Easter 2 (April 7th, 2024) St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church (LCMS) 1033 E. 1100 N., Decatur, IN 46733



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Opening Hymn: 471 O Sons and Daughters of the King

Stand

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

 \mathbb{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Introit

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—*

if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;*

make known his deeds among the | peoples!

Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him;*

tell of all his | wondrous works!

Glory in his | holy name;*

let the hearts of those who seek the | LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD | and his strength;*

seek his presence con- | tinually!

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,* his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered.
He remembers his covenant for- | ever,* the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—* if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis: 947 All Glory Be to God on High

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **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

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

Alleluia

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

G Glory be to Thee, 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,

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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 be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, verv God of verv God. begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father. by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: 472 These Things Did Thomas Count as Real

Sermon

Stand

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. С Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Sit

Offering

Stand

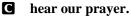
Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, Your Son is the firstborn from the dead. In Him, we have been reborn into a new and living hope. Nurture us with the pure milk of Your Word, that we may grow to maturity of faith and have everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,



- **C** hear our prayer.
- **P** Grant to those ordained for Your service the gift of the Spirit, wisdom that comes down from above, and grace to faithfully fulfill their holy calling where You have placed them. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P As Your people are united in the common life and love of our Savior, grant that we would share that life and love with those in need. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Build up the households of Your people, that Your holy children, begotten in Baptism, may grow in Your grace and share together in Your forgiveness and life. Lord, in Your mercy,





P You have instituted authorities to carry out Your justice. Bless all who make, administer and judge the laws of our land. Give them wisdom, integrity and honor to serve according to Your good will. Lord, in Your mercy,



hear our prayer.

P As Your Son's wounds brought gladness and peace to the troubled disciples, give Your presence and comfort to the troubled in our midst including:

Kay Brown (Sister of Dave and Lynn Matthews) Lynn and Lori Matthews Troy Stults (Son of Andy and Brenda Wolf) Eldora Fuelling Cheryl Caffee Shelly Gerke (Wife of Troy Gerke) Jim Thieme Glen Deatrick for healing from a fall Alton Thieme (Father of Erin and Amber Franz) Laurie Blythe (sister of Dan DeLong) Keith and Suzv Scherer The family of Marie Fuelling as they mourn her death this past week The family of Bob Hegerfeld as they mourn his death this past week

Comfort also those who weep with the blessed joy of Easter morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Father of the risen Christ, You give us the crucified and risen body and blood of our Lord in this Holy Supper. Let us taste that the Lord is good and continually grow up unto salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,



- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your indescribable grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the blessed 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.

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

CIt is meet and right so to do.

▶ It is truly meet, 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:

Sanctus

 Holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer

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

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My +

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blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** Amen.

Agnus Dei

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• O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution 474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen 467 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness 676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth forever.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Amen.

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P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

- **A** Bless we the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.
- C Amen, Amen, Amen.

Hymn to Depart: 480 He's Risen, He's Risen

In His Service Today: Preacher/Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Ryan Tietz Liturgist: The Sem. Adam Thiel Organist: Mrs. Jackie Sanderson Deacons: Nathan Scherer (Head), Louie Fuelling, Dan DeLong, Joe Werling Elders: John Fuelling (Head), Andy Wolf, Fred D. Fuelling, Steve Fuelling

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERINGS : March 31st- Home Purpose: \$4,599.00, Missions: \$100.00, Building Fund: \$200.00, SPI: \$120.00, Vanco \$44.78

NOTE: Needed each week to meet the ministry needs of St. Peter: 5,700.00.



You may also donate your offerings online by scanning the QR code with your phone.

Total Missions received for 1st quarter is \$1,450 of \$12,000 budgeted for the year.

SEMINARY FOOD CO-OP THEME for MARCH and APRIL - "SAUCES": During the months of March and April we will be collecting "Sauces" for the Seminary Food Co-op. Items will be delivered the first of May just in time for grilling season. Suggestions are but not limited to: ketchup, mustard, mayo, BBQ sauce, soy sauce, marinades, salad dressing, buffalo/wing sauce. Items can be placed in the gray and white bag at Church. Other items that are always in demand are breakfast cereal (excluding Chex) and tomato products. The Food Coop is also stocked with freezers and refrigerators. Freezers are stocked with frozen beef, pork, and chicken donated by some of our local farmers, processed and packaged for the Seminary by Manley Meats. All donations are greatly appreciated and are a great benefit to the students and their families. Thank you for all your donations.

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<u>SPI school</u> is now accepting bids for the 2024-2025 school custodian position. Please submit bids to Mr. Becker, the school trustee, or a School Board member. Thank you!

LOST & FOUND: There are several items that have been left accidentally here at church. Please look through the Lost & Found box in the Narthex to see if anything may be yours. Thank you!

<u>Voter's Assembly Meeting</u>: is Sunday April 28th after the church service. Church officers, if you have any reports/notes, for the Voter's Assembly Meeting please give them to Amber Shaffer by Friday April 26th. You can email them, leave in the mail slot on deacons' desk, or leave on desk in the church office in the basement. Thank you!

