



April 1, 2018
Easter Sunday



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Welcome!

In the name of our risen Savior, we welcome you to our Easter Celebration Service. This morning we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. May the Gospel of the resurrection of Christ give you true peace on this joyous day!

**THE GODLY AND SCRIPTURAL PRACTICE
 OF CLOSE COMMUNION**

As a visitor or guest of Gloria Dei, you may be interested and relieved to know that we do not seek to impose our Biblical practice of Holy Communion upon you. In fact, as an expression of fellowship this observance is intended only for those who have been made familiar in advance with the essence of the Sacrament, and who have previously expressed their communicant fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS). This is what is meant by the Scriptural practice called "Close Communion".

While in former years nearly all Lutheran church bodies held firmly to this practice, in recent decades most have abandoned it. It is with a measure of godly appreciation and forthrightness that we still retain it. We joyfully extend altar fellowship at the Lord's Table to the communicant members of the WELS, and to those of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) with whom we are presently in fellowship. If you have any questions about our practice, please contact Pastor Himm.

Come Let Us Worship

Hymns: 150, 143, 162, 152

Sunday School Children: "On Easter Day in the Morning"

Choir: "Crown Him the Risen King" "Hallelujah Chorus"

First Lesson: Isaiah 12:1-6

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 15:51-57

Gospel Reading: John 20:1-18

Message: Matthew 28:11-15

***His Disciples Came During the Night
 and Stole Him Away***

THOSE WHO ARE SERVING YOU THIS MORNING:

USHERS: Mark Moore, Logan Moore, & Reagan Moore

GREETERS: Scott & Donna Freimark

COMMUNION SET UP: King

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Tom Furnner & Jim Luisier

POWER POINT ASSISTANT: Tobias Edgett

COUNTERS: Moore & Neuwirth

CLEANERS FOR APRIL 8: Mortimer

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU NEXT SUNDAY:

USHERS: Joe King, Brian King, & Spencer King

GREETERS: Tom & Pat Furnner

POWER POINT ASSISTANT: Reagan Moore

COUNTERS: Mortimer & Major

CLEANER FOR APRIL 15: Major

*Christ
 is
 Risen!*

OUR LOVE FOR GOD'S WORD & WORK

March 25	Attendance	Fund	Offering
Worship	120	General	\$2,439.00
Adult Sunday School	26	Easter for Kids	256.00
Teen Sunday School	6	MLS	60.00
Children's Sunday School	21	Missions*	10.00
Thursday Morning ABC	14		

March 29	Attendance	Fund	Offering
Maundy Thursday	71	General	\$627.00
Communed	49		

March 30	Attendance	Fund	Offering
Good Friday	84	General	\$578.60

Weekly General Fund Budget \$4,488.46

Quarterly Mission Project *Multi-Language Publications

Daily Bible Reading

Date	Old T.	Psalms	Proverbs	New T.
1-Apr	Deut. 15,16	78: 34-55	1	Acts 11,12
2-Apr	Deut. 17-19	78: 56-72	2	Acts 13
3-Apr	Deut. 20,21	79	3	Acts 14
4-Apr	Deut. 22,23	80	4	James 1,2
5-Apr	Deut. 24,25	81	5	James 3-5
6-Apr	Deut. 26,27	82	6	Acts 15
7-Apr	Deut. 28	83	7	Gal. 1,2
8-Apr	Deut. 29,30	84	8	Gal. 3,4

THIS WEEK AT GLORIA DEI

Saturday 8:30 a.m. Women's Book Club

There will be no Thursday Morning Bible Class this week.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Today's Altar flowers are given by the Hulls in celebration of their 43rd anniversary. Happy anniversary Ron & Lisa!

EASTER EGG HUNT: We will be having our annual Easter Egg Hunt this morning after the service. All children are invited to participate.

EASTER LILIES: If you purchased Easter Lilies for the Altar please take them home after the service this morning.

DONATION SUNDAY: Next Sunday, **April 8**, is Donation Sunday. The Ladies Guild asks that you bring in donations of commonly used items, such as: coffee, coffee filters, coffee creamers, paper products, plastic silverware, Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towel, hand soap, dish soap, batteries (AA & AAA), etc. If you do not wish to bring in something you can also make a monetary donation that will be used to purchase those needed items.

MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM: Michigan Lutheran Seminary will match 25% of congregational support to the MLS Student Financial Aid Fund, in support of a specific student(s). Anyone wishing to donate to this program to help Reagan Moore, please mark **SPECIAL and indicated it is for MLS** on your envelope. **DEADLINE is April 15.**

LWMS SPRING RALLY: This year's LWMS Spring Rally will be at Mt. Sinai in Montrose on **Sunday, April 22.**

CONFIRMATION BRUNCH: Please join us on **April 29** as we celebrate our Confirmands, Garrett Edgett, Makenna Gardiner, Joe Hoppe, & Kaitlyn Straub, with a pot-luck brunch after the service. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.