

JESUS SAID:  
"PEACE  
be with  
YOU"

- JOHN 20:19

April 14, 2024

*Good Hope Lutheran Church*

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14, 2024

10:30 a.m.

The Ringing of the Bell

The Welcome & Announcements

**\*The Easter Proclamation** (spoken boldly)

P: Christ is risen. Alleluia!

**C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: This is the day the Lord has made.

**C: We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: The angel spoke to the disciples, "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene who was crucified. He is risen." Alleluia!

**C: Christ has destroyed death. Alleluia!**

P: Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things;

**C: His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.**

\*The Opening Hymn

*"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

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\*The 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.**

\*The Prayer of the Day (unison)

Holy and righteous God, **you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The First Reading

-Acts 3:12-19

<sup>12</sup>Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?"

<sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our

ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. <sup>17</sup>“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

The Senior Choir           *“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”*

The Psalm -Psalm 4

<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**<sup>2</sup>“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?”**

<sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.

**<sup>4</sup>Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

<sup>5</sup>Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

**<sup>6</sup>Many are saying, “Who will show us any good?” Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.**

<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine abound.

**<sup>8</sup>In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

The Second Reading -1 John 3:1-7

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been

revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

\*The Verse & Responses

*“Alleluia, Lord...”*

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A reading from the Gospel of Luke. **C: Glory to you O Lord.**

\*The Holy Gospel

-Luke 24:36b-48

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence. <sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you O Christ.**

The Sermon

The Hymn

*“Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!”*

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\*The Prayers

\*The Easter Creed and Baptismal Remembrance

P: Here is water, the place where your life in the Lord began. Once you were no people; now you are God's people. Do you believe in God the Father?

**C: Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven**

**and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**C: Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**C: Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

P: Do you renounce the devil and all evil works and ways? Do you renounce your old, dead life?

**C: Yes, for once we were dead in our sins, but now we are alive in Christ Jesus!**

P: Is it your desire to live as an Easter alleluia?

**C: We will continue to celebrate the presence of God's love in our lives. We will continue to grow with each other in Christ, our risen Lord. We will live as Easter alleluias!**

\*The Exchange of Peace

The Offering

\*The Offertory *“Let the vineyards...”* page 66

\*The Great Thanksgiving & *“Holy, Holy, Holy”* page 68

\*The Words of Institution

\*The Lord’s Prayer page 71

\* The Distribution *“Lamb of God...”* page 72

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\*The Post Communion Prayer

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

\*The Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope bless you now and always. **Amen.**

\*The Sending

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

\*The Sending Hymn

*"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"*

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\*The Postlude

\*Congregation stand if you are able

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**THE OFFERING TODAY** and next Sunday is for current expenses.

**PASTOR JOHN'S OFFICE HOURS:**

**Monday 9:30-12:30 at Immanuel**

**Tuesday 9:30-12:30 at St. John's**

**Wednesday 9:30 to 12:30 at Good Hope**

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE** *Holy Communion. All who seek to meet Jesus, who is present body and blood in the bread and wine, are welcome to come to the table. Gluten free bread and grape juice are available. Just let the pastor or people serving communion know you need it.*

**THANK YOU TO** everyone who donated items to the Church of the Damascus Road for their Men's Clothing Drive! Everything that was collected will be delivered to Pastor Glasgo at the Synod Assembly on April 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>.



**THIS WEEK AT GOOD HOPE**

Today

6:00 p.m.

Youth Night @ Good Hope

Mon., April 15

6:30 p.m.

Bible Study @ Immanuel

Tues., April 16	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
Wed., April 17	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation @ Good Hope
Thurs., April 18	9:15 a.m.	Morning Circle
<b>Fri., April 19 &amp; Sat., April 20</b>		<b>Synod Assembly in Council Bluffs</b>
Sun., April 21	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Senior Choir Practice
	10:30 a.m.	Worship/Noisy Offering

**THE THEME FOR** the Church’s 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary next summer will be, “*I Love to Tell the Story*”. It had 24 votes and “*Great is thy Faithfulness*” had 24.

**THE TITONKA CARE CENTER** invites you to attend an Antique Toy Show on **Thursday, April 11th at 2:30 p.m.** at the Titonka Care Center. Refreshments will be served after. On Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. they will be having a Quilt Show with refreshments. They look forward to seeing you!

**TITONKA CARE CENTER** Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Titonka Care Center. Please join us for the 2023 Year in Review, Employee Service Awards, Election of Board Member, Old and New Business. Refreshments will be served.

Titonka Care Center Board of Directors

**THE FIRST COMMUNION** Workshop will be held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for anyone who is ready. First Communion for those who attend the workshop will be on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> during our 10:30 a.m. worship service. **If you and your child/ren are planning on attending the workshop, please let Pastor John know ASAP! Thank you!**