



Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church

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HOLY COMMUNION

IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 5:30PM SATURDAY AND 9:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

AS WE GATHER

We tend to look for things to make faith easier. Signs, wonders, or just little hints here and there would help. But the disciples had all these things and heard Jesus promise His resurrection, and still they gathered behind the locked doors of their fears. What we do have is Christ, His Word that bestows and sustains our faith, and His Holy Sacrament wherein He feeds us with His body and blood. Though we have not seen with our eyes, we see with faith and join with doubting Thomas to confess, “My Lord and my God!”

DIVINE SERVICE FOUR

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

BAPTISMAL HYMN

“See This Wonder in the Making”

LSB 593 vs.1 - 3

ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR *Amalia Olinda Callies (530 Sat)* LSB page 268

Jonas Alexander Schipper (9am Sun) LSB page 268

BAPTISMAL HYMN

“See This Wonder in the Making”

LSB 593 vs.4

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

“Glory to God in the Highest”

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Lord, we are too easily captive to fear and the shadow of death. Break through the closed doors of our hearts and shine Your light into our darkness, that knowing the forgiveness of our sins, we may no longer be bound by any anxiety or afflicted by any doubt; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✠

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 4:32-35

Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM ~ *Read Responsively*

Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!

People: **Praise Him all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!**

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord! For He commanded and they were created. And He established them forever and ever; He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

People: **Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!**

Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children!

People: **Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the Lord!**

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.**

EPISTLE READING

1 John 1:1-2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA & VERSE

LSB page 205

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

John 20:19–31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you.” And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.” Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So

the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe.” Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then He said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” Thomas answered Him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense”* LSB 741 vs. 1-5

SERMON *“The Easter Witness Who Won’t Go Away”* 1 John 1:1-2:2

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Merciful Father, at Your bidding we come to You in prayer, trusting in Your mercy to supply us with all that is needful and beneficial to us and for all for whom our prayers have been requested.

Silence the doubts that plague us and deliver us from fear, that believing in You we may know the full comfort of Your gracious presence.

People: **Deliver us from pride and humble us by Your Spirit so that, confessing all our sins, we know the peace of a clear conscience and serve You with all our heart, mind, body, and soul.**

Pastor: Make Your Church bold in the confession of Your name before the world and give Your blessing to all pastors and church workers as they accomplish Your bidding in their service to us in Your name.

People: **Guard us from all enemies and bless our nation with good government and good leaders, that we enjoy justice before the law, equality of opportunity in the marketplace, and peace in our communities and between the nations.**

Pastor: Give comfort, healing, patience, and strength to the sick, to those suffering a troubled mind, and to those carrying the heavy burden of grief, that they may know Your presence in their hour of need, [*especially . . .*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: (*Special petitions that end in, “Lord, in Your mercy”*).

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Accept the praise and thanksgiving of our lips, the tithes and offerings we bring, and our labors for Your glory, that we do not suffer from ingratitude or the pride that believes all we have is the fruit of our own work.

People: **Remembering blessed Thomas and all the disciples, the saints and the martyrs, and those who taught us the faith and now rest from their labors, bring us with them through the day of trouble into the dawn of peace and the place of everlasting life and light through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

OFFERING

†5:30 PM SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE†

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CLOSING HYMN	<i>“This Joyful Eastertide”</i> LSB 482

9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP † SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

HYMN

“There is A Redeemer”

CCS 51

Melody Green — Classic Praise & Worship

1. There is a redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son.
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Chorus: Thank You, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

2. Jesus, my redeemer, Name above all names.
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Oh, for sinners slain. (Chorus)

3. When I stand in glory, I will see His face,
And there I’ll serve my King forever, In that holy place. (Chorus)

4. There is a redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One. (Chorus)

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HYMN

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

CCS 76

1. How deep the Father’s love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.
2. Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.
3. I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no pow’r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

HYMN

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

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BENEDICTION

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CLOSING HYMN

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5:30PM SATURDAY

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9:00AM SUNDAY

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