

The Messenger

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HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday	9 a.m. Divine Service
Maundy Thursday	7 p.m. Divine Service
Good Friday	Noon and 7 p.m. Worship
Easter	8 and 10:30 Divine Service

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Celebrate and Share Easter: “The Queen of Seasons”

Dear friends in our risen Lord, greetings! Later this month we will celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord and enter the 50-day season of Easter. An ancient Easter hymn (#487 in *LSB*, “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”) by John of Damascus calls Easter the “queen of seasons” (st. 3). Easter is rightly called the queen of seasons, for it is without doubt the high point of the Christian church year. Every year on this Sunday, Christians confess and joyfully proclaim the exhilarating truth of the empty tomb: “Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!” With Christ’s resurrection nothing remains undone of all God’s plan and work of redemption for us sinners. So great is the joy and glory of Easter that we celebrate it and meditate on it for seven full weeks, or fifty days. In some churches, gold paraments rather than white are used during Easter, to signify the beauty and the majesty of our Savior’s victory over sin, death, and hell.

We at Beautiful Savior join in that celebration, and share in the blessings that flow to all the earth from our risen Lord Jesus. **Easter Sunday, April 16th** we have two worship services: 8:00AM and 10:30AM, both with Holy Communion. There will be a hot breakfast in the fellowship hall between the services; a word of thanks here to our volunteers for that! **April 23rd** we welcome all our school families for the continued celebration of Christ’s resurrection on the Second Sunday of Easter. The school children will sing God’s praises on April 23rd. Their voices are always a joy to hear. On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, **May 7th**, we observe the traditional “Good Shepherd Sunday,” in which we hear the beloved 23rd Psalm and a reading from John 10 about Jesus the Good Shepherd. There is a lot to look forward to in the “queen of seasons” that is coming soon.

Moreover, **WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY** we have this Easter season as believers in Jesus Christ to share with others the joy that is offered in the Gospel! You know, for many people, the queen of seasons is the major league baseball season, or the boating and fishing season, or the pro football season, or the “holiday season” of Thanksgiving-to-New Year’s. But all of those are a distant second to the great season of joy that Christians celebrate every Easter. And the good news is that all people are invited to join in the true joy that is found in the risen Savior, Jesus Christ. For Jesus is everyone’s Savior and Lord, since He fulfilled the Law for us all and paid our whole debt on the cross. After His triumph over our common enemy, death, Jesus sent His disciples to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” (Matthew 28:19). In a word, Easter is about God’s love for all. Let us be urgent to reflect that and share that this Easter season!

A suggested “homework” activity from our sons’ recent Sunday School lesson was to identify a friend or neighbor and invite that person to church or Sunday School, or in some other way to share with them the Bible’s truth about God’s love in Christ. If we **REALLY BELIEVE** that Jesus is Lord of all, the gracious Savior of sinners, and that Jesus is truly risen and living, and that through the Gospel God truly offers forgiveness of sins to all people, how can we possibly keep such truth to ourselves? May God work in us today a bold resolve like that of the early Christians to tell the good news of Jesus, and to invite others to celebrate with us the queen of seasons bright! Christ is risen, alleluia, alleluia!

Pastor Groth



THOSE SERVING IN APRIL

Ushers

Dave Esslinger
Craig Ludwig

Mike Brown
Domino Mbise

Rick Mericle
Wayne Mericle

Elders

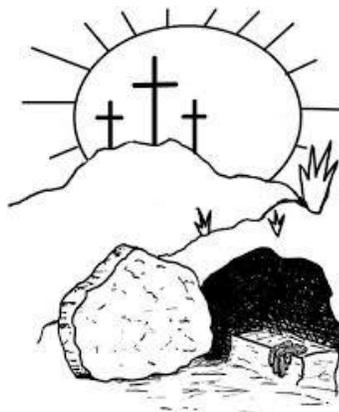
4/2	Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
4/5 7 p.m.	Rick Mericle
4/9	Rick Mericle & Cal Meisner
4/13 7 p.m.	Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
4/14 12 p.m.	Cliff Evans
4/14 7 p.m.	Rick Mericle
4/16 8 a.m.	Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
4/16 10:30 a.m.	Cal Meisner & Mike Brown
4/23	Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle
4/30	Cliff Evans & Mike Brown

Acolytes

4/2	Henry Pawlak III
4/9	Joey Weinstock
4/13 7 p.m.	Damien Dittrich
4/16 8 a.m.	Henry Pawlak III
4/16 10:30 a.m.	Damien Dittrich
4/23	Nicholas Little
4/30	Joey Weinstock

Altar Guild

Jan Meisner and Lynda Meisner





Listed below are the names and addresses of some of our members that are either homebound or due to distance and/or lack of transportation are not able to worship with us on a regular basis. I'm sure they would enjoy receiving an Easter greeting from anyone wishing to send one.

