not been our priority at all times and that we have not always been defenders of the weak and helpless in our circle of family, neighbors, and friends.

**C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P: We confess that we have not used every opportunity given to us to witness to the resurrection faith that is ours and have at times been slow to speak of the hope that is ours in Christ.

**C: Have mercy on us and grant us your peace. Amen.**

P: Upon hearing this your confession and by the command of our Lord, I, as a fellow member of the priesthood of all believers and in the stead of Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May the God of peace sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## Hymn of Praise

*A song of thanksgiving for the forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ*

Glory be to God in heaven, Peace on earth, good will and grace;  
We rejoice and sing thanksgiving, Hearts uplifted, songs of praise!  
Lord, we bless You, Lord, we thank You, God Almighty, strong and true;  
Lamb of God, our sin You carry, Grant us peace, our hearts renew.

You alone, O Christ, are holy, You alone the Lord Most High,  
With the Spirit ever reigning, In the Father's glory nigh.  
Now we sing our adoration, Praise resounds from shore to shore;  
Glory, honor, power, blessing Be to God forevermore!

## Children's Sermon

### First Reading | Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Pew Bible Pg. 1054

*Peter addresses the men of Jerusalem, recalling what God has done in Jesus Christ. Those who heard him asked what they might do in response to this message. Peter urges them to repent and be baptized so their sins may be forgiven. That day, around three thousand new converts were added to the number of The Way.*

### Responsive Reading | Psalm 116:1-14

*The psalmist gives thanks to the Lord who delivered him from illness and suffering. Those who are in distress are never far away from the God of life, for God is merciful, protecting the lowly and healing the ill.*

R: I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

**C: Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

R: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

**C: Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!"**

R: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**C: The Lord preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.**

R: Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

**C: For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;**

R: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

**C: I believed, even when I spoke: "I am greatly afflicted";**

R: I said in my alarm, "All mankind are liars."

**C: What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me?**

R: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,

**C: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.**

## **Second Reading | 1 Peter 1:17-25**

Pew Bible Pg. 1171

*Peter continues his discourse to the believers who have been scattered far from home because of their faith in Christ. He urges them to love one another in genuine love, reminding them that they have been reborn from the imperishable and abiding word of God which is the good news of Jesus Christ.*

R: Word of God; Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God!

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Thy word is a lamp upon my feet and a light unto my path. *(Repeat)*

## **Gospel Reading | Luke 24:13-35**

Pew Bible Pg. 1025

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 24<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

*the Gospel text is read*

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

## **Sermon**

## **Day of Arising**

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## **Offering Presentation**

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive  
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.

## **The Nicene Creed**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in this peace and in community with one another, let us confess our faith:

**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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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 the People**

*Each petition ends with the words "Lord, in your mercy." Respond by saying, "Hear our prayer."*

## **The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

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 indeed right and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father, for in the night of his betrayal...

## **Words of Institution**

### **Communion Acclamation**

*A prayer of adoration to the one who died and rose again to take away our sin*

**O Lamb of God, you take away our sin.**

**Have mercy, Christ, and make your home within.**

**O Lamb of God, you take away our shame.**

**Grant us your peace, O Lord, in Jesus' name.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord Jesus, as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim your death until you come again. Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C: 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 Distribution

*Resurrection Lutheran's communion practices can be found on the "Come To The Table" instructional in your pew. If you are a visitor or guest, please consider referencing this card.*

## Benediction

**Now Let the Vault of Heaven Resound** (*vss. 1,2,4*)

Reclaim No. 159

## Dismissal

P: Go in peace, loving and serving in the name of our crucified and risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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## Those Serving Today

**Pastor:** Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

**Keyboardist:** Nikki Basel

**Reader:** Tony Miller

**Ushers:** Dave and Rebecca Blum

**Greeters:** Tony and Becky Miller

**Communion Set Up:** Bob and Meridel Kellogg

**Communion Assistants:** Carol Severson and Sharon Litynski

**Tech Team:** Doug Krahmer, Mike Youngerberg, Vicki Youngerberg and Nancy Heinze

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## This Week at Resurrection Lutheran

Sunday	April 19	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Church Council
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School
Monday	April 20	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	April 22	Noon	Lectionary Bible Study
		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	April 23	9:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	April 26	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School

# Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent;  
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry;  
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light,  
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

## *Refrain*



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

# Day of Arising



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,  
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,  
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.  
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.  
blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,  
This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:  
bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,  
yet Christ walks with us ev - er a - wait - ing  
when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,  
Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.  
our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.  
there Christ is with us in bread and wine.  
that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

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Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic melody

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# Announcements

**Welcome to Worship!** Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused member congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ and the Augustana District, LCMC. To learn more about our association of churches, please visit [www.lcmc.net](http://www.lcmc.net).

Thank-you for your **tithes and offerings** to help further the mission of Resurrection Lutheran Church. An offering plate has been placed by the entrance doors into the Sanctuary for your convenience. Venmo users can scan the QR code found in the pew racks.

**Bibles** are available on the shelves under the pews in front of you. Worshippers are encouraged to use these Bibles, or to bring one from home, to follow along with the Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel readings.

Throughout the month of April, Resurrection Lutheran Church is hosting a donation drive for **Options Mankato**. Be sure to stop by the narthex, where you'll find a display board with tags representing specific needs from the Options Baby Store, a free resource for expectant and new parents. Simply take a tag, purchase the item, and return it (with the tag) anytime during April.

The **Mankato Area Riverblenders Chorus** proudly presents "*A Broadway Celebration*" featuring guest quartet Vocality on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students and may be purchased at [www.singmankato.org](http://www.singmankato.org) or at Cub Food and Hilltop Hy-Vee in Mankato or Nutter Clothing in St. Peter.

Who's ready for a good old-fashioned Lutheran smorgasbord? Join us on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm for a **potluck** as we celebrate warmer weather, longer days, and the joy of Spring! Let's make a full evening of it. Do you have favorite games your family loves—Phase 10, Uno, cribbage, Yahtzee, or a classic board game? Bring them along! We'll share great food, plenty of laughs, and enjoy a relaxed night of fellowship together.

**Birthdays this week:** Susan Brooks (22<sup>nd</sup>) and Audrey Simmons (24<sup>th</sup>)