

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

APRIL 20, 2025 – 8:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT OAK GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen and through him all creation is made new! Welcome to worship at Oak Grove Lutheran Church on this Easter Sunday!

PRELUDE

Please stand and face the processional cross at the entrance to the sanctuary.

+ Processional Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

ELW 365

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! Where the angels every sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! Praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

⁺ Please stand as you are able.

+ Praise and Proclamation

Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

God is alive...

New birth is given.

Hope is alive...

A new age is dawning.

Joy is alive...

Redemption is here.

Love is alive...

Death cannot harm us.

We are alive...

New life is within us.

The church is alive...

God's spirit is within us.

God of life, we worship you.

God of creation, we praise you.

God of revelation, we learn from you.

God of resurrection, we come to celebrate you.

May we celebrate our risen Lord! Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

+ 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

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds vss. 1, 2 & 4

ELW 367

+ Easter Morning Prayer

Alleluia!

Jesus is risen from the dead. Jesus is here right now around us and within us.

Alleluia!

Life is eternal and there is a new life beyond this one.

Knowing we have nothing to fear,

Help us to spread the joy of this day with anyone who will listen.

Lord, your kingdom is here and your time is now. Alleluia and Amen!

ANTHEM (10:00 a.m.)

The Promise

Joy Bells

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

+ Gospel Acclamation



+ Easter Gospel John 20:1-18

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following

him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God

Anthem Easter Song Chorale

Sermon Practicing Resurrection Now!

HymnAlleluia! Jesus is Risen!

VSS. 1, 4 & 5

+ Prayers of Intercession

Each petition concludes with: God of grace,

hear our prayer.

+ Sharing of the Peace

The peace or our risen Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

You are invited to share God's peace with one another.

OFFERING

+ OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Risen Christ, receive these gifts, with our hopes, dreams and prayers. Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread, that our eyes may be opened to see your presence among us, and our lives filled with the new life of your resurrection. Amen.

+ Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

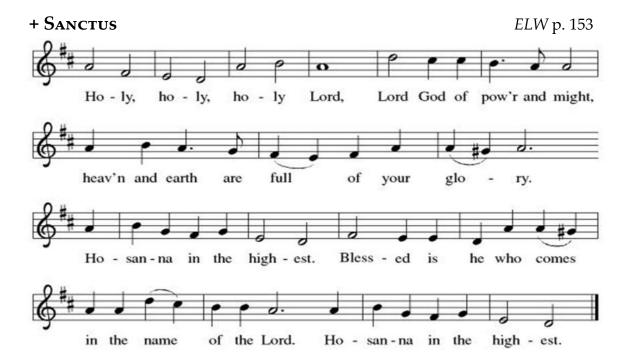
And also with you.

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.

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 has 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:

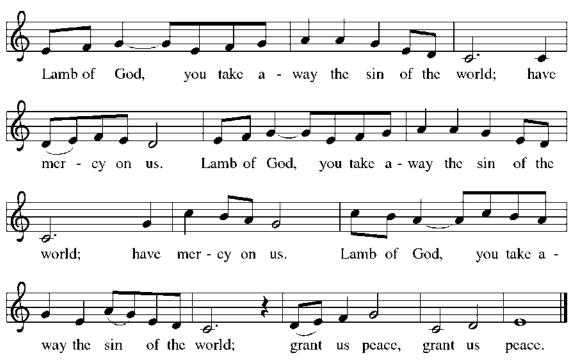


+ Words of Institution

+ The 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.

Lamb of God *ELW* p. 112-113



Invitation to the Table

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table of grace.

Distribution

Now the Green Blade Rises

ELW 379

+ Prayer after Communion

Living One, 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.**

+ Benediction

May the risen Christ bring you all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope. Almighty God, Creator, + Christ and Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He us risen indeed. Alleluia!

+ Recessional Hymn

Thine is the Glory

ELW 376

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death has won!
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory, risen conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb! Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom; let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; death has lost its sting! (Refrain)

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than conqu'rors, through they deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)

+ Dismissal

Go in peace, and feel the presence of the risen Christ with you now and forever! **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Peace and Justice Team

A new ministry opportunity is being formed at Oak Grove Lutheran Church. Please consider being a part of the *Peace and Justice Team!* At the close of our forum on Christian nationalism, someone asked if the congregation could have more opportunities to learn and share about justice issues today. This desire is also shared by God, who in Micah 6:8 says to us, "What does the Lord require of you, but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God."

