

Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2019
8:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Thanksgiving for Baptism

P Blessed be the holy Trinity † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C Amen

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
. . . through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Gathering Hymn

'Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!' **369**

Greeting

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

please be seated

Hymn of Praise

'Now the Feast and Celebration' **167**
(Refrain, vs 3, Refrain)

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.

⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading

Revelations 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation 'Be Not Afraid' **388**

C Be not afraid, sing out for joy!

Christ is risen, alleluia! (*repeat all*)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

John 10:22-30

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon.

²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

please be seated

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us'

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stand as you are able

Nicene Creed

p. 104

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God. Come near to us with your saving

help, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C Amen

Peace *The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".*

please be seated

Offering

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Offertory 'This Joyful Eastertide' vs 1 **391**

Offering Prayer

A Risen One,

C as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal.

Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake. Amen

Great Thanksgiving p. 144

Lord's Prayer p. 145

please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand. Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God' p. 146

'The Lord's My Shepherd' **778**

'Have No Fear, Little Flock' **764**

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Living God,

C you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. Amen

Blessing

P The blessing of the living God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage.

C Amen

Sending Hymn

'Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing'

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Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Worship Assistants: May 12

Greeters: Mason – Mary Kruckeberg
East – Karen & Gene Krull

Assisting Minister: Tom Jensen

Lector: Robbie Johnson

Communion 8:30: Ron Bailey

Communion 10:30: Luann Seidl

Ushers: Robbie Johnson, Aaron Seidl, Jon Seidl

Organist: Diane Bailey

Attendance 05/05/19: 8:30 - 55 10:30 - 20

Grilled Cheese Lunch: 05/02/19 – 81

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today. There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here.

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Donny Kassube.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross; Debra Ragen; Tom Muggenthaler; Sherry Nymoen; Gene Krull; Ron Bailey.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Carol Baumbach; Dottie Frankie; Karen Krull; Louie Dumke; Jeff Schramm.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the card** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Sandy Yerxa is starting a branch of **Quilts of Valor (QOV)** at Grace. She needs the names of those that have served and during what years and what war. If you could let the office know or Sandy directly at 716-7728 as we gather this information.

Items may be brought in anytime now and stored in the NW corner of the PAC for Grace annual **Rummage Sale** May 31st and June 1st. Help is needed for set up tables May 26th after worship, May 28th Set up and drop off 6-8 pm, May 29th Set up 9-1, May 31st Sale 8am -5pm, June 1st Sale 9am-Noon. Please sign up to help on the sheet on the table in the narthex.

Directory Update

We are working on gathering information from those we did not hear from. We will let you know when it is available.

On June 9th Grace will hold it's **semi-annual meeting**. We will have an election with many positions open. Please prayerfully consider having your name placed on the ballot. We have opening for President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Property, and Worship and Music. I sent an Email to all those individuals that I need a report from to be included in the annual report for 2018 to be presented at the meeting. Please reply by June 1st.

There are extra **time and talent sheets** available on the table in the narthex. Please don't forget to fill them out and return them. You can place them in the offering plate or on the table in the copy room.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes/Linwood Place will host an **Open House** with Ice Cream Sundaes on Wednesday, May 15, from 12:30 to 3:00 P.M. Apartments will be open for tours and tenants will be available to speak with about life at Linwood Place. Come and meet the tenants and staff. See what your life or your loved ones life could be like at our place! Fox Valley Lutheran Homes, 425 N Linwood Ave, Appleton, WI 54914

All Donations Matched! Until May 31, 2019 all donations to elevator fund at FVLH will be matched up to \$50,000! Donate online, by mail, or in person!

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Apartments for rent: 1 & 2 BR; Call Becky or Katie at 734-7225.

On Sunday **June 2, 2019** we will be recognizing **all individuals who are graduating** this year from any schooling experience. It may be high school, college, tech school. Please send the graduates name with any appropriate information including future plans, to the church office by May 19th.

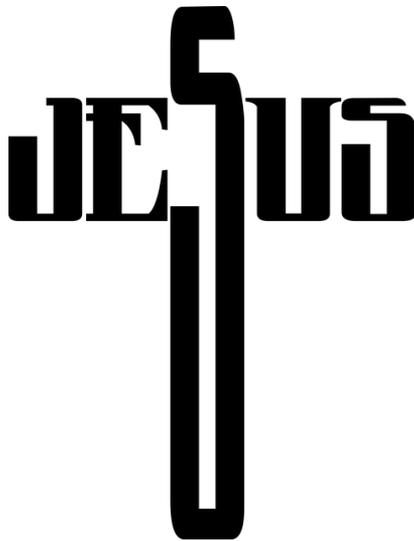
Remember May 26, 2019 we **change our worship schedule to one worship at 9:00 am** for the summer.

Thank you for all the prayers and concern regarding our daughter-in-law, **Kristi Meier**. We are so grateful and relieved to tell you she is now cancer-free, and we pray for a long, healthy life for her, Kevin, and their young daughters. Prayers are powerful, and therefore so are you!
Bob and Sharon Meier

We welcome new members to Grace today at the 10:30 am service. Please introduce yourselves and make them feel at home.

Tyler and Thea Branchfield
Dan and Karen Bramer, Nathan
Bart and Michelle Haverkorn, Zykora
Brandon and Kristina Haverkorn (Taya and Aksana)
Katie Luett
Beauford "Ole" and Sharon Olson
Taylor and Saskia Stankevitz (Aiden and Carson)
Ted and Debra Tracanna

Welcome!!



GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, May 12** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship with Confirmation and New Members
- Monday, May 13**7:30 pm AA Meeting
6:30 pm Joy Circle
- Tuesday, May 14** 8:30 am Quilting
10:00 am W&M Mtg
- Wednesday, May 15**9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 pm Worship
6:30 pm Council
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
- Thursday, May 16**..... 10:00 am Grilled Cheese
- Friday, May 17**..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- Saturday, May 18**9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship
- Sunday, May 19** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Called to *Serve*