



*Sunday, May 1, 2011
9:00am*

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Welcome visitors! Thank you for taking the time to fill out the communion card provided by the ushers. We believe that the host of the meal provided during worship today is Christ. Christ invites everyone to this meal, saying, "This is for you for the forgiveness of sin." Echoing Christ, we invite everyone to this banquet. If you would like to receive deeper instruction in the Christian faith; if you desire to be baptized; or if you simply seek someone to pray with or for you, inquire of the pastor or indicate the need on the communion card. Grape juice is in the center ring of the communion tray.

The Second Sunday of Easter

*Thank you for observing a time of reflection & silence
in the sanctuary prior to worship.*

Confession and Forgiveness.....Page 94

Hymn..... *"That Easter Day with Joy was Bright"*#384

Greeting and Kyrie.....Page 203

The Prayer of the Day.....

Assistant Minister: Almighty and eternal God,
the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt,
may we, who have not seen, have faith in you
and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

The Children's Choir.....

First Lesson..... Acts 2:14a, 22-32
After the Holy Spirit came to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

^{14a}But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them,
²²You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know — ²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.
²⁵For David says concerning him,
I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.
²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm.....Psalm 16

Assistant Minister = A: ~ Congregation = C:

A: ¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD,

"You are my Lord, my good above all other."

C: ²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

A: ³But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

C: ⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names up on my lips.**

A: ⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

C: ⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

A: ⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.

C: ⁸**I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

A: ⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

C: ¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**

A: ¹¹You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Second Lesson.....1 Peter 1:3-9

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even in the midst of difficult circumstances and surroundings.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuine-

ness of your faith — being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation “*Alleluia*”Page 205

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

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel:.....John 20:19-31

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, 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 the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, 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. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt 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 come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon..... “Easter Responses”.....Pastor Jim Schwarz

Hymn..... “*Thine Is The Glory*”.....#376

Apostles' Creed.....

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the Church.....

Assistant Minister: Hear us, O God.,
Congregation: Your mercy is great.

Sharing of the Peace.....

The Offering and Prayer.....

The Great Thanksgiving.....Page 206

Holy, Holy, Holy.....Page 207

The Eucharistic Prayer.....

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Congregation: **Christ has died.
Christ has risen.**

Christ will come again.
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Pastor: Grace our table with your presence.

Congregation: **Come, Holy Spirit.**
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Pastor: Send us forth burning with justice, peace, and love.

Congregation: **Come, Holy Spirit.**
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Pastor: O, God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer.....Page 208

Communion

You are invited to sing the following hymn during the distribution of Communion:

“O Christ, Our Hope” #604 Verses 1-3

Prayer after Communion.....

Assistant Minister : Mighty and compassionate God,
you have brought us over from death to life
through your Son, our risen Savior,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the sacrament of his body and blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Sending of Communion.....

Pastor: Eternal God,
whose glory is revealed in the crucified and risen Lord,
bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament
with our sisters and brothers
who are sick/homebound/imprisoned.
In your love and care, nourish and strengthen
those to whom we bring this communion
in the body and blood of your Son,
that we may all feast upon your abundant love
made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Blessing.....

Pastor: The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good
so that you may do God's will,
working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight;
through + Jesus Christ,
to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Congregation: Amen.

Hymn..... “Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”.....#364

Pastor: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

~ Prayer Requests ~

Thanksgiving to God for...

- East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry.
- Prayers for the ministries of Arden and Jana Haug, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad.

God's guidance and direction for...

- Please keep the family of Roland Wolf in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.*
- For peace in Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and among all the nations of the world.
- For the people of Japan in the aftermath of the disaster there.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

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| -Verna Evenson | -Mitch Parker | -Della Porter |
| -Eugene Lund | -Violet Jasensky | -Gloria Salov |
| -Roxanne Wildes | -Hayley Diehls | -Diane Barcellena |
| -Tony Hartwick | -Kim Badertscher | -Wilmer Christianson |
| -Payton Mancheski* | | |

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed. Prayer requests week 4-24-2011. *Denotes new/changed request

~ Calendar of Events ~

Sunday, May 1, 2011

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| 9:00am | Worship (Children Sing) |
| 10:15am | Coffee hour hosted by Sunday School |
| 6:30pm | Family Focus Group Planning Meeting @ Grace Lutheran |

