OLSBURG/WALSBURG LUTHERAN CHURCHES

Easter Sunday Sunday, April 20, 2025



Olsburg Lutheran Church PO Box 128 Olsburg, KS 66520 Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mission Statement: Become Disciples, Live as Disciples, Make Disciples in Christ Jesus Walsburg Lutheran Church 12351 Union Road Leonardville, KS 66449 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church phone (785) 293-5367 Mission Statement: More disciples living more faithfully by the power of the Holy Spirit. Pastor: Kaylie Ines

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Olsburg Communion Assistants: 4/20 Sandy Zoeller

*Olsburg Acolytes: 4/20 Jeremiah Brenner, Mason Rice, Tori Brenner; 4/27 Ushers

*Olsburg Lay Readers: 4/20 Jacob Nelson; 4/27 April Brenner

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*Walsburg Lay Readers: 4/20 Jane Larson; 4/27 Lynn Hargrave

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

P: People of God, after 40 days in the wilderness and exploring All We Need, what do you need today? **C: To rejoice!**

P: Then come, let us worship God,

C: who broke the power of death, who rolled the stone from the tomb, who has risen from the grave!

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

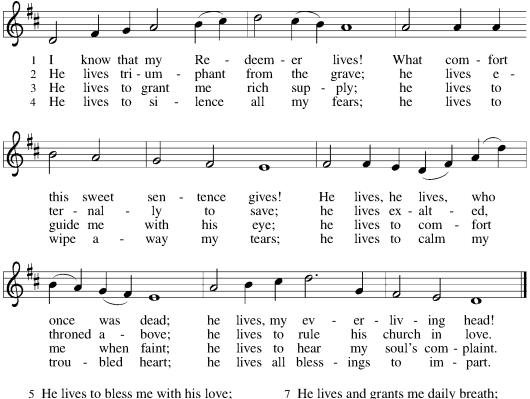
P: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water! C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia! P: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN I Know That My Redeemer Lives! ELW 619 v. 1-4, 8

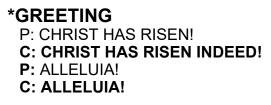
I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



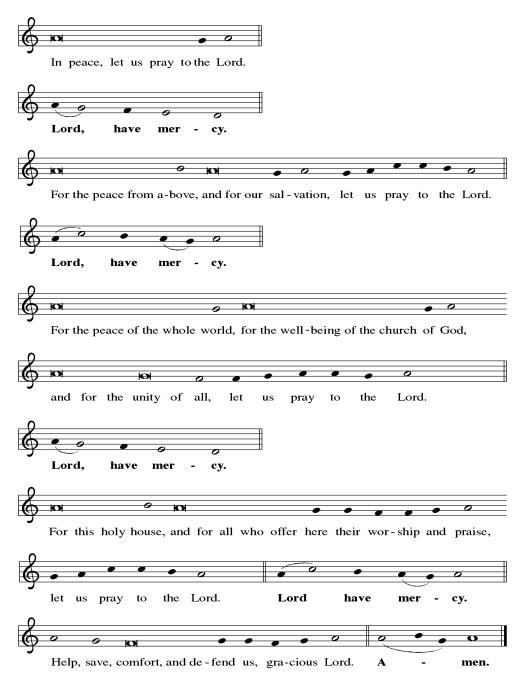
- he lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799, alt. Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

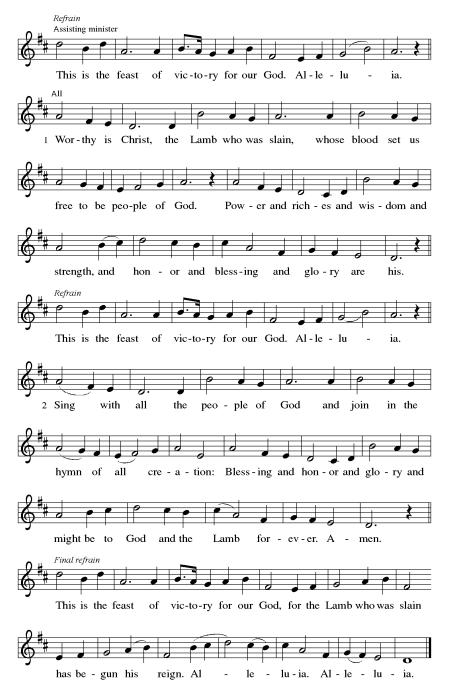
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***KYRIE**



***HYMN OF PRAISE**



***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Risen Christ,

C: you have shattered the power of the grave! Fill us with the joy of resurrection life and lead us into the world to share the joy and hope of Easter with a whole creation in need. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

L: Word of God, word of life. **C:Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

The Lord is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly! The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; here the righteous may enter."

I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected **has become the chief cornerstone**.

