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**Easter Sunday - April 20, 2025**

**466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia**

CW 466

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**Confession**

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
 and will forgive us our sins  
 and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

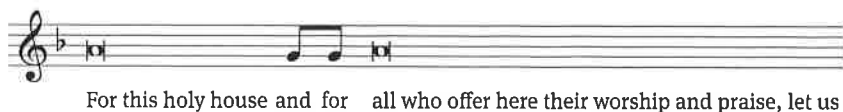
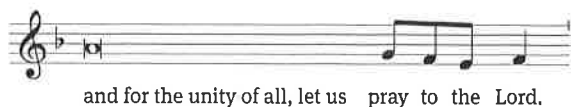
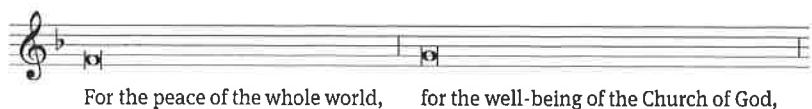
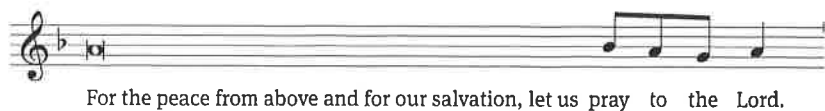
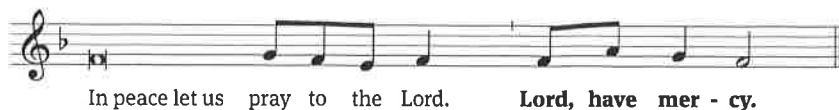
**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

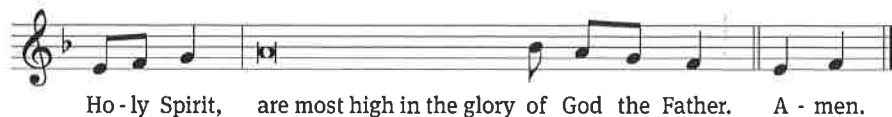
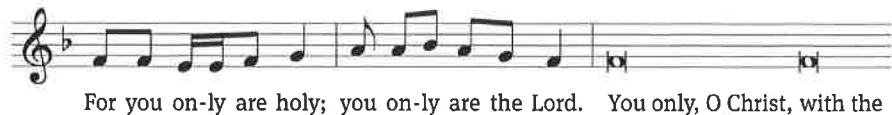
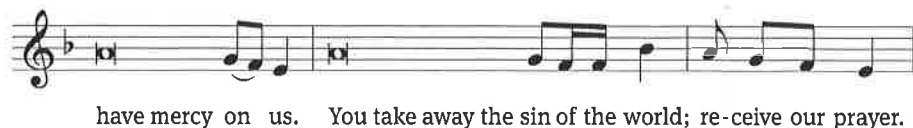
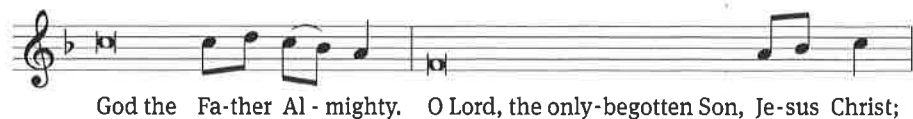
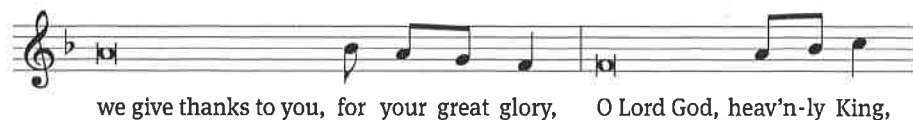
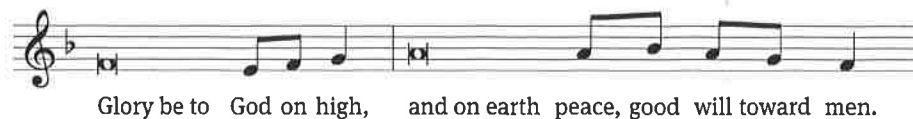
## Lord, Have Mercy



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## Glory Be to God on High

CW 157



The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

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## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through Baptism, may walk in newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise now and forever.

Amen.

## First Reading

Isaiah 25:6–9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare  
a feast of rich food for all peoples,

a banquet of aged wine—

the best of meats and the finest of wines.

<sup>7</sup>On this mountain he will destroy  
the shroud that enfolds all peoples,

the sheet that covers all nations;

<sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever.

The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears  
from all faces;

he will remove his people's disgrace  
from all the earth.

The LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>In that day they will say,

“Surely this is our God;

we trusted in him, and he saved us.

This is the LORD, we trusted in him;

let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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## 16A My Heart, Therefore, Is Glad

Psalm 16A

*Introduction (first time only)*



*Refrain*



My heart, there-fore, is glad, and my tongue re-joic - es;



my bod - y al - so will rest, will rest se - cure.

*Tone*



LORD, you alone are my portion / and my cup;  
you make my / lot secure.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant / places;  
surely I have a delightful in- / heritance.

I keep my eyes always / on the LORD.

With him at my right hand, I will not be / shaken. *Refrain*

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue re- / joices;  
my body also will / rest secure,

because you will not abandon me to the realm / of the dead,  
nor will you let your Holy One / see decay.

You make known to me the / path of life;

you will fill me with joy in your presence,  
with eternal pleasures at / your right hand.

