



# Faith Lutheran Church

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*"Peace  
be with you.  
As the  
Father  
has sent me,  
so I send you."*

*John 20:21, NRSV*

April 27, 2025 + 10:45 am

# Notes To Assist Our Worship

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**Welcome** – We are glad you chose to worship here today! We hope you discover the presence of God here and that together we can grow as friends of Christ and one another.

**Standing and Sitting** – If standing, sitting, and kneeling is too much for you, please remain seated (or standing at the communion rail) during those parts of the service. God is coming to you with His Gospel gifts. Our standing, sitting, and kneeling are simply our responses to God based on our health and ability.

**Nursery** – Faith Lutheran Church has a staffed nursery available for you to use on Sundays for children age 3 and younger. Please ask an usher if you need assistance in finding the nursery.

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**Our Hymnals** – *LSB* refers to the *Lutheran Service Book*, which is the burgundy hard covered book in the pew rack. *WOV* refers to *With One Voice*, the smaller blue soft cover book.

# Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025 + 10:45 am

**WORSHIP MUSIC**

**BE UNTO YOUR NAME**

Sadler, DeShazo

**We are a moment, You are forever,  
Lord of the ages, God before time;  
We are a vapor, You are eternal,  
Love everlasting, reigning on high.**

Chorus

**Holy, holy Lord God Almighty,  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain;  
Highest praises honor and glory  
Be unto Your name,  
Be unto Your name.**

**We are the broken, You are the healer,  
Jesus Redeemer, mighty to save;  
You are the love song we'll sing forever,  
Bowing before You, blessing Your name.**

(Chorus Twice)

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**WELCOME**

**GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

**\*OPENING SONG**

**REVELATION SONG**

Jennie Lee Riddle

Verse 1

**Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain;  
Holy holy is He;  
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat. *Repeat***

Chorus  
**Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty.  
Who was and is and is to come;  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings;  
You are my ev'rything  
And I will adore You.**

Verse 2  
**Clothed in rainbows of living color  
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder;  
Blessing and honor, strength and glory  
And power be to You, the only wise King. *Chorus***

Verse 3  
**Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder,  
At the mention of Your name;  
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water,  
Such a marv'lous mystery. *Chorus twice***

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### **\*INVOCATION**

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

### **\*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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.*

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father,  
**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Psalm 148:1-14

<sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!

<sup>2</sup>Praise him, all his angels;  
praise him, all his hosts!

<sup>3</sup>Praise him, sun and moon,  
praise him, all you shining stars!

<sup>4</sup>Praise him, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the Lord!  
For he commanded and they were created.

<sup>6</sup>And he established them forever and ever;  
he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

<sup>7</sup>Praise the Lord from the earth,  
you great sea creatures and all deeps,

<sup>8</sup>fire and hail, snow and mist,  
stormy wind fulfilling his word!

<sup>9</sup>Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars!

<sup>10</sup>Beasts and all livestock,  
creeping things and flying birds!

<sup>11</sup>Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!

<sup>12</sup>Young men and maidens together,  
old men and children!

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the Lord,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his majesty is above earth and heaven.

<sup>14</sup>He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his saints,  
for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**      Revelation 1:4-18

<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 kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood <sup>6</sup>and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. 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.”

<sup>9</sup>I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. <sup>10</sup>I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet <sup>11</sup>saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”

<sup>12</sup>Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup>and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. <sup>14</sup>The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, <sup>15</sup>his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. <sup>16</sup>In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

<sup>17</sup>When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last,

<sup>18</sup>and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*ALLELUIA VERSE**

AGNUS DEI

Michael W Smith

**Alleluia, Alleluia, For the Lord God almighty reigns.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, For the Lord God almighty reigns.**

**Alleluia. Holy.**

**Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.**

**Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, You are Holy!**

**Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.**

**Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Amen.**

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**\*HOLY GOSPEL**

John 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the first chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And 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 anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, 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 in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, 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; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, 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 believed." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Mari-Beth Schembri

