

The 2nd Sunday of Easter

April 28th, 2019



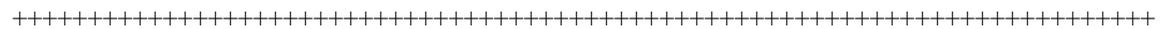
“On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side.”

John 20:19–20

WELCOME! We extend a cordial welcome to everyone in the name of our crucified and risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! If you are a visitor please be sure to sign our guest book located in our church's narthex. Visitors are always welcome in our midst.

AS WE GATHER—*"Alive Forevermore!"*

Jesus said to Thomas, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Though we don't have the privilege of seeing Jesus in person as Thomas, the disciples, and many others did, we do have the privilege of seeing Jesus in the Word. We have the privilege of being touched by Jesus in Holy Baptism. And we have the privilege of being in communion with Jesus in the Lord's Supper. Jesus still comes through the "locked doors" we may have and brings a blessed peace to us as He did in the flesh long ago!



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OPENING HYMN "Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain" (LSB 865)

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SCRIPTURE READINGS:

+ **FIRST READING**—*Acts 5:12–20* (God's Word goes out to the people through the apostles.)

GRADUAL (*Read responsively*) adapt. from *Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

+ **EPISTLE**—*Revelation 1:4–18* (John's vision of Christ's eternal glory)

VERSE—*"Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia."*

+ **HOLY GOSPEL**—*John 20:19–31* (Jesus appears to disciples hiding behind locked doors and brings peace by His resurrection.)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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EXAMINATION OF CONFIRMANDS

Jordan Joseph Zastrow, Jayden Tammy Jean McCoy, Ethan Ryan Marquette & Michael Scott Muench

HYMN OF THE DAY—“O Sons and Daughters of the King” (LSB 470 vs. 1–8)

SERMON—“Forgiveness Stronger than Death” (1 Samuel 24.1–20)

Sermon Text: 1 Samuel 24:1–20

¹ When Saul returned from following the Philistines, he was told, “Behold, David is in the wilderness of Engedi.” ²Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel and went to seek David and his men in front of the Wildgoats’ Rocks. ³And he came to the sheepfolds by the way, where there was a cave, and Saul went in to relieve himself. Now David and his men were sitting in the innermost parts of the cave. ⁴And the men of David said to him, “Here is the day of which the LORD said to you, ‘Behold, I will give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it shall seem good to you.’” Then David arose and stealthily cut off a corner of Saul’s robe. ⁵And afterward David’s heart struck him, because he had cut off a corner of Saul’s robe. ⁶He said to his men, “The LORD forbid that I should do this thing to my lord, the LORD’s anointed, to put out my hand against him, seeing he is the LORD’s anointed.” ⁷So David persuaded his men with these words and did not permit them to attack Saul. And Saul rose up and left the cave and went on his way.

⁸Afterward David also arose and went out of the cave, and called after Saul, “My lord the king!” And when Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his face to the earth and paid homage. ⁹And David said to Saul, “Why do you listen to the words of men who say, ‘Behold, David seeks your harm’?” ¹⁰Behold, this day your eyes have seen how the LORD gave you today into my hand in the cave. And some told me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, ‘I will not put out my hand against my lord, for he is the LORD’s anointed.’ ¹¹See, my father, see the corner of your robe in my hand. For by the fact that I cut off the corner of your robe and did not kill you, you may know and see that there is no wrong or treason in my hands. I have not sinned against you, though you hunt my life to take it. ¹²May the LORD judge between me and you, may the LORD avenge me against you, but my hand shall not be against you. ¹³As the proverb of the ancients says, ‘Out of the wicked comes wickedness.’ But my hand shall not be against you. ¹⁴After whom has the king of Israel come out? After whom do you pursue? After a dead dog! After a flea! ¹⁵May the LORD therefore be judge and give sentence between me and you, and see to it and plead my cause and deliver me from your hand.”

¹⁶As soon as David had finished speaking these words to Saul, Saul said, “Is this your voice, my son David?” And Saul lifted up his voice and wept. ¹⁷He said to David, “You are more righteous than I, for you have repaid me good, whereas I have repaid you evil. ¹⁸And you have declared this day how you have dealt well with me, in that you did not kill me when the LORD put me into your hands. ¹⁹For if a man finds his enemy, will he let him go away safe? So may the LORD reward you with good for what you have done to me this day. ²⁰And now, behold, I know that you shall surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in your hand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each petition of the prayers ends by the pastor saying: “Lord, in Your mercy” and the congregation responding: “Hear our prayer”

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CONCLUDING COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, amid doubts and fears, Your gift of faith gives us the confidence that You are continually by our side because Jesus lives forevermore. As we wait until that day of unending glory with Him, teach us to live the lives you’ve given as a reflection of Your love, that we serve You and others in truth and give honor to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN—“Let Me Be Thine Forever”

(LSB 689)

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!



Attendance in Worship Last Sunday: 138

Officiant: Pastor John M. Taggatz

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REMINDER! Pastor’s Office Hours for Christ & Calvary

Monday (Christ) 9:30 am-1pm

Tuesday (Christ) 10:15 am-1pm

Wednesday (Calvary) 9:30am -1pm

Thursday (Calvary): 9am - 1pm

Friday (Pastor’s Day Off)

Visitations: Monday through Thursday afternoons

For Appointments, Call Calvary or Christ Office or Pastor's Cell Phone.

