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Divine Service Sundays 10:00 a.m.

5825 Bollinger Road, Cupertino, California



"And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." - Acts 2:42

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GUESTS! Welcome! We're grateful for your presence and sincerely hope that you will find our *liturgical service* to be a blessing as it ties us to the church of past, the church in heaven, and to the church of the present—to whom it bears the blessings of God's Word and Sacraments today.

HOLY COMMUNION and GUESTS (both returning and first-time)...



All communicants are to have been instructed in and confess the of faith to which we adhere articles as а member congregation of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS). Therefore, guests (both returning and first-time) who-prior to the service-inform a pastor that they are communicant members-ingood-standing of a congregation in communion fellowship with those of The LCMS will be invited to commune. We thank guests who are not communicants of sister congregations for honoring

our convictions and remaining in the pew during communion distribution. We sincerely desire that you commune with us. To that end, we urge you to ask a pastor about the class which would prepare you to receive communion in congregations of The LCMS. *All communicants are encouraged to review* Christian Questions with Their Answers *in the hymnal*, *p*.329-330.

COMMUNION *in the* **PEW**... If, due to health issues, you're unable to commune at the altar, be sure to indicate to an usher before the service your desire to be communed in the pew.

The Risen Christ Breathes His Peace in the Holy Absolution Summary of Scripture Lessons for the Day

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus appeared to His apostles on the first Easter Sunday. He "came and stood among them," and with His Word and the wounds in "his hands and his side," He granted them His peace (John 20:19–20). He sent them as ministers of the Gospel in His name to bestow the life-giving Holy Spirit for us and for His whole Church through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21–23). Through this apostolic ministry, He calls us to believe that He "is the Christ, the Son of God," so that by such faith we "may have life in his name" (John 20:31). The apostles "have seen and heard" this divine life manifested in the flesh of Christ, and those who succeed them in this apostolic ministry now proclaim that same Absolution to us, so that we "too may have fellowship" with the risen Christ, with the apostles and "with one another" (1 John 1:1–7). The one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church lives by "their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus," and all who believe this Word are "of one heart and soul," because in Him they truly have "everything in common" (Acts 4:32–33).

Second Sunday of Easter

7 April 2024 AD

+ DIVINE SERVICE + Setting Two

<u>PRELUDE</u>



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The sign of the cross (+) may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION

1 Iohn 1:8–9

P *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

C 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 on God's Word, our sins, and His promise of Absolution)

CONFESSION OF SINS

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C 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.

ABSOLUTION

[John 20:19-23]

- **C** Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

The Service of the Word

<u>INTROIT</u>

Psalm 105:1-5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2-3



- Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation - * if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.
- C Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;* make known his deeds among the | peoples!
- Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him;* tell of all his | wondrous works!
- **C** Glory in his | holy name;* let the hearts of those who seek the | LORD rejoice!
- Seek the LORD | and his strength;* seek his presence con- | tinually!
- **C** Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,* his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered.

P He remembers his covenant for- | ever,* the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.

C Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation - * if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Mark 10:47



HYMN OF PRAISE ~ This Is the Feast





COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



<u>READINGS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE</u> (printed on the back cover of the service folder)

After first & second readings: **P** *This is the Word of the Lord.* **C Thanks be to God.**

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

³²The full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

P This is the Word of the Lord.C **Thanks be to God.**

Christ has risen | from the dead.* [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor. He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;* he has put all things un- | der his feet.

Epistle: 1 John 1:1 – 2:2

¹That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – ²the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us – ³that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have no sin, we deceive not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

P This is the Word of the Lord.C **Thanks be to God.**



Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

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



¹⁹On 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." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So 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."

²⁶Eight 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." ²⁷Then 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." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE CREED ~ Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY. # 470 1 0and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly sons 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith ful 3 An an - gel clad white they Who sits and in see. 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear: А mong them sting! hosts in glo - ry sing, То day the grave has lost its wom - en went their way То seek the tomb where Je - sus lay. three, "Your Lord will speaks un - to the go to Gal - i lee." came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here." Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith has constant been, For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 9 On this most holy day of daysBe laud and jubilee and praise:To God your hearts and voices raise.Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SERMON

"Don't Believe Your Lying Eyes!" - John 20:24-25

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:
 P "LORD, in your mercy," or

 "Hear our prayer!"
 P "Let us pray to the LORD"

 "LORD, have mercy."

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



The Service of Holy Communion

- + Guests (both returning and first-time), please refer to "Holy Communion and Guests" on page two.
- + Communicants, to receive the Body of Christ in your hand, extend your hand. To receive our Lord's Blood from either the individual glass or the Common Cup, extend your open hand when the cup you prefer is offered.



PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Matthew 6:9–13

LORD'S PRAYER

(*notes brief pause as bell tone rings, after which the Prayer continues)

C *Our Father who art in heaven,	as we forgive those
hallowed be Thy name,	who trespass against us;
Thy kingdom come,	and lead us not into temptation,
Thy will be done on earth	but deliver us from evil.
as it is in heaven;	For Thine is the kingdom
*give us this day our daily bread;	and the power and the glory
and forgive us our trespasses	forever and ever. Amen.*

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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- 5 Soar we now where Christ has led;Foll'wing our exalted Head.Made like Him, like Him we rise;Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
- 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n! Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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THIRD DISTRIBUTION HYMN



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We are in Him made one.
For love excludes no race or clan That names the Savior's name; His family embraces all Whose Father is the same.

