

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME to First Lutheran Church! We are happy that you decided to worship with us. If you are visiting just for today, we pray that God will be with you on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we would be happy to welcome you into our church community. If you are interested in joining with the First Family, call the church office...and please worship with us again.

ALL BAPTIZED worshipers who confess the presence of Christ in the bread and wine of communion are invited to commune. Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. Communicants please complete a communion card.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS providing activities based on today's scripture readings are available in the narthex.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS containing soft Biblical figures and coloring books are available for young children to use during worship. Speak to an usher if your child is interested.

A STAFFED NURSERY (available at 10:45 worship) is located on the second floor of the education building.

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD /EASTER DAY

APRIL 04, 2010

8:15 AM & 10:45 AM

The beginning of the organ prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

GATHERING

Preludes and Silent Prayer

Easter Proclamation

Hymn "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

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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.**

This Is the Feast

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day (Celebrate insert)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray... **Amen**

WORD

First Reading Acts 10:34-43 (Celebrate insert)

R/Thanks be to God!

Psalm 118 (Celebrate insert)

(*Sung, choir and congregation*)

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (Celebrate insert)

R/Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Sung by Choir

Gospel Luke 24:1-12

R/ Glory to you, O Lord. R/ Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon *"The Tomb Is Empty! What Now?"*

Hymn of the Day "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"

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Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the Church (Celebrate insert)

The Peace

THE MEAL

Offering

Doxology

ELW # 884

Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving (Spoken or sung)



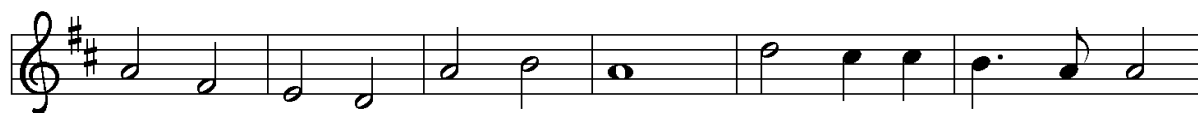
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

COMMUNION

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life. **Amen**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
Amen.

HYMN "Thine Is the Glory"

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is risen.
He is risen, indeed!

IN THE TIME BEFORE WORSHIP TODAY, the congregation is encouraged to read each introduction to the scripture readings in preparation for the hearing of God's word.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in memory of Helen Poole by her family. **CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in memory of Wendell and Minerva Smith by Barry and Beverly Attenberger.

ACOLYTES are Brandon Armstrong, Dane Leone, Julia Gogol, and Abigail Delk.

CRUCIFERS are Dylan Leone and David Gogol.

TORCH BEARERS are Alex McCanna, Lauren Nicassio, Emma Delisi, and Rachel Krunszyinsky.

BIBLE BEARERS are Joseph Ott and Jonny Heagy.

THE NURSERY for April is in the care of Amy Erdman. The nursery is on a self-watch system this morning. Parent must accompany child.

LECTORS are Sue Boggs and Rick Druschel.

TAPE MINISTRY is provided by Liz Rowe. Tapes will be delivered tomorrow by Betty Mohny.

ALTAR GUILD for April includes Bobbie Laciak and Beverly Young.

USHERS for April include at 8:15 Dwight Miller - chief, Nancy Corsaro, Brian Erdman, and Lloyd Fait; at 10:45 Al Danilko - chief, Amy Beaken, Al Leppold, and Malcolm Sias.

GREETERS are at 8:15 Pastor Marleen - north door, Vicar Jack - center, Pastor Doug - south door, Carolyn Hanzel - choir door; at 10:45 Pastor Marleen - north door, Vicar Jack - center, Pastor Doug - south door, Megan Danilko - choir door.

EASTER BREAKFAST is served from 8:45 to 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL will NOT meet today.

MONDAY NIGHT STUDY continues tomorrow evening, 7:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS this week include Social Ministry, Mon., 7:00 p.m., Property, Tues., 6:30 p.m., and Evangelism, Wed., 7:00 p.m.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL meets Tues., 7:30 p.m.

FOOD FROM THE HEART, our weekday luncheon ministry, continues this Wednesday at noon.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets this Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

CHOIRS will NOT rehearse this Thursday.

F.L.Y. AND JUNIOR F.L.Y. will meet next Sunday, 5-7:30 p.m.

THE SENIOR F.L.Y. RETREAT is planned for Friday – Sunday, May 14-16. Registration forms are available on the FLY Bulletin Board and are due in the church office by April 18. For more information speak to Pastor Marleen.

NEARLY NEW SHOPPE will be open in May. You are asked to gather your spring and summer clothing, bedding, towels, and shoes (clean and in good condition) and bring them to the church Tuesday, May 18, 9 a.m. to noon and 6 – 8:30 p.m. Items will be distributed May 19 and 20. If you can help to sort and distribute the clothing, please call Elinor Giovannini (724-834-3778).

PRAYER REQUESTS for First's Prayer Chain may be made at any time by calling the church office or by writing the request on the prayer cards in the pew racks and placing it in the offering plate. If you wish to participate on First's Prayer Chain, please contact Jean Miller. Let us lift up one another in prayer.

IF YOUR LOVED ONE IS HOSPITALIZED please notify the pastors or call the church office. Due to the new HIPA rules, the hospital does not always notify us of members' admissions.

TWO TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS are available to members of First. Members of First who plan to attend Thiel are requested to call the church office. Also, the Education Society of Westmoreland County provides Lutheran residents of the county who attend any Lutheran college the opportunity for scholarship aid. Applicants are asked to contact Lisa Robosky at 724-532-7349 or at 831 Wisconsin Avenue, Greensburg.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...a BUS TRIP to Lancaster, PA scheduled for September 11, 2010 to see "**Joseph**" at the Millennium Theater after an Amish dinner. The cost of the trip is \$115.00 which includes bus transportation, the Amish dinner, and "**Joseph**" tickets. Call the church office to make reservations or for more details.

PLEASE KEEP John Zuzarate, serving in Germany, Ben Weyandt and Scott Sibley, serving in Afghanistan, and Liz Miles, serving as a navy nurse in Kuwait in your prayers.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE last Sunday was 293.