Some members of Oak Grove have already stepped forward to be a part of this ministry. Please join them in this important work for God and others! If you would like to be a part of the team, please contact Pastor Lee or Mary Beth Mohn.

Lunch Bag Decorating Service Project

All confirmation students, their families, and the congregation are invited to come together and decorate lunch bags for Meals on Wheels! This event will take place this Wednesday, April 23, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Treats will be provided. Please come help us decorate 500 bags and make someone's day a little brighter! Thank you!

- Kelli Olson, Oak Grove Education Coordinator

Community Garden Sign Up Time

This is our twelfth year for our Oak Grove Community Garden. And over these 12 years many gardeners have used our organic garden to grow their own vegetables, produce and herbs. It doesn't matter if you have a green thumb with years of experience or you're interested in just trying or you want your children or grandchildren to see how their food is grown – all are welcome!

What do our gardeners grow? Tomatoes, peppers, carrots, lettuce, potatoes, squash, green beans, cucumbers, herbs and much more. Vines (such as cucumbers and squash) should be contained on a trellis or something similar as we like to keep our woodchip pathways clear. We have 39 plots available.

The cost is still \$15 which helps pay for organic dirt, wood chips and other little items. I'll be in the narthex on **Sunday**, **April 27**, for those who want to sign up in person. You can also call me or send me an email. Payment can be cash, checks or via your donation account.

- Marilyn Jacobson (612) 285-2520 or Mmjacobson2@msn.com

Oak Grove at the MN Twins-Sunday, June 8

Last year Oak Grove Lutheran Church members attended a Minnesota Twins baseball game. We have reserved another game this year! It will be on **Sunday**, **June 8**, at 1:10 pm.

The price is \$64, which includes admission to the game, food, and non-alcoholic beverages. A signup sheet is in the church office. Please make checks out to Terry Gambaiani. **Please sign-up and pay by Wednesday, May 14**. Tickets will be available after May 25.

If you have any questions, please talk with Terry Gambaiani, Gordy Hanson, John Grabow, or Carol Martin (all ushers for the Minnesota Twins). Note: we have 12 ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accessible seats.

- Terry Gambaiani (612) 270-6465.

Drivers Needed for Meals on Wheels

Do you own and drive a car? Do you have an extra hour in your day, once a month? Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Well, I have just the thing for you! I am in need of drivers to help deliver Meals on Wheels to residents in Richfield. Oak Grove delivers meals every fourth week. Meals are delivered on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. I need to supply 3-4 drivers for each of those days. The meals get picked up at Normandale Lutheran Church located at 62nd and Normandale Blvd. Once your route is completed, the meal bags get returned back to the same location, or if you wish you can drop the black bag, which holds the hot meals, along with the paperwork right here at Oak Grove. There is a large box located in the coat room where you can place the bag. It takes about 1 to 1-1/2 hours from start to finish. I may call on you once a month or every other month, whichever works best for your schedule.

If you are interested in helping out with this very rewarding opportunity, you may contact me at (651) 270-0005 and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of my drivers who already deliver Meals on Wheels. Your service does not go unnoticed! Without you, this program would not be able to exist. Thank You! – *Becky Hanson, OG MOW's Driver Coordinator*

Hosanna Palm Sunday Brunch

Thanks to everyone who made the Hosanna Brunch, held on Palm Sunday, April 13, such a fun and successful event! We are grateful for all of the food and monetary donations. Thanks to you, \$1,514 was raised for the Youth Camp Fund, helping our kids get closer to their goal of attending summer camp at Lake Wapogasset!

Property Commission Help Needed:

- 1-2 people to help clean the gutters of rock that the rain washes into them.
 (Ask Julie Tvete about details.)
- Anyone who has expertise in electrical, plumbing, or small engine repair that would be willing to be on a call list
- Need 3-4 people who would be willing to shovel and put down salt or sand as needed during the week if it snows. Obviously, we hopefully will not need anyone until the fall, but would like to get a list started.

Quiet in the Sanctuary

With the new camera system, we have noticed that it easily picks up sound in the sanctuary, particularly before and after the service. Please be aware of this and come into the sanctuary quietly and whisper if conversation is needed. Thanks!