Mrs. Melva Anderson, c/o Fred Anderson, 150 Manhattan Drive, Boulder, CO 80303

Mrs. Dixie Cassily, 12919 Lafayette Street, Unit G, Thornton, CO 80241

Mrs. Maxine Craiger, 269 Garnet Street, Broomfield, CO 80020

Mrs. Gerd Crandall, 1171 E. 1st Ave., Apt 1702, Broomfield, CO 80020

Mrs. Wilda Davenport 1232 Tipperary, Boulder, CO 80303

Mrs. Rowena Davis, 10190 Wadsworth Blvd., Apt 114, Westminster, CO 80021

Mrs. Linda Frederking, 225 Waneka Pkwy, Room 108, Lafayette, CO 80026

Mrs. Pat Hanket, 1603 Daphne Street, Broomfield, CO 80020

Mrs. Doris Hintz, Clear Creek Care Center, 7481 Knox Place, Westminster, CO 80030

Mrs. Patricia Kubat, 12431 King Court, #243, Broomfield, CO 80020

Mrs. Roberta Nigon, 1213 Jefferson, Louisville, CO 80027

Mr. James Nuoffer, 9160 W. 64th Avenue, Apt. 1, Arvada, CO 80004

Mrs. Vee Rotvold, 7700 W. 101st Avenue, Apt. 126, Westminster, CO 80021

Mr. & Mrs. Don Sall, 12610 Hudson Street, Apt. 322, Thornton, CO 80241

Mrs. Ruby Stolz, 10300 Sheridan, Suite 103, Westminster, CO 80020

Mr. & Mrs. Gene Sylvester, 2425 W. Miller Court, Lakewood, CO 80227

Mrs. Julie Vogel, 12322 Clayton Court, Thornton, CO 80241



April Birthdays

- April 1 Charlie Weinstock
- 3 Daria Boniek
- 9 Dorothy Ruck
- 12 Jeanne Mericle
- 13 Katelynn Rose
Joey Ruckman
- 14 Shirley Ehlers
- 20 Catherine Pawlak
- 22 Dawn Groth
- 24 Doris Hintz
- 25 Patti Golden
- 26 Keara Woodburn
- 27 Brandon Brech
- 29 Justin Adams
Henry Pawlak III



April Anniversaries

- April 10 Jordan & Jennifer Dittrich
- 19 Bob & Charlotte Davis
- 24 Lou & Martha Vinquist

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Tabernacle Experience

The [Tabernacle Experience](#) is coming to Trinity Lutheran Church and School. It is life size replica of the Tabernacle as described in Exodus. You will have the opportunity to visit and experience this event from Friday May 5th through Sunday May 14th. It will be open to the public each and every weekday at 11 am with the last tour beginning at 8 pm. On Saturday tours will begin at 9 am and on Sunday, tours begin at 11 am. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

YOU WILL BE USHERED OUT OF THE ORDINARY AND INTO HIS EXTRAORDINARY PRESENCE

One step inside the Tabernacle Courtyard will translate you into Old Testament times. You will experience a day in the life of an Old Testament priest as you engage in the duties and rituals within the Tabernacle. The narrated journey through the Tabernacle Experience is individual, private and intimate. The Tabernacle Experience is simple, yet utterly profound. The Lord's profound Love, Compassion and Mercy towards us is evident in every aspect of The Tabernacle. His plan for our redemption is revealed and His desire to live among us is evident.

Call 970-867-5721 or go on line at www.trinitylutheranfortmorgan.com to sign up for your tour time.

If you go on line, more details about available tour times and what to bring can be found on the sign up page. Our Sunday bulletin also has an insert with lots of information.