### **MESSAGE**

"Open Doors"  
John 20:19, 26

Pastor Pape

### **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.**

## **GATHERING OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

*The Old Rugged Cross*  
(Elizabeth Balentine, piano)

arr. Williams



## **\*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence*

Heavenly Father, we thank you for sending us Your Son, Jesus, who lived a perfect life, died the death we deserve, and rose from the dead to forgive us our sins, grant us new life, and save us forever. You have overcome everything for us because you love us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, Your Son came to heal the sick and restore the broken. We ask that you be with:

- **Jim Eddy**, father of Marnee Eddy Burke, receiving hospice care at home for cancer
- **Gail**, neighbor of Valerie Ruoff, battling cancer
- **Bob Moringello**, neighbor of Debra Sharp, placed in hospice care
- **Kathy Mason**, having major abdominal surgery on 5/2
- **Ryan Byrns**, nephew of Laurie Ebbecke, in rehab for Gillian-Barre disease
- **Kay Bonggren**, mother of Ryan Byrns, cancer has returned and is receiving chemotherapy

Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, through Your Son's resurrection on Easter, You have made us to be Your resurrection people. By believing in Jesus, we know that death is not the end of our story, but the beginning of eternal life with You. Fill grieving people with Your hope and peace. We especially ask that you be with the families and friends of:

- **Barbara O'Brien** (4/8/25), friend of Ed Lindscoog and resident of Baywinde
- **Bob VanDerMallie** (4/16/25), close cousin of Steve VanDerMallie
- **Margaret Menzies** (4/17/25), aunt of Penny Wheeler and Sean Burke
- **Dorothy Vinci** (4/20/25), friend of Linda Pritchard and Ed Lindscoog, resident of Baywinde
- **Nasir Anderson** (4/21/25), nephew of Taylor Saunders-Garrett

Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, You are the giver of all good things and we thank You for the joyful milestones of life. We give You thanks for:

- **Birth of Lucy Jane Cox** (4/17/25), daughter of Adam & Gabriel (Buck) Cox, granddaughter of Ken & Gretchen Buck, great-granddaughter of Diann Berndt, great-niece of Sharon Mendes

Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, You desire that all people would know You. Bless pastors, teachers, and all church workers, that Your Word would be made known among the nations. Help all of us to reflect Your Story of salvation and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, provide Your people here at Faith more opportunities to connect, grow, and serve together in Your name. As You send us into our communities, schools, workplaces, and other places – we are sent with Your Spirit who guides and lives in us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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.

**\*WE ARE SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

**\*SENDING SONG**    THAT'S WHY WE PRAISE HIM    Tommy Walker

He came to live, live a perfect life;  
He came to be the living Word, our Light.  
He came to die so we'd be reconciled:  
He came to rise to show His pow'r and might.

Chorus

**And that's why we praise Him, that's why we sing;  
That's why we offer Him our everything.  
That's why we bow down and worship this King,  
'Cause He gave His everything.  
'Cause He gave His everything.**

**He came to live, live again in us;  
He came to be our conquering King and Friend.  
He came to heal and show the lost ones His love;  
He came to go prepare a place for us.**

Chorus

**And that's why we praise Him, that's why we sing;  
That's why we offer Him our everything.  
That's why we bow down and worship this King,  
'Cause He gave His everything. 'Cause He gave His  
everything.**

**Halle, Hallelujah, Halle, Hallelujah.**  
(Repeat twice)

(Chorus)

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**\*DISMISSAL**

**Go in peace and serve the Lord  
Thanks be to God.**

**POSTSERVICE MUSIC**    *Let Everything Thing that has Breath*

## THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Altar Guild: Charlene Fernaays, Cindy Kreter

Acolyte/Crucifer: Ben & Sydney Resch

Lay Reader: Mari-Beth Schembri

Live Stream: Jason Gerlach

Sound: Michael Balentine

Ushers: Dave Banning, Amanda Ebbecke, Madelyn Ebbecke,  
Vince Alello, Irene Alello

### Volunteers for May 4<sup>th</sup>

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