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

■ Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

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

C Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN.



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~ Announcements ~

♦ Sunday Christian Education Classes ♦

Adult, Youth, and Children's Christian Education Classes are offered each Sunday. Christian Education classes begin at 8:30 a.m. See below for Sunday morning offerings... <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> ... PK-Grade 5 – Meet in designated classrooms. Parents please pick up your children by 9:35 a.m. Sunday School includes instruction in the Holy Scripture and choral participation in Christian hymnody and song.

<u>**YOUTH CLASS</u></u> ... Grade 6-High School – "With All the Company of Heaven: Celebrating Triumphant Saints." Class meets in Fireside Room.</u>**

<u>ADULT CLASS</u> ... Topic: "The Word of the Lord Increased: Episodes in the Book of Acts." Class meets in Parish Hall. 'Parent/Child' room available with video/audio of Adult Bible Class.

COFFEE AND DONUTS in the Courtyard before and after Sunday worship services.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Mon:	8:30 am –	Agnus Dei Lutheran Classical Academy – Meets M-F until 3:30 pm
Tue:	10:00 am –	Circuit Pastors Meeting - Resurrection Luthrn Ch, Santa Clara
	7:30 pm –	Board of Elders – Meets in Fireside Room (<i>or online by arrangement</i>)
Wed:	9:00 am –	LCOS Homeschool Together Day - Meets until 3:00 pm
	7:00 pm —	Catechism
Thu:	10:30 am –	All Saints Bible Study - Meets in Fireside Rm
Fri:	Evening –	Church Directory Photo Sessions
Sat:	10:00 am –	Inklings: Study of <i>The Screwtape Letters</i> – Meets in Fireside Rm
Morn	ing/Evening –	Church Directory Photo Sessions
Sun:	8:30 am –	Christian Education (See above for class meeting locations)
	10:00 am –	Divine Service

"<u>BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD</u>" ...

♦ *For the HARD-OF-HEARING* ... Hearing-assistance devices available from the ushers.

[Those with pacemakers should check with physician before using devices]. Additionally,

• *For CHILDREN* ... A room from which the service can both be seen and heard is in the back of the sanctuary for children who may need it during the service.

<u>**PRIVATE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION</u></u> ... If you'd like to schedule an appointment for private (individual) confession and absolution, please speak with one of the pastors.</u>**

<u>SPRING OPEN HOUSE: AGNUS DEI LUTHERAN CLASSICAL ACADEMY</u>... If you or a friend are interested in Agnus Dei Lutheran Classical Academy for your/their children, come to the Agnus Dei Lutheran Classical Academy Spring Open House on Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (*RSVP to AgnusDeiLCA@lcos.org, or call 408.252.0250.*) For more information, contact Larry Ristow. Agnus Dei Lutheran Classical Academy is now enrolling students for the 2024-2025 academic year.

'<u>EASTER CAROLING</u>'?? ... You may have been Christmas caroling, but have you been 'Easter caroling'? Join us as we share the joy and the meaning of the resurrection of Jesus in hymn/song with residents of Belmont Village, Sunnyvale, on Sunday, April 28, 2:00 p.m. (Departing from LCOS at 1:30 p.m.) For more information, contact Pastor J. Bestul.

<u>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</u> ... Find a class (*see opposite page*) and join us as we grow in Christ through regular Christian education. Classes taught by the pastors. Have questions about classes offered? Contact one of the pastors for more information.

<u>CHURCH DIRECTORY 2024</u> ... Sign up in the Courtyard for photos to appear in the 2024 LCOS Church Pictorial Directory. Member photos to be taken April 12 and 13 at LCOS.

<u>VOTERS ASSEMBLY APRIL MEETING</u> ... The April meeting of the LCOS Voters Assembly is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30, 2024, 7:30 p.m., to meet in the Parish Hall. If voters are unable to attend due to illness or business travel, please notify the church office by 5:00 p.m. of April 30.

<u>CORPUS REMOVED</u> ... The 'trial' corpus displayed on the LCOS altar cross during the second half of Lent and Holy Week has been removed. (Its removal is not as a symbol of the resurrection of Jesus; the empty tomb, in fact, is indicative of the now risen Christ.)

<u>SACRED MUSIC FOR THE WORLD</u> ... You can fill your Easter season with sacred music. Lutheran Public Radio streams sacred music 24/7 at www.lutheranpublicradio.org.



<u>**PREPARING FOR NEXT DIVINE SERVICE**</u>... In preparation for next Divine Service... Occasion: Third Sunday of Easter; Lessons: Acts 3:11-21, 1 John 3:1-7, Luke 24:36-49; Hymn of the Day: 483, "With High Delight Let Us Unite."

SERVING:	April 7	April 14
Ushers	D. Hall, T. Lung, A. Sacarelos	D. Bunsey, M. McThrow, I. Bestul
Acolyte	Andres Sacarelos	Jacob Bestul
Altar Guild	Ling Chen, Amy Mitby	Barbara Bunsey, Sue Larkin
Communion Music	Emily Debner	Walter Mitby
Greeters	Tim & Dana Marting	David & Stephanie Bestul & family
Counters	Team 1	Team 2