# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF LINCOLN Worship Plan for Sunday, April 24, 2022

**Second Sunday of Easter** 

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C: Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C: Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 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 and self-examination.

#### Most merciful God.

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

GATHERING HYMN: LBW #145 "Thine Is the Glory"

## Thine Is the Glory



The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

#### **KYRIE**



SING HYMN OF PRAISE



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY



Let us pray. . . .

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

#### FIRST LESSON: Acts 5:27-32

Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.

<sup>27</sup>When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Here ends the reading.

### **PSALM: Psalm: 118:14-29**

TODAY's THEME: You are my God, and I will exalt you.

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

16"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!

The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

<sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD; he who is righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>I will give thanks to you, for you answered me

#### and have become my salvation.

- <sup>22</sup>The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- <sup>23</sup>This is the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- <sup>24</sup>On this day the LORD has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- <sup>25</sup>Hosanna, LORD, hosanna!

LORD, send us now success.

- <sup>26</sup>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.
- <sup>27</sup>God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
- <sup>28</sup>"You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you."
- <sup>29</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

#### **SECOND LESSON: Revelation 1:4-8**

The book of Revelation recounts a mystical vision of the risen Christ experienced by a Christian prophet named John. Here he describes Christ as a timeless redeemer, the beginning, present, and end of all time.

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Here ends the reading.

#### **VERSE**



#### **GOSPEL: John 20:19-31**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.



The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe."

<sup>19</sup>When 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." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So 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."

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

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.



# PROCLAMATION OF THE DAY

HYMN OF THE DAY: LBW #139 "O Sons and Daughters of the King"

# O Sons and Daughters of the King



- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard, that they had seen the risen Lord, he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
- 6 "My pierced side, O Thomas, see, and look upon my hands, my feet; not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!
- No longer Thomas then denied;he saw the feet, the hands, the side;"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.Alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been, for they eternal life shall win.
  Alleluia!
- 9 On this most holy day of days, be laud and jubilee and praise: to God your hearts and voices raise. Alleluia!

#### **NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

#### THE PRAYERS

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

#### A brief silence.

Holy One who acts righteously, equip your church as witnesses of your goodness to go and tell others of your abundant love, that they may believe that Jesus is our salvation and life. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Renew your people's commitment to use resources responsibly and to live well with your creation. Invite us to recognize and nurture signs of resurrection life in the natural world. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Direct those who are given human authority to lead with humility and compassion. By your Holy Spirit channel their attention toward serving those who are most in need. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Uphold your children who cry out to you (We especially pray for Mary Nelson, Chris Caldwell, Rev. Jeff Giles, Kalli Netland, Sharren and Charles Goehring, Elmer and Marge Wagner, Amber Brintnell, Chris Vick, Rita and Lawrence Albrecht, Marie and Myron Kroh, Elroy Dockter, Brian Ventsh, Kyla Guthmiller, Iris Quandt, Jenny Masset, James Rebel, Jason Wentz, Jillian Nordsven, Theresa Held and all others that are on our hearts and minds.) Wherever people are overcome by the fear of death, breathe into them your life and peace. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Inspire those who lead your people in worship and praise (*especially the art and music ministries of this congregation*). With joyful motion and sound, send us forth with praise that we cannot keep to ourselves. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Abba Father, in our busy lives we don't take the time away from the distractions of this world to speak with you as we should, hear now the prayers that we offer in the silence of our hearts. *A brief silence*. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

Give us the words of your saints who, like Thomas, boldly confessed your Son as Lord and God. With Jesus our leader, empower us to live according to his ways. God, in your mercy,

#### hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

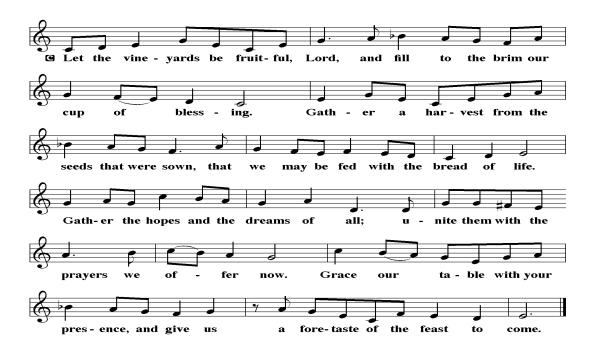
Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

#### **OFFERING**



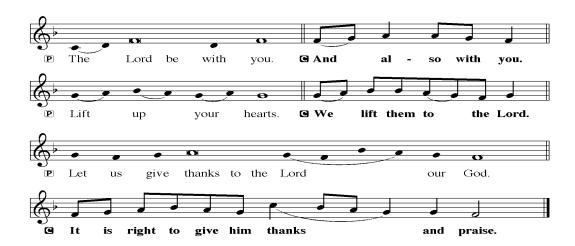
#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

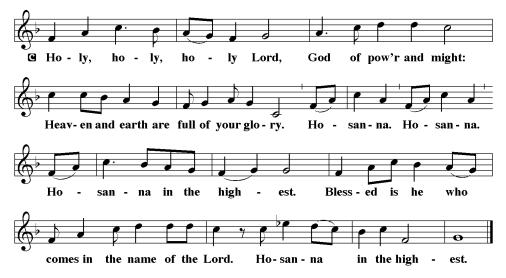
#### **DIALOGUE**



#### **PREFACE**



## **SANCTUS**



#### **THANKSGIVING**

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,

that all those who believe in him should not perish,

but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you

for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

#### C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

Take and drink; this cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup,

We proclaim our Lord's death until he comes again.

#### 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.

#### **COMMUNION**

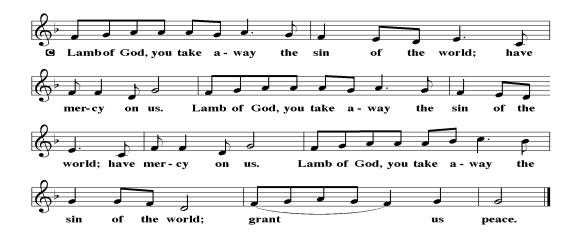
The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

After each, the communicant responds:

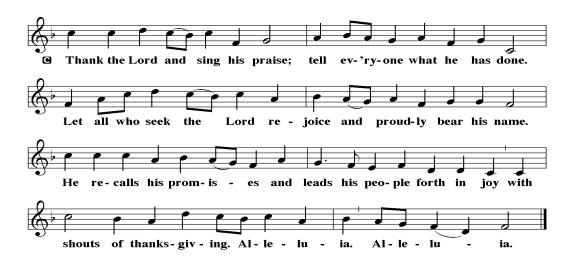
C: Amen.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**



#### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. *C: Amen* 



#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

#### **BLESSING**

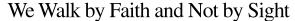
The Lord bless you and keep you.

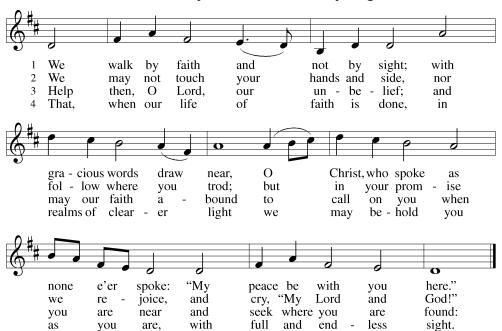
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen

## SENDING HYMN: WOV #675 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"





#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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