

## GATHERING

### GATHERING MUSIC

#### WELCOME

- Welcome to worship! Welcome to all those joining us via our Live Stream, welcome to those joining us through our Listen to Church service.
- If you are joining us from home, I invite you to gather some bread and wine/juice so you can join us in celebrating Holy Communion this morning.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Here is our water of life!

**Alleluia!**

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 flowing rivers.  
The ark carried life through the flood into a new day.  
Miriam led dancing as your people passed through the sea  
into freedom's land.  
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official  
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Here is our water of life!

**Alleluia!**

At the river your Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
Through him you open the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.  
With glad hearts we praise you,  
through Christ, our source of living water,  
in unity with Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Here is our water of life!

**Alleluia!**

#### GATHERING SONG

*Come Worship the Lord*

#### GREETING

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

**HYMN OF PRAISE***Praise the Father Praise the Son***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray, Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**WORD****FIRST READING****Acts 3:12-19**

*After healing a crippled man, Peter preaches to the people how God's promises to Israel have been fulfilled in Jesus. Through the proclamation of Christ's death and resurrection, God is offering them forgiveness and restoration in Jesus' name. A reading from Acts, chapter 3:*

<sup>12</sup>[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?"<sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

<sup>17</sup>"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION***Majesty***GOSPEL****Luke 24:36b-48**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were

disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?”<sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish,<sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate in their presence.

<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,<sup>46</sup> and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,<sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.<sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**Pastor Heather Wigdahl**

**SONG OF THE DAY**      *For the Healing of the World*

### **DEDICATION OF NEW PASCHAL CANDLE**

Today we celebrate and give thanks for the beautiful addition of a new paschal candle in our worship space. The base and stand for the candle was designed and constructed by Ted Bensen and Larry Barnhart, and the candle itself was purchased through an anonymous donor. You may notice that the stand mirrors the design of our advent wreath which we use during Advent, and fits so well in the style of our beautiful sanctuary.

*Will you join me now in prayer of dedication and blessing:*

Good and gracious God, accept and bless this new paschal candle and stand which we offer in thanksgiving. May it be to us a holy reminder and sign of Christ, the Light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome. May it enrich our worship as you call us together. In your holy name we pray. **Amen.**

Will you now join me in recognizing Ted Bensen and Larry Barnhart for their contribution of this beautiful gift?

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Prayer Response: *The Spirit Intercedes for Us (ELW 180)*

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news. Our sung prayer response after each petition is: The Spirit Intercedes for us.

*Let us pray:*

O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life.

O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety.

O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. We sing to the Lord:

Prayer Response: *The Spirit Intercedes for Us*

O God our provider, you care for all your people. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty and care for those who are sick or suffering *especially for Deb Hyde; Kris Davidson; Kim Holten; Dave Holten; Miranda Brokish; Gordon Smith; Paul Girolamo; Mark Larson; Dale Rage; Cindy Paulson; and Betsy Ciccarelli.*

O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry, as a people of welcome and grace. Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. We sing to the Lord:

Prayer Response: *The Spirit Intercedes for Us*

O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died. As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. We sing to the Lord:

Prayer Response: *The Spirit Intercedes for Us*

**Amen.**

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

#### BRIEFING THE MINISTERS

### MEAL

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen.**

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **PROPER PREFACE**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **HOLY HOLY HOLY**

*Glory*

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy One, praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all the nations.

*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.*

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

*Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONGS**

- *Behold the Lamb*
- *10,000 Reasons*
- *I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord*

### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER**

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

Let us pray,

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

**SENDING**

**BENEDICTION**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power,  
the Christ of unending joy,  
and the Spirit of Easter hope

✠ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**

*I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me*

**DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**SENDING MUSIC**

**CALENDAR EVENTS**

April 14, Sun	Worship, 9am Coffee Fellowship, 10:15am Sunday school, 10:15am Troop meeting, 6pm
April 16, Tues	Tuesday's Table, 4:45pm Menomonie Singers rehearsal, 6:30pm
April 17, Wed	Reading Club/luncheon, noon Writers Group, 1pm Confirmation, 6pm
April 18, Thurs	Quilting Queens, 9am Scout Pack meeting, 6:30pm
April 20, Sat	Habitat for Humanity Work Day, 9am
April 21, Sun	Menomonie Singers Concert, 2pm

To support the work and ministry of OSL, select one of the options below:

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Deb Hyde; Kris Davidson (Elna Johnson’s daughter); Kim Holten (OSL bookkeeper); Dave Holten (Kim’s husband); Miranda Brokish (Kim Holten’s extended family); Gordon Smith (Donna Lark’s brother); Paul Girolamo; Mark Larson & Dale Rage (brother-in-law’s to Liddy & John Achter); Cindy Paulson; Betsy Ciccarelli (Sheri Homstad’s daughter-in-law)

**IN SUPPORT**

Patrick & Jacqueline Bencke, missionaries in Japan  
Kasungu Central, Our Malawi Sister Parish

***Tuesday’s Table***

**Tuesday, April 16, 5:10-6:45pm**

Looking for 2 clean-up volunteers for Tuesday’s Table. Sign up sheet under the skylight or connect with Judy.

***OSL Work Day***

Join OSL members on Saturday **April 20th** as we work on the new Habitat for Humanity House! Volunteers are needed from 9am-4pm. To sign-up go to: <https://tinyurl.com/H4Hworkday>. Want to learn more? Contact Becky Kneer at [becky.kneer@gmail.com](mailto:becky.kneer@gmail.com)

***Save the Date***

LCM Fundraiser at the Moose Lodge—charcoal chicken dinner—Saturday, April 27th. Watch for more details.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

	<b>Mar - Feb</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>
Income	\$368,566.04	\$38,355.64
Expenses	\$358,842.97	\$30,396.57
Over/short	\$9,723.07	\$7,959.07

*The light of Christ is shining brightly from our new paschal candle and stand. A big thank you to Ted Bensen and Larry Barnhart for designing and building the beautiful new stand; and to an anonymous donor for purchasing the new paschal candle.*

***Annual Flower Basket Fundraiser***

***April 7—May 5***

NYG students are selling Gift Cards to Farmstead Greenhouse in Knapp. Gift Cards are \$35 and are good for a 12” hanging basket or planter basket.

***Graduation Photos***

Parents of high school seniors please email Denise Vick ([denise@oslme.com](mailto:denise@oslme.com)) a baby/toddler photo and a senior photo of your graduate by **May 1st** along with a short sentence about post-graduation plans. We’ll include these in a slideshow as part of our graduation blessing during worship on May 19th.