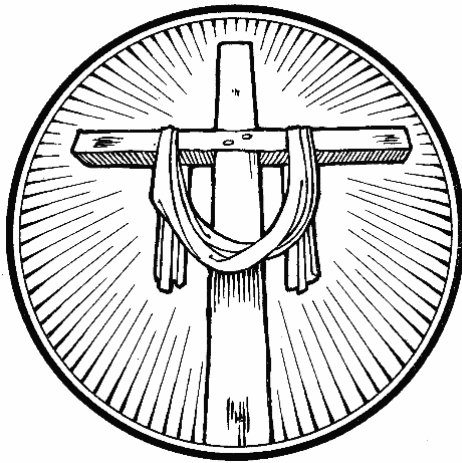


# The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025



And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him."

(Mark 16:6 ESV)

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**Welcome to the Divine Service** where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

**The Lord's Supper** is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

## ***Christ's Resurrection Means That We Will One Day Be Raised***

"Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed" (1 Cor. 5:7). By the shed blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, eternal death has passed over us. Now we pass with Christ through death into life everlasting. For Christ the crucified One is risen! The stone has been rolled away from the tomb, revealing that the tomb could not hold Him (Mark 16:1-8). Now our Redeemer lives eternally to save us from sin and Satan and the grave, and we can live in the sure hope of our own bodily resurrection with Christ. "After my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God" (Job 19:26). Feasting on the living Christ, who is our meat and drink indeed, we boldly say: "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? . . . But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:54-55, 57).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)*

**The Easter Lilies beautifying the sanctuary this morning are given to God's glory...**

...in praise and thanks of Christ's Resurrection by:

- Gil and Mary Jo Daughtrey,
- Todd and Robin Hauth,
- James and Carol Long,
- Brad and Roberta Lowery,
- Cassandra, Tristana, and Winston Tiro,
- Mike and Edith Wright.

...in loving memory of:

- Their granddaughter, Evie, by Jeff and Patti Ellis,
- Her twin sister, Kathy Perry, by Criss Purcell.

**An Easter Egg Hunt is planned this morning following the Divine Service.** There will be no Sunday School or Adult Bible Class today.

**Lord of Life is hosting a workshop on *The Fruit of the Spirit*** for all Lutheran women in our area on April 26, with registration starting at 9:15am. This is an LWML event, but you don't have to be an active participant in LWML to enjoy this workshop with Bible study and fellowship. The website for the event is: [planolutheran.com/rsvp](http://planolutheran.com/rsvp).

**As you plan your summer activities, please keep in mind Vacation Bible School at Faith Plano.** VBS will be June 16 – 20 from 9:00 - 12:00 each day. Preschool - 6th grade students are invited to attend. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to help. Any questions please contact Mina McDonald at [mmcdonald1219@gmail.com](mailto:mmcdonald1219@gmail.com).

**Sacred music for the Easter season...** "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today," "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands," "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness," "He's Risen, He's Risen." You can listen 24/7 to sacred music for the 50 days of the Easter season at [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org), TuneIn, Amazon Echo, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

## OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

**John 20:1 – “Now on the first day of the week ...” All is made new by the resurrection of Jesus!** Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament’s Sabbath (Saturday) to the Lord’s Day of the New Testament (Sunday). For the Lord has made all things new: In rising from the dead as the new Adam, He has begun a new week for a new creation. We are also made new in Him — a new heart, a new life, new desires, a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our risen Lord’s grace. Especially after the sort of year we’ve had since last Easter, it sure is good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh!

### UPCOMING WEEK’S EVENTS

<b>SUNDAY</b> 04/20/25	<i>The Resurrection of our Lord – Easter Sunday</i> 7:30 AM – Easter Breakfast 9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:30 AM – Easter Egg Hunt
<b>MONDAY</b>	<i>Pastor Off</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<i>Pastor Off</i> 9:30 – Women’s Bible Study
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:15 PM – Youth Confirmation
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<i>St. Mark, Evangelist</i> 9:30 AM – Matins 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
<b>SATURDAY</b>	9:30 AM – LWML Dal North Spring Event (at Lord of Life, Plano)
<b>SUNDAY</b> 04/27/25	<i>Quasimodo Geniti, The Second Sunday after Easter</i> 9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Sunday School Hour 12:15 PM – Adult Instruction

### PRAYERS

- Those in our congregation who are homebound: Judy Michels, Melanie Obenhaus, Vicky Cantrell, Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Tula Sheehan.
- Gloria Lawrence who will undergo a procedure on Tuesday.

- God's blessings and safe travels for Rev. Wildauer and his family during their two-month home service.
- Robin Wildauer in thanksgiving for a successful surgery, and for God's continued protection and healing during recovery.
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Brandi Boeder, Matthew Thibodeaux, Donovan Kieser.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Michael Wueller, Zacciah Slade, Reagan Gefaller.
- Wedding anniversaries celebrated this week: Brandon and Rosa Lowery.
- Thanksgiving to God for John Gadberry (the Rose's friend), who is doing very well as he recovers from surgery.
- Tula Sheehan who has been hospitalized with pneumonia.
- Gene Obenhaus who has entered into hospice and is now on pain management.
- Dale Hackbart in thanksgiving that his tumor was found to be benign. Prayers for protection during surgery to remove the tumor which is scheduled for next week.
- Dan Kostoff whose cancer is now Stage 4, as they determine further treatment or palliative care.
- Georgette Walker, who will be hospitalized and undergoing stem cell replacement over the next two weeks.
- Susan Dickson, Amanda Needham (Todd Hauth's sister), Rachel Rojas, and Mariah Scholz for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.

- Those struggling with ongoing health issues:  
Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Doug Drawe, Gary Sakko, Deanna, Dana Evans, Greg McClure, Georgette Walter, Dan Kostoff, Jill, Kristina Wishmeyer, Brandon Rhodes, Gaye, JE Purcell.
- Those struggling with other ongoing needs:  
Frank and Antonia, Matt, Michael, Greg.

**Assisting in the Divine Service Today:**

Elder – James Rose

Altar: Gail Sellers

Music: Rebekah Roundey

4/13/25 General Fund Offerings received: \$5,586.00

Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$34.00

Weekly budget needed: \$4,642.80;

Budget year to date: surplus: **\$1,891.52**

Calendar year to date: surplus: **-\$2,349.65**