LWML: The LWML Decatur Spring Gathering will be Saturday, April 27 at St John Flatrock, 12912 Franke Road, Monroeville. Registration: 8:45 Speaker: 9:00 AM - Pastor Donald Sauls and Sandy Sauls from Compassionate Ministries Network Inc. (a not-for-profit charity dedicated to poverty relief and aid in Southern Adams County). In gathering: Food Items for Compassionate Ministries food pantry.

Registration is now open for the LWML Indiana District Convention in Danville, IN June 21-23, 2024. Registration forms can be found at <u>Iwmlindiana.org</u> or in The Good News. Questions, contact Marilyn Bulmahn at 260-919-5007. Each congregation in the Decatur Circuit can sent two voting delegates.

SAVE THESE LWML DATES:

Fall Rally is Saturday, September 14 at St Peter Fuelling Fall Workshop is Saturday, October 5 at St Paul Preble

Zion Lutheran- Friedheim: We would like to invite you to Friedheim's Spring Choir Concert and Hymn Sing to be held at Friedheim on Sunday, April 21, at 3 p.m. It will feature the adult choir and the Joyful Voices Children's Choir. Following the concert, refreshments will be served in the Family Life Center.

2024 Spring Rummage & Bake Sale: Emmanuel Lutheran Church-Soest is having its annual spring rummage sale on Thursday April 18th, 2024, from 8:00am-4:00pm, and Friday April 19th, 2024, from 8:00am-NOON. The sale will be at the Family Life Center (handicap accessible) 9909 Wayne Trace Fort Wayne, IN 46816 (corner of Emanuel Rd & Wayne Trace). On Friday will be the bag sale: \$2.00 each grocery bag or \$5.00 per <u>13 gal</u>. garbage bag. There will be a large selection of clothing, shoes, household goods, furniture, crafts, decorator items, books, and toys. Plus, there will be homemade baked goods.

<u>Wyneken Wrestling:</u> Cornhole Tournament April 20th Start Time: 11:30am at Zion Friedheim Lutheran Family Life Center 10653 N 550 W Decatur, IN 46733. *First Place:\$100 Second Place:\$50*. Single Elimination: Team Winning first 2 out of 3 games moves to the next round. Opportunity to "Buy Back In" will be available. Registration fee is \$40 per team & can be submitted the day of the tournament. Checks can be made payable to Wyneken. Please contact Shane McBride 260-223-1149 or Corbin Bultemeier 260-223-7352 with any questions. All proceeds will be utilized for wrestling equipment and towards the purchase of new wrestling mats. Concessions will be available. RSVP now to help us prepare. https://bit.ly/WynekenCornhole

CLHS Summer Programs Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for summer camps and classes at Concordia! CLHS hosts a number of Summer Camps and Summer Academic programs for students of all ages (K-12 during the 2023-24 school year). Camps range from sports to computers to band and drama. There's something for everyone! And if you're looking to get ahead on your classes, sign up for one of our Academic programs. Classes are available onsite or online. Students from all schools in grades 8-12 are welcome! We are offering an online registration and payment system for all Summer Camps and Classes through CampBrain. To learn more about our summer programs or to register, go to: <u>clhscadets.com/apps/pages/summer-at-CLHS</u> Payment is due at the time of Registration deadline to be guaranteed a t-shirt is May 10, 2024. After that date, a t-shirt is not guaranteed. For any questions, please contact our athletics office at (260) 969-6868 or <u>athletics@clhscadets.com</u>. For questions regarding the summer classes, please call Nancy Koehler, summer classes coordinator, at (260) 483-1102, ext. 313 or email <u>nkoehler@clhscadets.com</u>.

Daily Devotionals: There are daily devotionals available on the table in the Narthex.

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF April 7th, 2024

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
TUESDAY	6:00 pm	Elder's Meeting
	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Church Choir meets in St. Peter balcony
THURSDAY	9:00 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Divine Service

<u>Bethlehem Lutheran Church- Ossian:</u> Pulled Pork Dinner Sunday April 14th, 10:30am-1:00pm. Dine In or Carry Out. Menu: Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Chips, and Cookies. \$10.00 at the door. 7545 N 650 E Ossian, Indiana

<u>Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School- Ossian:</u> Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Saturday April 20th, 8:00am-11:00am. 7545 N 650 E Ossian, Indiana ~Free Will Donation~

Bethlehem Lutheran Church- Ossian Dan's Fish Fry Saturday April 27th, 4:30pm-7:00pm at Lighted Gardens 10794 N State Road 1 Ossian, Indiana. Dine In or Carry Out Available. Dine In Menu: Fish, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Applesauce, Roll, Dessert, and Drink. Tickets: Adults, \$14.00 pre-sale thru April 21st/ \$15.00 at the door. Children ages 5-10, Dine In Only, \$7.00 pre-sale/ \$8.00 at the door, Children age 4 and under are Free. Contact: Cheryl Louison 260-414-5526/ clouison@ymail.com or Pat Meyer 260-227-0400/ spmeyer82@gmail.com Proceeds to benefit: Feeding Tomorrow's Future Today, Back Pack Program, & Bethlehem Lutheran Church Project Fund.