“The Lutheran Hour” Sermon Schedule for April 2017

LHM produces and airs radio and TV programming around the world in more than 80 languages. “*The Lutheran Hour*” began in 1930 and is the world’s longest-running, continually broadcast Gospel radio program. It proclaims the message of Jesus Christ to more than 1 million people every week on 1400+ North American radio stations! Please tune to **850 KOA (AM)** at **6:00 a.m.** on **Sunday** mornings OR go on-line to hear and/or download the current or any of the previous messages at: **www.lutheranhour.org**

Apr. 2nd *“Freedom in the Spirit”* (Romans 8:1-11)

Jesus frees you to be the person you were created, redeemed and called to be.
(Lutheran Hour Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz**)

Apr. 9th *“Humble Strength for Eternal Salvation”* (Philippians 2:5-11)

On Palm Sunday, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, not to set up an earthly kingdom but to overcome sin and death – for us. (Lutheran Hour Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz**)

Apr. 16th *“Empty Tomb Hope!”* (Matthew 28:1-10)

The assurance of Christ’s resurrection turns wonder into reality and gives us eternal hope.
(Lutheran Hour Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz**)

Apr. 23rd *“A Living Hope for a ‘Dead as Doornails’ World”* (1 Peter 1:3-9)

No matter how hard the world tries to shake our joy and faith, we have an inheritance in Christ that can never be taken away. (Lutheran Hour Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz**)

Apr. 30th *“Unadulterated Fact”* (Acts 2:22-25)

The early believers knew two things to be true; Jesus performed miraculous works and He rose from the dead. (Lutheran Hour Speaker Emeritus: **Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**)

Please contact Mike Brown at (303) 438-5766 or mbrown_llrmd@comcast.net with any questions you may have about “*The Lutheran Hour*” or any of the numerous **Outreach Resources** available from **LHM**.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a congregational outreach ministry supporting The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and partnering churches worldwide. It is independently funded by generous Christians who want to spread the pure and powerful message of our Savior’s love in their own communities and throughout the world. For more information, please visit **www.lhm.org** or call **1-800-876-9880**. *THANK YOU*

Our Stewardship Message

(April 2017)



Easter is a moveable feast. Easter isn't on the same calendar date every year in the way that Christmas is always celebrated on December 25. The date for Easter each year always falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. And once you find the date of Easter, everything else finds its place—Good Friday and Maundy Thursday, Ash Wednesday and the Transfiguration, the Ascension of our Lord and Pentecost.

All this is a long way of saying that Easter determines everything. Easter defines everything. It orders not only the entire church year, but it orders our very lives. It defines and gives meaning to our lives, as well to the things that happen in them. And since Easter defines everything, that means it changes everything too. It redefines who we are and where we stand with God and with one another. Easter makes all things new.

Without Easter, Jesus would not be raised from the dead. Without Easter death would still reign, we would still be in our trespasses and sins, and our faith and hope would be in vain. But Jesus is raised from the dead. Easter changes everything. It makes all things new. Therefore, darkness is overcome with light, wrath with peace, fear with hope, angst with rest, sadness with joy, hatred with love, sin with righteousness, and death with life. Easter changes everything, redefines everything, and determines everything. Easter makes all things new.

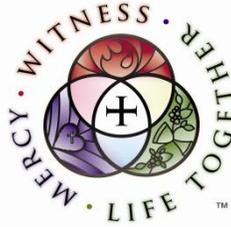
Thus, Easter also changes our attitude about giving. For if God gave us His own Son into death so that we will live, how will He not give us everything else we need? He will, and He does. He provides for us. He even gives us the gifts that we give back to Him for service in the church. Easter demonstrates that we have a God who loves us, a God who provides for us, a God who presses us into His service, a God who has made us new in the death and resurrection of His Son.

For when you give to the church, you pass along those things that God alone has given to you. You pass along the message to others that Easter changes everything and makes all things new, even as it has done this for you. This is not a burden, but pure joy. For God has given you a part in the administration of His kingdom. He provides for the needy through your hands. He ensures that the Gospel is preached and the Sacraments are given out through the work of your hands and in the gifts that you give. And He honors and blesses this work and generosity as it redounds to those around you.

So when you sit down on the first day of the week to make your offering to the place where Easter is proclaimed and where the gifts of Easter are given out, remember: Easter changes everything. It makes all things new. More than that: Easter has changed you and made you new. Because Jesus who was crucified for our transgressions is raised for our justification.

We are "Consecrated Stewards" to the Glory of God!

He Is Risen! – Alleluia!!



In Christ, for the Church and the World

“In grateful response to God’s grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit through the Word and Sacraments, the mission of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is to vigorously make known the love of Christ by word and deed within our churches, communities and the world.” (LCMS Mission Statement – 2010)

Dear Family in Christ:

Greetings in Christ and ***Happy Easter! He is Risen Alleluia!***

MERCY BEGETS MERCY

(By: Rev. John A. Fale, Executive Director, LCMS Office of Int’l Mission-The Lutheran Witness Mar.2016)

Making Disciples and Loving Our Neighbors!

