Third Sunday of Easter April 20 & 23, **2**023



Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

(Wisconsin Synod) 1332 Arrowhead Rd. Grafton, Wisconsin 53024 Church: 262-377-6363 School: 262-377-7780 www.OurSaviorGrafton.org Luke 5:23-24

[Jesus said] Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins have been forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk?' But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins..."

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP - Gracious God, as I enter your house today help my eyes to be fixed on Jesus. Quiet my many concerns and worries. Drown out the shouts of other with the waters of your love. May I see in this time of worship your love that extends so far beyond my expectations that it overwhelms me now, and every day of my life. Amen.

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



Stand

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

CONFESSION

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just

and will forgive us our sins

and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord. Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the [+] Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

BAPTISM 10:30am Service

LORD, HAVE MERCY

In peace let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen.





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THE WORD

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a,32–41

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

³²God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. ³³Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. ³⁴For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said,

" 'The Lord said to my Lord:

"Sit at my right hand

³⁵until I make your enemies

a footstool for your feet." '

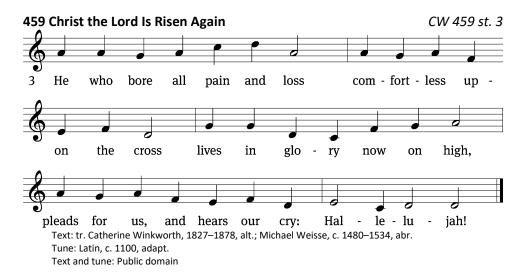
³⁶"Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."

³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

³⁸Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:17–21

¹⁷Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. ¹⁸For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia. Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us? Alleluia.

Luke 24:13–35

GOSPEL

¹³Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶but they were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

¹⁹"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. ²⁰The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹but 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. ²²In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

²⁵He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹But 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.

³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³²They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

³³They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." ³⁵Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

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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.

Be seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness. **Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

OFFERING

Amen.

Members and guests alike are also asked to fill out the Friendship Register, pass the entire pad to the next person, and return it to the center aisle. Please include address and phone.

Stand

LORD'S PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

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. **Amen.**



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BAPTISM - We welcome Samuel Levi Kowaleski into the family of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Samuel's godparents are Erin Oestreich & Kellie Vosters and his parents are Anthony & Katie Kowaleski.

Meet Pastor Fischer & Family



Pastor Jonathan Fischer & Melissa Elijah, Simeon, Esther, Corah, Stephen, Josiah, and Silas.



The Stewardship Committee invites you to a potluck for Stewardship Sunday! Join us for a single service at 10 am on Sunday, April 30th, with the

potluck lunch immediately following. The Stewardship Committee will be providing hot sandwiches, beverages, and all plates, cups & eating utensils. Please sign up for a dish to pass here:



If you aren't able to contribute this time, we'd still love to have you! All are welcome!

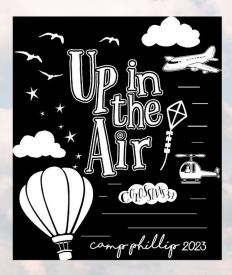
Please note there will be NO Bible Study or Sunday School on this day.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 10-14 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church & School 1332 Arrowhead Rd Grafton, WI

CAMP PHILLIP PRESENTS: "UP IN THE AIR" BASED ON COLOSSIANS 3:2 – "SET YOUR MINDS ON THINGS ABOVE, NOT ON EARTHLY THINGS."







REGISTER BY JUNE 15TH

Questions? Please contact the church office at oslcs@oursaviorgrafton.org or 262-377-6363.

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (4/23)	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Class
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	11:45 AM	Voters' Meeting
Tuesday	10:30 AM	Senior Bible Study
Wednesday	4:00 PM	Public School Confirmation
Thursday	7:00 PM	Worship Service
Friday	9:00 AM	Mom's Circle
Sunday (4/30)	10:00 AM	Stewardship Sunday Worship
	11:00 AM	Stewardship Potluck

LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday This service is also recorded for review after livestream. Link on our website (see below). THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

PREACHER: Jeremiah Backhaus

Organist: Jon Hahm

HYMNS: AS PRINTED

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 32-41

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:17-21

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:13-35

THE SERMON: Luke 24:13-35

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