

## ***In Our Prayers***

**Healing, strength, and guidance for:** Marcy, Chad, Pam, Jimmy, Jerry, Lois, Lora Conrad, Judy Hines, Dave Y., Brian Tracy, Norm Larson, Sharon, Rick Taylor, Karin, Adrian, Christy, Dave Olson, Joyce, Chris S., David A., Alec Taylor, Cordell, Daniel, Bob, Kristan, Bradley, Alec Taylor, Kole, Patty, Andrew, Suzanne, Olaf, Ron, Sonja, Debbie Beck, Lucretia, Joe, Lyn, Linda, Abbey L., Bradley, Katie, Paul, Justin, Ameera, and Teresa.

**For those suffering loss:** The family and friends of Joan Cofold, Pauline Lawhorn, and Al & Melinda Reitman. Barry Prescott upon loss of wife Barbara.

## **Weekly Schedule**

### **Sunday (April 11)**

9:00am Worship

### **Monday (April 12)**

9:30am Prayer Group

6:30pm Church council

### **Tuesday (April 13)**

8am-12pm Annunciation Homeschool

3:30pm Confirmation Class

### **Wednesday (April 14)**

7:00pm Altar Guild

### **Thursday (April 15)**

8am-3:30pm Annunciation Homeschool

### **Saturday (April 17)**

7:00am Men's Group

## **Volunteer Schedule**

### **April 18**

**AV:** Volunteer

**Acolyte:** Volunteer

**Ushers:** Sherre Faulkner & Dan King

**Reader:** Steve Shrider

**Counters:** Dorothy Bush & Sandy Buske

### **April 25**

**AV:** Stacy Diemel

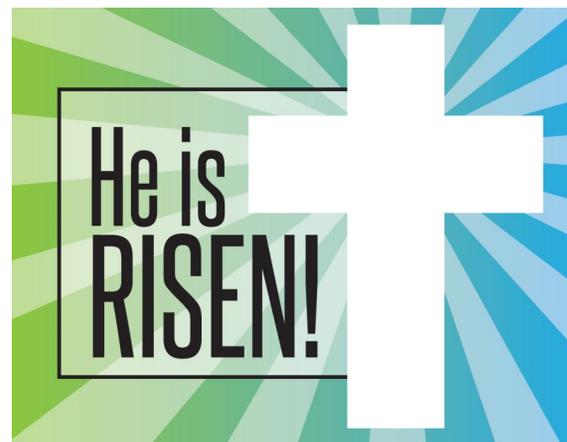
**Acolyte:** Elliott Diemel

**Ushers:** Greg & Luann Bartz

**Reader:** Darran Landenberger

**Counters:** Luann Bartz & Pam Novotnak

Prince of Peace  
*Faith, Family, Community*



## **CHURCH RECORDS FOR 4/4/21**

Attendance: 63

Collection: \$5,340

***The flowers on the altar*** are in honor of Jim and Nancy Freedlund's wedding anniversary.

April 11, 2021

Welcome to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

**PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING**

**WELCOME**

*(please rise)*

**BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION:**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *(Silence for reflection.)*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

**SONGS OF PRAISE:**

**“Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!”**

(green LBW #131, v.1-3)

Christ is risen alleluia  
Risen our victorious head  
Sing His praises alleluia  
Christ is risen from the dead  
Gratefully our hearts adore Him  
As His light once more appears  
Bowing down in joy before Him  
Rising up from grief and tears

**Chorus**

**Christ is risen alleluia  
Risen our victorious head  
Sing His praises alleluia  
Christ is risen from the dead**

Christ is risen all the sadness  
Of our Lenten fast is o'er  
Through the open gates of gladness  
He returns to life once more  
Death and hell before Him bending  
See Him rise the Victor now  
Angels on His steps attending  
Glory round His wounded brow

**Chorus**

(hymn continued)

Christ is risen all the sorrow  
That last evening round Him lay  
Now has found a glorious morrow  
In the rising of today  
See the grave its firstfruits giving  
Springing up from holy ground  
He was dead but now is living  
He was lost but now is found  
**Chorus**

**“The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done”**

(LBW #135, v.1-3)

**Chorus**  
**Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

The strife is o'er the battle done  
Now is the victor's triumph won  
Now be the song of praise begun  
Alleluia  
**Chorus**

The pow'rs of death have done their worst  
But Christ their legions has dispersed  
Let shouts of holy joy outburst  
Alleluia  
**Chorus**

The three sad days have quickly sped  
He rises glorious from the dead  
All glory to our risen Head  
Alleluia  
**Chorus**

**SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray...

**C:** **Almighty God, we have celebrated with joy the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

*(please be seated)*

**FIRST READING:** Acts 4:32-35

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

**SECOND READING:** I John 1:1-2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen

and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

**RESPONSIVE READING:** Psalm 148:1-6, 13-14

L: Praise the LORD from the heavens;

**C: praise him in the heights above.**

L: Praise him, all his angels;

**C: praise him, all his heavenly hosts.**

L: Praise him, sun and moon;

**C: praise him, all you shining stars.**

L: Praise him, you highest heavens

**C: and you waters above the skies.**

L: Let them praise the name of the LORD,

**C: for at his command they were created,**

L: and he established them for ever and ever—

**C: he issued a decree that will never pass away.**

L: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted;

**C: his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.**

L: And he has raised up for his people a horn, the praise of all his faithful servants, of Israel, the people close to his heart.

**C: Praise the LORD.**

*(please rise)*

**ALLELUIA:** (LBW p. 62)

**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia. Alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

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

**GOSPEL TEXT:** John 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(please be seated)*

### **THE MESSAGE**

*(please rise)*

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:**

L: Lord, in Your mercy...

C: **Hear our prayer.**

### **OFFERTORY: "Give Thanks"** *(ushers bring forward offering)*

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son  
**(repeat)**

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"

Let the poor say,

"I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."

**(repeat)**

Give thanks, give thanks

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:** *(spoken)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed ..... their unending hymn.

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

P: Blessed are you...as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: In the night...

**LORD'S PRAYER:**

C: **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.**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen**

**POST COMMUNION HYMN:** (green) - page 72-73

C: **Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**BLESSING:** (spoken, LBW, p. 74)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace

C: **Amen**

**CLOSING SONG:** "Way Maker" video

**BLESSING & DISMISSAL**

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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**Reader:** Sue Peterson   **Counters:** Greg Bartz & Brad Mueller