By the Lord has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

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

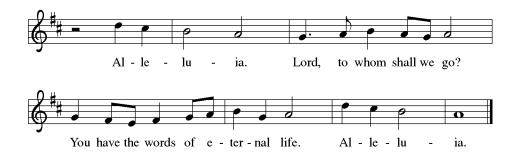
SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



*GOSPEL

P: The holy gospel according to Luke 24:1–12 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P: The Gospel of our Lord C: Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON



The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

Text: Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

*NICENE CREED P: United as the body of Christ, let us profess our faith 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

P: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

P: Risen God, **C: Hear our prayer.** P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **C: Amen.**

OUR OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Lord ELW 184



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OFFERING PRAYER

P: Risen One,

C: you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

MEAL

Communion Invitation

Welcome to Holy Communion! Christ, who is present in bread and wine offering forgiveness and life with God, invites you to eat and drink in this Sacred Meal. To receive the bread, extend an open palm to the server and the bread will be placed in your hand. For those who prefer grape juice instead of wine, glasses of grape juice are located in the inner circle of the tray. If you desire to receive Communion in your seat, inform the usher. Adults and children who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

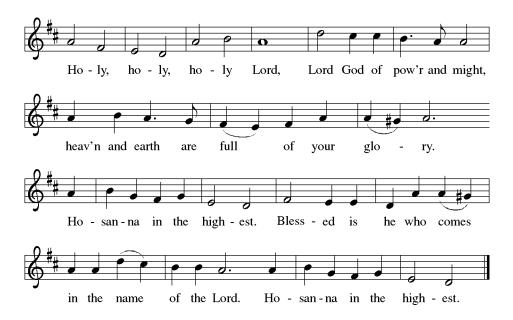
- P: God be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P: 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.

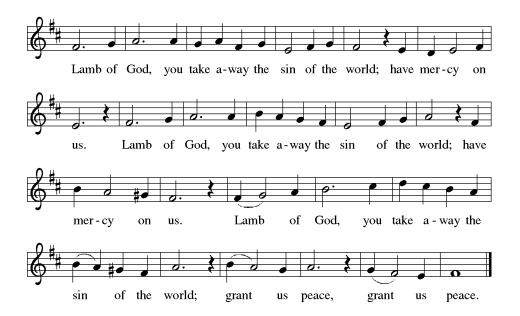
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your goodness. Bring the gift of life on earth.

*LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
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.

*Lamb of God



P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life!

C: Thanks be to God!

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: Living One,

C: in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come,

Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C: Threefold Amen (sung.)

*SENDING SONG

Thine Is the Glory

ELW 376

Thine Is the Glory



Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939 Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

*DISMISSAL

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Bulletin Announcements for both churches

We continue to live-stream the worship services for those who are worshiping at home.

For in-home worship it is helpful to prepare a space for worship ahead of time. Remove distractions. Turn off the TV. Silence your cell phones. Provide worship bulletins for everyone (sharing is always good!). Make sure everyone can see the screen(s). Turn to your church's Facebook page to participate in the service of worship. A recording of the service is also available on each church's website.

Olsburg Announcements

We will be tying quilts on Tuesday, April 22 at 9:00 am. All are welcome!

Mark your calendars to attend our Annual Plant Sale - May 3, 8:30 - 11:00 am.

Olsburg Lutheran Church has a new facebook page. Please search for Olsburg Lutheran Church-ELCA and follow the page. We have been posting recordings after the service. We still need 100 followers to post live videos.

All are welcome to attend our Fellowship Breakfast Sunday, April 27 at 8:00 a.m. Our council members are in charge of providing the food and drinks.

Olsburg ladies we are invited to Good Shepherd Church, Washington, KS to their Salad Supper April 30th at 6:30 p.m. Please sign the sheet in the narthex if you plan to attend.

Walsburg Announcements

Walsburg ladies we are invited to Good Shepherd Church, Washington, KS to their Salad Supper April 30th at 6:30 p.m. RSVP Jane: call or text 785-293-2168.

A 2025 Mowing signup sheet is posted in the Narthex.

Everyone is welcome to attend our 3rd annual **"Taste of Sweden" Breakfast** featuring Swedish pancakes & lingonberries, sausages, assorted pastries, coffee, juice and other special items this *Saturday, April 26, from 8-11 a.m.* Free will donations will be accepted, with proceeds to the Community Food Basket for Northern Riley County and Bountiful Bins. Your support of this event is appreciated.

Food Basket Shopping List: chili beans, pork-n-beans, spaghetti sauce, saltine crackers, pancake mix and syrup, grape or strawberry jelly, applesauce, canned peaches and pineapple, cereal and oatmeal packets. Household products - laundry detergent, dish soap and toilet paper. Your support for this community outreach is greatly appreciated! Rhonda Baer, Board Representative.

The Walsburg women will be providing the lunch stand at Bill and Rosie Johnson's auction on Saturday, May 3, at the Clay Center Armory beginning at 9:00 A.M. Service committees 1 & 2 are in charge of planning and are asking for help from the congregation. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex for a work schedule and for donation of pies. Please have food items to the Walsburg kitchen by noon on Friday, May 2, or deliver to the Armory on Saturday morning. Thank you for your help to make this a successful day for the women and for Bill & Rosie.

The April project for WELCA and Hope Circle is The Crisis Center, Inc. A noisy offering for this project will be collected on April 27. The Crisis Center, Inc has provided a beacon of safety, hope, and healing for those affected by domestic violence and sexual assault since 1979. Founded on a deep commitment to the community, they provide free, confidential, and trauma-informed services around the clock, every day of the year. The purpose is simple yet powerful: to help individuals find safety, rebuild their lives, and move towards a future free from abuse and violence. They proudly serve Clay, Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, and Riley counties, as well as the Fort Riley military installation, and administer <u>SafeLine Kansas</u>—the statewide 24/7 helpline dedicated to providing immediate support to Kansans affected by sexual and domestic violence.