Wednesday, May 4, 2011

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| 5:15pm | Wednesday Evening Band Practice |
| 6:00pm | Worship |
| 6:45-8pm | Confirmation |

Thursday, May 5, 2011

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| 9:00am | Pin & Sew |
| 12:00pm | Potluck |
| 1:00pm | WELCA Meeting |
| 1:30pm | Bible Study |

Saturday, May 7, 2011

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| 8:30am | Churchyard Spring Cleanup |
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Sunday, May 8, 2011

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| 9:00am | Worship |
| 10:15am | Sunday School |
| 10:15am | Coffee Hour hosted by Justice Circle |



Altar Flowers

*Altar flowers this morning
are in honor of
Tom & Trudy Spike's
30th Anniversary
Happy Anniversary!!*

~Worship Assistants~

Pastor ~ Pastor James A. Schwarz

Intern Pastor ~ Intern Miranda Hinrichs

Assistant Minister ~ Carolyn Lien

Lector ~ Lyle Walheim

Acolytes ~ Nicholas Woodstock & Jacob Robinson

Greeter ~ Lyle Walheim **Ushers** ~ Light Circle

Communion Set-up/Take down ~ Light Circle

Communion Assistants ~ Andy Christensen & Carroll Ehrke

Organist ~ Charles Stark

Nursery ~ Sabra Jacobson & Brenda Schroeder

Coffee hour ~ Sunday School

~Announcements~

- **Light Circle is hostess for Pin & Sew Potluck on Thursday, May 5th.**
- **Are you interested in singing in or playing an instrument in the Wednesday evening band?** We could use a few more musical folks to join us in leading worship on Wednesdays. Contact Miranda Hinrichs (608-423-3017 ext. 3) or Judy Rusch (920-563-8644) for more information.
- **Help send more children to VBS Day Camp at Lutherdale** by making a donation to the EKLC VBS fund to assist in covering portions of the costs of the program. Any amount is appreciated - please submit in a pew envelope during service, or mail to the church. Be sure to include VBS in the subject line. Thank you for your help in providing a valuable spiritual experience for our youth!
- **Youth Grill Out and Bonfire! Friday night May 20th at 7pm** Join us at Scott and Jackie Zahn's home! Bring a snack or side dish to share. Drinks, grill items, and s'mores fixings provided. Bring your friends and come for a night of fun and hanging out! *For High School youth and Confirmation Youth.* Parent/adult volunteers needed. Please call to RSVP. Contact Scott Zahn (608) 213-1104 or Miranda Hinrichs (651) 895-2879 for more information or to RSVP.
- **Self-Defense Introduction** Wednesday Nights, 7 to 8pm on June 1st and 8th For Women, Teens, Men, and Pre-teens age 10 and up (Special Kid section: 7 to 7:45 June 15th for Ages 5 and up) Join us following Wednesday night worship for an introduction to basic self-defense techniques and education. Wear comfortable modest clothing that you will be able to move in. Please no short shorts. Led by Miranda Hinrichs: 3rd Degree Black Belt and 4-time Senior National Taekwondo Champion. Call to register: (651)895-2879 or (608) 423-3017 x3
- **Children's and Youth Volunteer Thank You Night** Come! We want to honor you!! Wednesday night May 25th 7-8pm. Join us for desserts and fellowship following Wednesday evening worship. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these" (Matthew 19:14). Thank you for welcoming the children and teaching them about their Savior Jesus!
- **Family CamRock Clean Up Day and Grill Out.** A Family Focus Event on May 22nd at noon. Join other individuals and families from churches in the community for a day of service and fun! Walk the trails of CamRock picking up trash and debris, and then meet up at CamRock 2 for fellowship and a grill out. Bring your own grill items and a dish to share. Watch the bulletins for more information.
- **Youth Canoe Trip, Save The Date! For Saturday June 25th.** We will meet at 8am for a day of canoeing and enjoying God's Creation, and we will return for dinner and a bonfire at Lane and Judy Taylor's home. *For High School youth and Confirmation youth.* Feel free to invite your friends. Watch for more details. Adults welcome too! We will need additional chaperones/drivers. Contact Steve Wagner (608)-320-4814 or Miranda Hinrichs (651)-895-2879 for more information.