

IN NOMINE JESU CHRISTI

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Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands For our offenses given;
But now at God's right hand He stands And Brings us life from heaven.
Therefore let us joyful be And sing to God right thankfully
Loud songs of alleluia! Alleluia!

Of all the observances and celebrations of the church, the most joyful, important, and meaningful must be Easter—the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus. For on that fateful early, purple dawn, in a Jewish graveyard, from a borrowed tomb, Jesus, crucified, dead, and buried stepped forth whole and glorious–and ALIVE! This world and your life in it are forever changed.

The Lamb of God's death on Calvary's Cross paid for the sin of the whole world. Most especially it paid for your personal sins. Yet, that precious and sinless death on the Holy Cross has no meaning without Easter. Good Friday presupposes Resurrection! Remember what our Lord Jesus said: ***"We are going to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and teachers of the law. They will condemn Him to death and will hand Him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day He will be raised to life!"*** (Matthew 20:18-19)

Easter marks the culmination of all God's love and plan for salvation. The problem is death—the **"wages of sin."** Our Father in heaven is perfect and righteous in every way. He is life itself and love personified. We are in ourselves totally imperfect and unrighteous. Death dwells in us and is the sure and final end for each and every person.

But in Christ, God solves the problem. The tomb is empty! This is proof positive of Jesus' victory over death. We know now with certainty that Jesus destroyed death on the cross because He was raised to life on the third day—just as He said. We have real reason to rejoice even in this time of war and uncertainty. We have victory—we have Jesus!

Friends, in this joyful Eastertide, may you be filled with faith and an urgent desire to do the will of God in your life and the lives around you. Serve one another with glad and humble hearts. Raise songs of joy and courage in worship and pray that the Peace of God in the resurrection of Jesus may spread through all the world. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! God bless you. Pastor Loewe

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April 5, 2026

"You Don't Know What You Have Till It's Gone"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Death is the enemy of life, but in Jesus, God made death become life's servant.

1 Corinthians 15:26

April 12, 2026

"Early Adopters"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

The risen Jesus is the "display model" of what we will be, through faith in Him.

1 Corinthians 15:20

April 19, 2026

"Not in Vain"

Guest Speaker: Pastor Ryan Tinetti

Because Jesus lives, your future is certain. You can also be confident that your present life has meaning and worth. In the Lord, your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

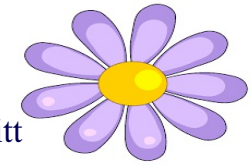
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APRIL 5 9:30 am EASTER FESTIVAL SERVICE MUSIC SOS DEACONS Keith Fischer & Tom Miazgowicz ALTAR CARE Cyndy Higgins & Karen Komorowski	APRIL 12 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER MUSIC SOS DEACONS Dave Mulligan & Jay Reaume ALTAR CARE Cyndy Higgins & Karen Komorowski
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