**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. *Refrain***

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## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:51–57

<sup>51</sup>Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— <sup>52</sup>in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup>For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. <sup>54</sup>When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”

<sup>55</sup>“Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?”

<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 118:24



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Refrain

This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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## Gospel

Luke 24:1–12

<sup>1</sup>On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. <sup>2</sup>They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. <sup>5</sup>In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: <sup>7</sup>“The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.” <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words.

<sup>9</sup>When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. <sup>10</sup>It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. <sup>12</sup>Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise be to you, O Christ!

## 441 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

CW 441

## Sermon: Psalm 51:18-19 Rejoicing in Resurrection Hope

## Apostles' Creed

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there 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 everlasting. Amen.

### Prayer of the Church

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.  
**Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.**

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.  
**Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.**

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.  
**Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.**

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

**Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.**

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

**Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

**Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

### 440 Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

CW 440

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## 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.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.  
Amen.

## 449 This Joyful Eastertide

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Setting One from Christian Worship

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## GOOD STEWARD REPORT

### APPRECIATION DINNER

The annual Appreciation Dinner for workers at the Good Steward Resale Shop will be held at Luther High School, God willing, on Monday, April 28. The doors will be opened at 5:30 p.m. A delicious meal will be served by our hosts beginning at 6 p.m. Musical organizations at Luther will provide entertaining music during the meal. Reports and words of thanks will follow. All who plan to attend are asked to register so that we prepare enough food. The sign-up sheet is found at Good Steward. The deadline to register is April 21.

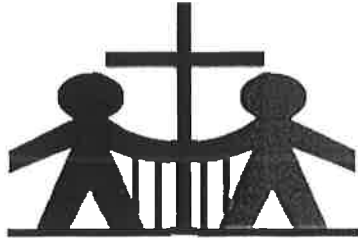
### HELP NEEDED

We thank God for all of the dedicated volunteer workers who are a great blessing at Good Steward. Whether you work many or few hours, we thank you for your willingness to "serve one another in love." At the present time we do need more workers during the afternoons on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Anyone who is willing to help at these times is encouraged to talk to Jeff, our Store Manager, or to one of our Store Coordinators. You can do this in person or by phone (608-779-9763).

### GRANTS

One of the ways in which Good Steward helps students at Luther High School and at area Lutheran elementary schools and pre-schools is thru our Grant Program. Good Steward volunteers who work a certain number of hours in a year are given the privilege of nominating a student for a grant. Depending on the number of hours worked by a volunteer, the person may nominate one, two or three students at Luther or at an elementary school or pre-school. Detailed information about our Grant program may be obtained at the store.

Lutheran Women's Mission Society  
& God's Crew - A Kid's Mission Program  
present



## Building Bridges

How to Share the Gospel With Those Around You

Saturday, April 26, 2025

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church  
28483 Co Rd 12, Winona, MN 55987  
*Co-hosted with Grace Lutheran, Ridgeway*

8-9 AM Spring Rally Registration/Fellowship  
Speaker Eric Roecker, WELS Commission on Evangelism  
12 noon Closing Devotion and Lunch

Don't know what to do with the kids?

A God's Crew, Kid's Mission program for ages 3-12 will be offered. Online pre-registration for a maximum of ~30 kids by April 16 will be required.

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A45ADA922A5FCC43-54896104-](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A45ADA922A5FCC43-54896104-lwms)

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Questions? Contact President Connie Bader at [badeconn@gmail.com](mailto:badeconn@gmail.com) or (856) 334-9104

# *Spring Outdoor Cleanup Day*

***Saturday, April 26  
(starting at 8:00 AM)***

## **RECOVERY IN CHRIST** offers hope in Jesus.

A symptom of addiction of any kind is hopelessness. The focus of Recovery in Christ is to bring the hope of Jesus. RIC meets most Sundays at 4:00 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Onalaska, Wisconsin (school library) and Wednesdays, 1:15 pm at La Crosse's Coulee Recovery Center, 933 Ferry Street. To confirm meeting days/times call 608-567-3038 for Sundays, 608-784-4177 for Wednesdays.

Recovery in Christ is not meant to replace other groups or therapists. It is an additional group that offers Christian fellowship and direction to those in recovery from alcohol and/or drugs.

**NEED A CARD?** Why go to a big box store and spend more than you have to? Please browse our wide selection of cards in the former library room at Christ. Cards are exceptionally priced at \$0.50 each.

**Diane Schultz** is our sunshine lady. If anyone knows of someone who would like a card of encouragement, please let her know. Her cellphone is 608-738-9934 and her home phone is 608-685-3861.

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### **Church Offerings**

Wednesday, April 9: 24

General: \$440 Missions: \$ Cap Imp.: \$

*(General includes contributions from the spaghetti supper)*

Sunday, April 13: 28

General: \$725 Missions: \$25 Cap Imp: \$35

**Total: \$1225**

**General: \$1165 Missions: \$25 Cap Imp.: \$35**

## **Our Weekly Walk with Jesus**

### **Sunday, April 20**

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service

7:45 am Easter Breakfast

9:30 am Worship Service

### **Monday, April 21**

### **Tuesday, April 22**

10:00 am Bible Class

6:30 pm Bible Class

### **Wednesday, April 23**

6:30 pm Midweek Worship Service

### **Thursday, April 24**

### **Friday, April 25**

### **Saturday, April 26**

8:00 am Spring Cleaning Day

### **Sunday, April 27**

8:30 am Sunday School/Confirmation Class

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Coffee hour

1:00 pm Carol Passow's Tea Party