Matthew reports that shortly after Jesus began His public ministry, He called to Peter and Andrew as they were fishing, “Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men”(Matt. 4:19). Shortly afterwards, He called James and John to also follow. Matthew then notes that Jesus went throughout all of Galilee, teaching in synagogues, preaching the Gospel, and healing people of all sorts of diseases and afflictions.

Jesus modeled for these first-called apostles what it means to bring God’s mercy to people in need. The text from Matthew reports that word of what Jesus was doing reached the ears of Gentiles throughout Syria, which was hundreds of miles away. Yet they came. I imagine they carried loved ones on carts and stretchers, even as they do today in many parts of the world when the LCMS sends a Mercy Medical Team. They came because they needed the mercy of God. Even though Syrians held Israel in disdain for centuries they humbled themselves because they were desperate to have their loved ones healed.

What did they receive when they arrived? The compassion of Jesus. He cared for their souls as He preached the Gospel to them, and He healed them of their diseases and afflictions – some with only a spoken word, others with a human touch.

As they received the mercy of God through the Gospel and through healing, many continued to follow Jesus. The mercy of God in witness and mercy “caught” them, if you will. The Holy Spirit called them by the Gospel, even as He does today. And they followed.

Likewise, Jesus sent His apostles to proclaim to everyone the Good News of God’s mercy and to heal (Luke 9:2). The apostles continued the ministry of Jesus, preaching the Gospel, baptizing people and teaching them to observe the Lord’s Supper as Jesus instructed. Part and parcel of their apostolic care was caring for those who were in need. Their model of ministry was the very life of Jesus. Wherever the apostles went, they proclaimed the forgiveness of sins in Jesus, healed those with diseases, collected offerings for those affected by persecution and provided for the poor. Through this ministry, the Holy Spirit converted unbelievers by the droves. Luke notes in the ministry of Peter, “And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women” (Acts 5:14).

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The apostles were doing only what they were commanded to do by Jesus: making disciples and loving one another. As the Holy Spirit brought people to faith in Jesus as the promised Savior, congregations were formed. Pastors were appointed to be “servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God” (1 Cor. 4:1).

Believers assembled for worship, receiving Jesus’ gifts of merciful forgiveness in Baptism, Absolution and Holy Communion. They gathered to encourage one another with “psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord” (Eph. 5:19). Immersed in mercy and love and encouragement, the people of God showed mercy to others. When Jesus comes to people, giving of Himself in mercy, their hearts are changed and they “bear fruit in keeping with repentance” (Matt. 3:8).

This model of mission and ministry, witness to Jesus and doing acts of mercy, has endured for nearly two millennia. The one ought not to be done to the exclusion of the other. It was not meant to be so. As the Body of Christ, we witness to Jesus and show acts of mercy in our vocational calls and as the holy Christian Church. Our lives in Jesus center on being served by Him in Word and Sacrament and in serving the proclamation of the Gospel and serving others. If I may, we exist to fulfill our Lord’s commands: Make disciples of all nations and love our neighbor.

In bringing scriptural clarity to the doctrines of good works and love and fulfillment of the Law, the Lutheran Reformers emphasized the organic relationship of the doctrine of justification by grace and good works. Where justification of sinners through Jesus is preached and believed, God creates genuine love for God and for one’s neighbor. People redeemed by Christ love God and love their neighbor. The Body of Christ lives to serve out of love for God and love for the neighbor.

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod has been blessed with this clear confession of the faith. We are biblical, apostolic and Lutheran. That is our identity. Our mission and ministry reflect that of Jesus, the apostles and the orthodox church throughout the ages. That is why we continue to connect our programs of mercy with our local congregations, our missionaries and our global partner churches. We continue the work of Jesus, what it means to be faithful fishers of all people. And He blesses, just as He has for two millennia.

So, why should our Body of Christ do acts of mercy? One word captures why every congregation (indeed, every Christian) should be moved to show mercy to the people around us: **Compassion**. Filled with Jesus’ love, bathed in His compassion and anchored in His grace, we do acts of mercy because we are people of compassion shaped by God’s mercy. **To God be the Glory!**

Your fellow servant in the Lord;

Mike Brown, President

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“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:6-7)