

St. John's Lutheran Church

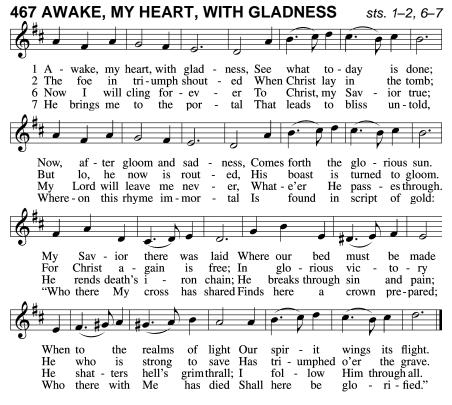
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2nd Sunday of Easter

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +



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(Stand)

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 105:1-5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2-3

- P Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
- C if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.
- P Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
- C make known his deeds among the peoples!
- P Sing to him, sing praises to him;
- C tell of all his wondrous works!
- P Glory in his holy name;
- C let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
- P Seek the LORD and his strength;
- C seek his presence continually!
- P Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
- C his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.
- P He remembers his covenant forever,
- C the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.
- C 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 Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
- C if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

KYRIE LSB 152

- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

- Lord, have mercy. C
- Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Α
- C Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 154

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32-35

³²The 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. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There 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 ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

EPISTLE 1 John 1:1—2:2

¹That 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— ²the 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— ³that 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. ⁴And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But 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. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My 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. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

(Stand)



HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On 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." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

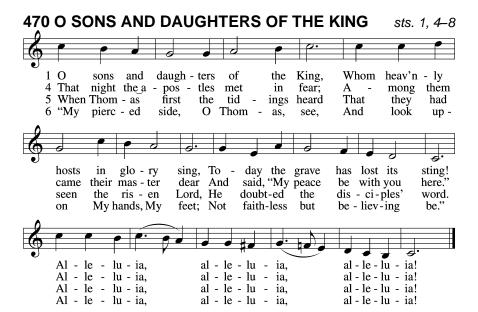
²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight 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." ²⁷Then 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." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but 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.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Sit)



- 7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith has constant been, For they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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SERMON

(Stand)

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life T everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all His adopted children in Christ, that they would always long for the pure spiritual milk of the Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Church on earth, that her ministers would faithfully pronounce the free forgiveness of sins to all repentant sinners and so show forth the peace declared between God and man in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Church in her works of mercy, that she would be united in the common life and love of our Savior and so share that life and love with those in need, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For Christian parents, that the peace of the risen Christ and the forgiveness of sins would be freely shared in the home and so bind families together in love, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the authorities God has placed over us in federal, state and local governments, that He would give them the desire to serve with integrity and honor and to work for the benefit of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the sick and sorrowful, for those who mourn, and for all who stand in need of our prayers, *[especially _____,]* let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who eat and drink the body and blood of Christ, the Word of life, that forgiven of their sins, they may also have fellowship with God and one another, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your indescribable grace and for the sake of Your Son You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the Holy Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and the forgiveness of sin. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily believe Your Word, and through the Holy Sacraments establish our faith day by day, until at last we obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

LORD'S PRAYER

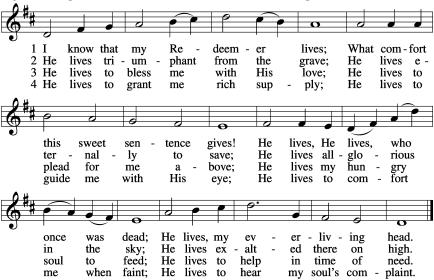
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C Amen.





- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- He lives, all glory to His name!He lives, my Jesus, still the same;Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Please remember our shut-ins throughout the year with a card, note of cheer, or prayers.

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Announcements

Elder: Jim Cesar

Greeters: Jim & Irene Cesar
Ushers: Jim & Irene Cesar
Communion Set-Up: Jim & Irene Cesar

Please join us this week:

Golden Needle Quilters will meet Monday, April 12th at 7pm.

Bible Study is meeting on Tuesday, April 13th at 7pm and **Ladies Aid** will be meeting on Thursday, April 15th at 7pm.

Fellowship: Is Back! Because of the later service (10:30), we will have coffee, juice, etc. from 9:45 to 10:15 <u>before</u> church. We will try this until Memorial Day and then evaluate the participation. This will include Easter Sunday.

Potluck with Missionary Ashley Lehr: Come join us for a luncheon May 2nd after Ashley Lehr's presentation on her ministry in Puerto Rico. Roast beef sandwiches will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. A Freewill offering will be collected to support Ashley's mission in Puerto Rico. This will be a great opportunity to personally support and connect with Ashley. Funds provided through Thrivent Action grant.

Please keep the following individuals in your prayers:

Jacob Bacon, Lisa (daughter of Dan & Dee Erdlandson), Harland Newby and family,

Cindy Roesener, Kathy Schulist, Brian Bertotto, Pat Wetmore, Becky H., Amy Shaw, Amy Olson(daughter-in-law of Rita Walkowicz), Al Pagel, Betty Zimmerman, and Judy Crawford.

For Prayer Requests: If you have a request for the prayer chain team please e-mail Cathlene Clark or call her cell phone. She may be reached at 715-630-0312 or cathlene@uniontel.net.

A note from the Elders: The Elders would like to announce a couple changes/additions to upcoming church services.

 In order to reach out to some members, the 3rd
 Tuesday of each month, communion will be offered
 by Pastor Ader in the Narthex, one family in the
 church at a time. This will be from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45
 p.m on April 20th.

As you drive up, park under bell tower entrance, exit vehicle, enter narthex to receive communion, then exit to your vehicle. If there is a vehicle parked under tower already, please wait in your vehicle until that family drives away and then proceed forward one family at a time out of their vehicle.

With God's presence in our lives, may we continue to live and work together to get through this global pandemic time and with us at St. Johns as we follow his guidance in the pastoral call process.

Thank you from all the Elders.

Donations Needed: Items needed! Joseph's Hope Pantry needs toiletries for men and women. Toiletries may be placed in the food box in the narthex and will be taken to the Plainfield site as the box becomes full. Joseph's Hope serves man needy families in the Almond/Plainfield/Hancock/Bancroft area.



Thank you to all who provided plants

to beautify our church altar on Resurrection Sunday

Pastor Kevin Ader In Memory of Frank and Carla Ader
Bertotto Family In Loving Memory of Edward Bertotto
Bill, Cindy, and Mackenzie Ours Moms/Grandmas, Janice Newby,

Carol Brandl

The Cesar's To the Glory of God Betty Daberkow To the Glory of God

Diane Fabich In Memory of the Alverson Family
Patricia Footit In Memory of the Footit Family

Dusty Huntington To the Glory of God Jim and Lynne Johnson To the Glory of God St. John's Ladies Aid To the Glory of God To the Glory of God Dave Marr Janice Marr To the Glory of God Susan Martinson To the Glory of God Carol Melk To the Glory of God To the Glory of God Al Pagel

Sandie Poock and Family In Memory of Ed Poock, Baby Poock,

Parents and Grandparents

Ed and Dianne Schultz Eunice Schultz and those who have

Gone before

Warzynski Family To the Glory of God

If anyone has updates to any of the above individuals, please let an Elder know or email stjohnsalmond@gmail.com.

Announcements for next Sunday's bulletin should be written out and placed in the church office mailbox or email by 5pm Wednesday