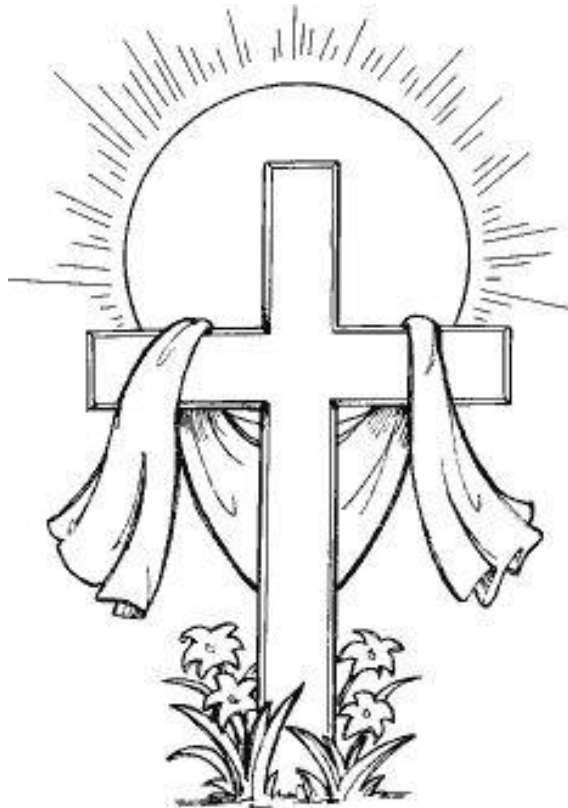


# *Easter Sunday*



# Good Hope Lutheran Church

## RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD EASTER SUNDAY

April 5, 2026

10:30 a.m.

The Prelude & Meditation

The Ringing of the Bell

The Welcome & Announcements

\*The Opening Hymn      *“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”*      LBW #151

\*The Easter Proclamation (spoken boldly)

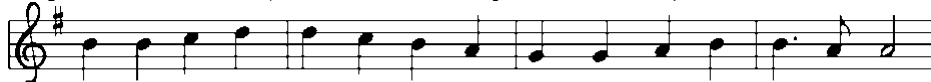
Christ is risen. Alleluia! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

This is the day the Lord has made. **We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

The angel spoke to women by his tomb, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised...” **Christ has destroyed death. Alleluia!**

Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things.

\*Hymn of Praise (*tune Ode to Joy Beethoven*)



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en: peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

\*The Prayer of the Day (unison)

**God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through 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

-Jeremiah 31:1-6

<sup>1</sup> At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. <sup>2</sup> Thus says the LORD: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, <sup>3</sup> the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. <sup>4</sup> Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall adorn yourself with your tambourines and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. <sup>5</sup> Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit. <sup>6</sup> For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God."

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

The Psalm

-Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."**

<sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup> **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**

<sup>16</sup> The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup> **I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup> The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup> **Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

<sup>20</sup> "This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup> **I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup> **By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup> This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The Second Reading

-Acts 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as

witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

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

\*Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

\*The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 28:1-10

C: **Glory to you O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message

for you.”<sup>8</sup> So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples.<sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him.<sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

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

Children’s Sermon

The Sermon

*“God’s answer is yes”*

The Hymn

*“I Know that My Redeemer Lives!”* vss. 1-4 LBW #352

\*Prayers

\*Baptismal Remembrance

Here is water, the place where our new life in Christ Jesus begins.

**Through water and the Word God has made us into a new people.**

By water and Word, God delivers us from sin and death raising us to new life in Jesus.

**We are united with all baptized people into one body in Christ.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Do you renounce the devil and all his evil works and ways?

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

Is it your desire to live as Easter people?

**Yes, we will continue to celebrate God's love in our lives. We will continue to grow together in Christ, our risen Lord. We will live as Easter people!**

\*Peace

Offering

\*Offertory



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

\*Offertory Prayer

**Risen God, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.**

\*The Great Thanksgiving

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

\*Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, 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.**



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Distribution Hymns: LBW #128, LBW #154

**\*Prayer After Communion**

Living God, **in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.**

**\*Blessing**

The living God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.**

**\*Dismissal**

**Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*Closing Hymn**      *“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”*      LBW #143

**\*Postlude**

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**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.*

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

**PASTOR JOHN’S OFFICE HOURS:** Mon, 9:30-12:30 at Immanuel,  
Tues. 9:30-12:30 at St. John’s, Wed. 9:30 to 12:30 at Good Hope.

**THIS WEEK AT GOOD HOPE**

Tues., April 7	5:00-7:00 p.m.	Care Center Sloppy Joe Meal followed by Annual Meeting
Wed., April 8	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Thurs., April 9	9:15 a.m.	Morning Circle
Sun., April 12	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	1:00 p.m.	First Communion Class student/parent
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group at Good Hope

**PASTOR HERBERT HANSON** is celebrating his 100th birthday. He served Good Hope Lutheran as pastor in the 1960s through the 1970s. You are invited to attend an open house celebration in the community room of his assisted living facility. The birthday celebration will be held on Saturday, April 11 from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Mainstreet Lodge in Minneapolis. Cards will reach him at:

Pastor Herbert Hanson  
909 NE Main Street, Apt. 101  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55413

**ANYONE WILLING TO BAKE** cookies for the Titonka Care Center would really be appreciated. Thankfully, we have more residents, plus the staff to serve. If interested and able to help out, please call Carole Tuecke. Thank you!

### **SLOPPY JOE SUPPER & TITONKA CARE CENTER ANNUAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 7TH**

The Friends of the Titonka Care Center are hosting a Sloppy Joe meal on Tuesday, April 7th in the Fellowship Hall from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Menu includes Sloppy Joe sandwiches, Pasta Salad, Scotcheroos, and a Drink with 100% of your free will offering will support the Hail Mary Fund.

At the conclusion of the meal, the public is invited and encouraged to attend the Titonka Care Center Annual meeting to be held in the church sanctuary at 7:00 p.m.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

The First Communion Class will be held on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at Good Hope. Please let Pastor John know ASAP if your child will be attending the class! A parent or guardian is asked to attend. First Communion will be on April 26<sup>th</sup> during our worship service.

The Rite of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2026. Mark your calendars now!



**IT'S TIME TO ROUND UP OUR PIGS!** The piggy banks were our Lent project for God's Global Barnyard, an arm of ELCA World Hunger. You may drop the piggy banks in the offering plates or place them on the altar in of any of our churches in the next couple weeks.

*GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD*

*•An Easter Lily given in loving memory of Bill & Janet Madsen and Arthur & Vivian Dietrich given by their family.*

*•Three poinsettias given in loving memory of Bud & Marilyn, Heesch, Joy Nelson, Clarence & Hazel Akkerman, Bruce Akkerman, Harold Wibben, Randy Stock, Wayne Worth, Dave Huff, David Huff, Marlin Uglund, and Mike & Di Movick. They are given by Mark & Brenda Heesch.*