Prayer Chain

We are starting a prayer chain and need people who would like to be included as a contact person to pass along the prayers. What would be needed is one person to start it by texting or calling a couple of people who would each contact a couple more people and so on. The prayers would only be passed along if the person needing the prayers contacts the church office and gives their permission. If you would like to be included as a contact person, please text or call Georgeanne at (952) 212-7155.

Easter Memorial Garden Dedications

Given by: In Memory or In Honor of:

Carol Athey In Memory of my husband Adrian and son-in-law

Tim Godfrey

In Honor of Carol Athey—mom, grandma and

great grandma

The Aura Family In Memory of Helen Stanley and Tom Zarth

Sarah Barrett In Memory of my mother, Karen Barrett

Beaudet Family In Memory of Sharon Keene, Bev and Don Beaudet

Deidre Boyea In Memory of Wayne Gruben (father of Deidre Boyea)

Dorla Dagner In Memory of Herman Dagner

Les and Becky Hanson In Honor of our grandsons

Mike & Murt Hanson In Memory of our parents

Tom and Lisa Hoyne In Memory of Dan and Ada Mae Hoyne,

Bob and Grace Meints

Bev & Randy Hummel In Memory of our parents and Randy's sister, Diana

Wallace Bekkum; Paul Kaiser, special friend

Judy Johnson In Memory of husband and parents

Karen Levisen In Memory of Earl and Maurine Levisen

Carol Martin & Shari Grote In Memory of Dick, Ev, and Linda Martin

Bev Moe In Memory of Mom, Pat Moe; and brother, Jim Moe

Barbara Mons In Memory of Millie Skurdalsvold

Bo, Michele, Joshua and In Memory of our parents and grandparents,

Amanda Myroniuk Don, Borys and Sonia

Jane Peterson In Honor of my goddaughter, Evie Follett's confirmation

Tom and Mary Schermerhorn

John Schroeder In Memory of my parents, Jim and Gerry

Carol Swenson In Memory of Jim Moe

Kay Thompson In Memory of Bud and Shirley Tedamonson

and Paul and Polly Tveite

Scott and Lisa Wold

Duane and Shirley Wold

(No name given) In Memory of our parents

Oak Grove Core Values Statement

Love one another with compassion and care, just as Christ loves us.

Welcome all people into fellowship with hospitality.

Accept others as they are, treating each person with respect and dignity.

Worship God through music and ministry, reflecting our Lutheran heritage while embracing new ways of worship.

Grow in faith rooted in the Gospel, both as individuals and as a faith community.

Serve the Lord by generously sharing our faith, time, talents, and resources with the community and the world.



OAK GROVE EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Sunday, April 20

8:30 am Easter Festival Worship Service, Sanctuary 10:00 am Easter Festival Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, April 21

Tuesday, April 22

9:30 am Staff Meeting, Library10:00 am Care Club, Fellowship Hall1:00 pm Bible Study, Fireside Room

7:00 pm Esther Circle Meeting, Fireside Room

Wednesday, April 23

9:30 am Bible Study, Fireside Room

6:30 pm Confirmation *Meals on Wheels* Service Project (all are invited!)

Fireside Room, SS Room

Thursday, April 24

Friday, April 25

Offices closed

Saturday, April 26

8:00 am Men's Bible Study, Library

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 27 — Worship with Confirmation, 10 am Community Garden Plot Sign Up, Narthex

Worship Leaders for Sunday, April 20

Assisting Minister: 8:30 am Mike Tveite / 10 am Lisa Hoyne **Banner Bearer:** Julie Tvete **Cross Bearer:** Elisa Tvete

Musicians: Amanda Myroniuk, trumpet; Jesse Gmitro, timpani; Morva Klein, organ

Communion Servers: 8:30 am Dan Curry & Margie Risch /

10 am Murt Hanson & Jan Philibert

Worship Leaders for next Sunday, April 27

Assisting Minister: Michele Myroniuk **Reader:** Jeanne Hanson **Communion Servers:** Matt Cutter and Julie Tvete

Media – Facebook Live: Les and Becky Hanson, Julie, Curtis and Elisa Tvete

Sound Team: Hermès Radison, Al Tuff, Mike Tveite, and Curtis Tvete

Oak Grove Lutheran Church sits on traditional lands of the Dakota people. We acknowledge, with gratitude, the many blessings we receive from this land.

Children are always welcome in worship. Activity bags are available in the library or ask an usher for help in locating them.

Restrooms: Located downstairs near the fellowship lounge. **Hearing devices:** Personal hearing devices are available through the ushers.



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