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Third Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023



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Please pray for Roger Blum, Joyce Kenitzer, Miles Eisenbeisz, Barbara Dahme, Gladys Felix, Harry and Fern Preston, Sheyenne Seely, Janet Smith, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Courtney Frohling, Dawn Dohn, Lorelei Hartung, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Karen Johnson, Chet Lane, Dora Lane, Sally Kushman, David Mammenga, Ella Jaaska, Dan Lingor, Viril Layton, Edward Les Young, and Diane Hickenbotham.

Please inform the Pastors or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized.

Congregation Self-Study and Nomination Forms. The call process for a Senior Pastor has begun and members are encouraged to complete a congregation self-study. Forms are located at both Narthexes. Anyone who wishes to nominate a LCMS Pastor, may complete a form located in the narthexes. Please return both forms to the church office by April 28th.

Statements of Faith for Confirmands will be held on Wed., April 26th following the 6:15 pm worship service. All are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served. Confirmation will be held on Sunday, April 30, 2023 at 10:45am.

Memorials have been given to the Lighthouse Preschool in memory of LaVonne Helmer.

The Bookstore has a great selection of cards. They have confirmation, mother's day, thank you, graduation, sympathy, wedding, anniversary, and get well cards, plus other special gifts. The bookstore is open between services.

The Lighthouse Preschool is looking for donations of baked items and plants that they can sell between church services on Sunday May 14th and following their program on Monday May 15th! Please consider donating homemade baked goods, succulent plants, house plants, new plant starts or vegetable plants that you will not be needing. We ask that all baked goods be pre-packaged and brought to church in individual zip lock baggies. Please have all donations at the church by Friday, May 12. Thank you for your consideration!

Prayer Shawls – In the South Narthex are prayer shawls. They are free to anyone that you feel is in need of a prayer shawl.

The Lighthouse Preschool is now accepting registrations for the 2023-24 school year. Please call 725-1855 for more information or pick up an application in the South Narthex.

Janitor/Custodian – Position open for part-time janitor, approx. 15 hours per week. Apply at the church office.

Fall Meatball Dinner – A change regarding the white elephant sale: This year we will have a Craft Sale, and will be accepting only brand new homemade craft items for the annual meatball dinner, which will be held on Oct. 1, 2023. All crafters (men & women) should plan ahead. Thank you.

<u>Camp Minneboji</u>: Registrations for Camp Minneboji are open! Camp Minneboji is our District Youth camp for youth completing grades 4-9 held every year at Camp Okoboji in Milford, IA. This year's camp dates are **June 18-24** and the theme is "Way + Truth + Life = JESUS" from John 14:6. Early bird registration is open now through April 1st and the regular registration **closes May 1** or when we are full so register early! We are also always looking for potential counselors and counselor assistants (CA's) to help us run Camp Minneboji. To register or get more information, please check us out at minneboji.com or on the South Dakota District website.

MAIN STREET LIVING – April 30, 2023 KDLT (NBC) This the Life – 10:00 AM – "Aftermath" 10:30 AM – Worship – Rev. Chris Ascher presents a message titled "You Are With Me" based on Psalm 23. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – April 30, 2023 "Bridge Builders" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYR at 7:30 am on Sundays.

Please sign the fellowship booklet for attendance.

Organist: Sunday - Sue Ellingson Wednesday: Judah Bobby

Offering: April 17, 2023 - \$13,419.35

Amount to meet Budget: \$13,615.00 per week

Sunday Attendance: April 16, 2023:

8:00am - 88 Communed - 71 10:45am - 124 Communed - 94

Wed. - 27 Communed - 22

Bible Study: Sunday – 68 Wed. 10am – 8 5:00pm - 7 7:00pm -

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (April 23 – April 30)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study/Coffee & Donuts

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service

5-7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Mon 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Women's Bible Study

6:15 pm Worship Service

7:00 pm Statement of Faith - Confirmation

Thur 9:00 am Quilting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study/Coffee & Donuts

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service – Confirmation Day

Introit Psalm 133; antiphon: v. 1

P: Behold, how good and pleasant it is

C: when brothers dwell in unity!

P: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron,

C: running down on the collar of his robes!

P: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

C: For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Behold, how good and pleasant it is

C: when brothers dwell in unity!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; 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 2:14a, 36–41

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰And with many other words he bore witness and continued to

exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Gradual adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle 1 Peter 1:17–25

¹⁷If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, 25but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Luke 24:13–35

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, "The

Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Catechetical Review - The First Petition

P: Hallowed be Thy name.

C: Hallowed be Your name.

P: What does this mean?

C: God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

P: How is God's name kept holy?

C: God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

Lighthouse Preschool Spring Fundraiser

The Lighthouse Preschool will be holding our spring fundraiser during the months of April and May. This year we are going to host a raffle style fundraiser. We have had some very generous donors from around Aberdeen contribute items for this raffle. **Tickets will be for sale April 11-May 12 and cost \$10 each.**

A few of the items available in this raffle include:

- 32" TV from Lang's
- Brown County fair fun package
- Back to school package
- 2 Aberdeen staycation packages
- Other various donations

All proceeds will be donated to the preschool and used to replace playground equipment lost in the ice storm in November, as well as new toys and curriculum for next year.

Thank you for being wonderful supporters of our preschool. It is a pleasure to serve your families and teach your children.

-Jenelle Siebert