3rd Sunday of Easter April 26, 2020



Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

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Third Sunday of Easter

VERSE OF THE DAY Our hearts were burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us. (Luke 24:32)

WORSHIP NOTES - Hope Restored. The certain hope of eternal life with God is founded on the sacrificial death and victorious resurrection of Christ. God had promised this ancient hope in the Garden at the dawn of time. God had carried this ancient hope in his Word through the ages. How did the disciples fail to anticipate the resurrection? How did the teachers and people of Israel fail to see the Messiah God had promised and delivered? They let their wants and cultural expectations color their view of Scripture, and hope was lost. God restored this ancient hope by raising Jesus from the dead and pointing his people back to his promises.

<u>GUESTS</u> Welcome to our friends!



OPENING HYMN "Oh, worship the King" (p. 7) Christian Worship, #243:1-3

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: Amen. (spoken)

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- **P:** Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
- C: Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them.
- **P:** Let us confess our sins to the Lord.
- C: Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

P: God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

ALL: Jesus, our Savior, you took away our sin and overcame death for us. Fill our hearts and lives with the joy of that victory; and give us the courage and conviction to share that victory with others, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON ACTS 24:10-21

After his arrest at the temple, Paul stood before the Sanhedrin. The session erupted into a brawl when Paul asserted his belief in the resurrection, a divisive issue for Pharisees and Sadducees, and the Roman officer had to remit Paul to the regional governor. In this lesson, Paul is on trial in Caesarea before Governor Felix but it is the Pharisees and the Sadducees that abandoned Scripture. We hold to the clear ancient hope of Scripture: the resurrection of the dead.

When the governor motioned for him to speak, Paul replied: "I know that for a number of years you have been a judge over this nation; so I gladly make my defense. You can easily verify that no more than twelve days ago I went up to Jerusalem to worship. My accusers did not find me arguing with anyone at the temple, or stirring up a crowd in the synagogues or anywhere else in the city. And they cannot prove to you the charges they are now making against me. However, I admit that I worship the God of our fathers as a follower of the Way, which they call a sect. I believe everything that agrees with the Law and that is written in the Prophets, and I have the same hope in God as these men, that there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked. So I strive always to keep my conscience clear before God and man.

"After an absence of several years, I came to Jerusalem to bring my people gifts for the poor and to present offerings. I was ceremonially clean when they found me in the temple courts doing this. There was no crowd with me, nor was I involved in any disturbance. But there are some Jews from the province of Asia, who ought to be here before you and bring charges if they have anything against me. Or these who are here should state what crime they found in me when I stood before the Sanhedrin—unless it was this one thing I shouted as I stood in their presence: 'It is concerning the resurrection of the dead that I am on trial before you today.'"

VERSE OF THE DAY

- **P:** Peace be with you. As the Father sent Jesus, Jesus is sending you.
- C: Alleluia. He is risen. We will testify.

GOSPEL LESSON LUKE 24:13-35

For these two disciples on the road, it was a day of great puzzlement, sadness, and disillusionment. They left the Holy City having heard the report of the women and Peter and John. But their understanding of God's plan of salvation was deficient: they weren't expecting a resurrection! John puts his finger on the disciples' problem. "They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead." (John 20:9). They chose only to believe those parts of Scripture that met their preconceived notions of what the Messiah should be. Our Lord addresses the problem by explaining all the Scriptures that showed the Christ had to die and rise. How well did they learn the lesson? They marveled at how he opened the Scriptures to them and restored that ancient hope!

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened there in these days?" "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."

He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

HYMN OF THE DAY "Thy Strong Word" (p.8)

SERMON Luke 24:13-35

"Take this Talk for a Walk"

CW, # 280:1-4

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & SPECIAL PRAYERS

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.

CLOSING PRAYER

- **P:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do.
- C: Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

CLOSING HYMN "O Savior, Precious Savior" (p. 10)

CW, # 368

SILENT PRAYERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Savior Ev. Lutheran 04-26-20 Easter 3 Sermon Outline Luke 24:13-35

Intro: Some talks you never forget!

Take this Talk for a Walk

1. Let the Word Work on your Heart.

- 1.1 They had time to listen
- 1.2 Jesus wants us to explain our situation.
- 1.3 They (and we) had some wrong ideas about redemption.

APP: They were seemingly stuck in loss, frozen by the fact that Jesus had been crucified, he died and was buried. We are like them.

2. Let the Good News Vanquish your Fear.

- 2.1 We must let go of our misperceptions
- 2.2 We must let his truth guard our inner being.
- 2.3 We must let the Word speak for itself.

APP: Remember who Jesus is! That's what sears our fears.

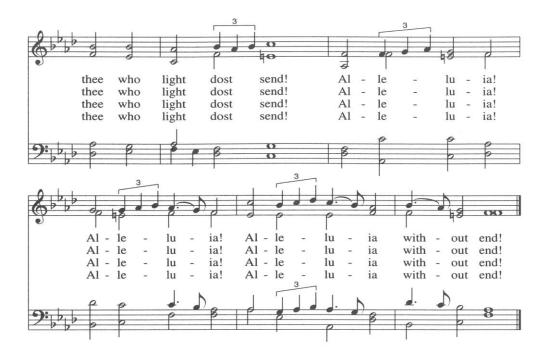
Conclusion: Can you imagine being Anna's mom and hearing her talk once more as she came out of her tragedy? Can you imagine talking with Jesus? He wants to take a personal walk with us.

Oh, Worship the King



Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, abr., alt. Tune: William Croft, 1678-1727 HANOVER 10 10 11 11 **Thy Strong Word**





- 5 Give us lips to sing thy glory, Tongues thy mercy to proclaim, Throats to shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak thy holy name.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! May the light which thou dost send Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!
- 6 God the Father, light-creator, To thee laud and honor be.
 To thee, Light from Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to thee. Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907-76, alt. Tune: Thomas J. Williams, 1869-1944

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EBENEZER 87 87 D **O Savior, Precious Savior**



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79 Tune: Arthur H. Mann, 1850-1929 ANGEL'S STORY 76 76 D

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

9:30	am	Live stream Worship
8:00	pm	Women's Bible Study Via Zoom
7:00	pm	Evening Devotion
9:30	am	Live stream Worship
	8:00 7:00	8:00 pm 7:00 pm

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

1 st Lesson	Acts 6: 1-9	
2 nd Lesson	1 Peter 2:19-25	
Gospel	John 10:1-10	
Psalm	Psalm 23	

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<u>Нүммs</u>: 243:1-3, 280:1-4, 368

THIS WEEK'S

WORSHIP SERVICE "WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS" SERVICE THEME

VIDEO: Chris Spietz WEBSITE: Jimmy Pautz FACEBOOK: Tom Hering EMAIL: Sarah Smith

FIRST LESSON: Acts 24:10-21

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:13-35

Sermon: Luke 24:13-35

"Take this Talk for a Walk"