For an Emergency, Call Pastor Taggatz: 715-467-1231

CELC Prayer List— Kevin Morrow (surgery & healing); Louis Hartzke (hospice); Samuel Cartwright; Bob & Bev Buchholtz; Sam Ives, (needing a liver and heart transplant); Ron Wurm (heart problems); Bud & Judy Keller; Michael Felske (rehabilitation); Daryl (cancer); Todd Monroe (cancer); Judy (brain tumor) friend of Fred Monroe; Chris Schliepp (healing); Pete Fishbach (strength and healing) friend of Jerry & Rene Dorsett; Laverne Lipke (healing & strength); Cindy Schuett (cancer); Karen Hansen (cancer) mother of Jennifer Hansen.

In the Military: Kaitlin Young, Fort Campbell, KY.

Our Shut Ins: Doris Buchholtz, Louis Hartzke, Mary Grambsch, Lisa Liepert, Stanley Behm, and Elvis Behm.

We mourn—We pray for the family of Dirk Niebaum, a relative of the Taggatz family, who was recently called home to heavenly rest. Lord, help Dirk's family to know that because Jesus lives, they too shall live and have eternal life in His name. Let us give thanks to the Lord and pray for the day when we shall be together with those who have gone before us into paradise, united in Christ's presence forever. Amen

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Congratulations to our Calvary Lutheran Confirmation Students!

God's blessings to ***Abigail & Allie*** upon their journey with Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior that was started on the day of their baptisms and has continued to their Confirmation TODAY! Congratulations to them as they have confirmed their Christian faith that God gave to them in their baptism!

Abigail Lou Marcy's Confirmation verse: 1 Cor. 13:7, "*Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.*"

Baptismal Date: October 23rd, 2005

Allie Elizabeth Caldiero's Confirmation Verse: Philippians 4:7, "*And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*"

Baptismal Date: April 24th, 2005

Calling All Graduates!!! Graduation Sunday is coming up at Christ Lutheran Church and School on Sunday May 19th. The 8th Graders at Christ Lutheran School will be recognized for graduating this year. Also, we are asking that any High School or College age students of our congregations of Christ & Calvary that are graduating would also join us for this event. They may also wear their cap and gown to be recognized for their graduation. Please let us know what school they are graduating from, and if it is from college, what is their major? We will publish this information in the church's bulletins on May 19th.

The Vacation Bible School Volunteers have met from Christ & Calvary Lutheran Churches and we have selected a program for the summer for our two churches. We will be doing the VBS Program “*The Incredible Race*” from Answers in Genesis. We are looking to have Christ Lutheran’s VBS on July 22nd-26th. Calvary’s VBS will be the week of June 24th-28th from 5-8pm Monday through Friday. If you would like to help out please speak with Chantel Mundschau at Christ or Krisann Marcy at Calvary.

The regular occurring **Christ Lutheran Voter's meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday May 19th, 2019** immediately following the Worship Service. Please plan on attending our May Voter’s Meeting, as your input and involvement in our Lutheran Church and School is deeply needed, and greatly appreciated. Thanks for your support of our ministries here at Christ Lutheran Church & School!!!

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST

<p><u>Sunday – April 28</u> 8:30 AM Worship Service</p>
<p><u>Tuesday – April 30</u> 8:30 AM Chapel</p>
<p><u>Wednesday – May 1</u> 1-4 Grades Going on Field Trip “Grignon Mansion”</p>
<p><u>Thursday – May 2</u> 9:00 AM- 11:00 AM Pre K Visitation Day 10:00 AM Bible Study @ Calvary</p>
<p><u>Friday – May 3</u> Pastor’s Day Off</p>
<p><u>Sunday – May 4</u> 8:30 AM Worship Service w/Holy Communion 9:45 AM Adult Bible Class 5:00 PM Elder’s Meeting</p>

In the case of inclement weather please check with WDUX radio 92.7 FM to see if our congregation’s worship service has been cancelled.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BIBLE STUDY? Pastor John is leading Bible Study on Thursdays at Calvary Lutheran Waupaca at 10:00am. Come join us as we study God’s Word together! We are currently studying, “*The Augsburg Confession Today*” a Bible Study from the Lutheran Confessions. This is a study that helps people to understand the basics of our Lutheran teachings today from a Biblical perspective in our 21st Century modern world.

Children’s Quiet Bags are available for your kids here at Christ and Calvary Lutheran Churches. These bags are full of coloring books, Bible Story books, and various other items for your child to play with during the worship service. Please ask an usher and we will be sure to get you one before the worship service.

CALLING ALL USHERS FOR CELC--We are in need of ushers here at Christ Lutheran for 2019. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would like to help out. If interested, please contact Bryan Brazil at: [920-867-3646](tel:920-867-3646).

SCRIP AT CELC—SCRIP is being sold following the 8:30am service in the church basement. Thank you for your ongoing support.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR—"World Turned Upside Down" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Doubt is a normal part of our present human experience. Only the presence of the risen Jesus will overcome it. (John 20:19-31)The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: lhm.org scroll down the page and click on, "*listen now.*" Or listen to any of these local radio stations on Sunday mornings.

- 5:30am The Lutheran Hour, WTMJ (AM 620)
- 7:30am The Lutheran Hour, WJMQ (FM 92.3)
- 8:00 am The Lutheran Hour, WDUX (AM 800)
- 10:00 am The Lutheran Hour, WRVM (FM 102.7)

"Death is the enemy of the human race—an enemy no one can fight or avoid forever. But God has done a new thing—He has raised Jesus Christ from the dead, never to die again. What other god has done anything like that in all the stories and fables? But wait, there's more. What god has ever promised to share everlasting life with everyone who trusts in him? Only the true God. Only Jesus." *Daily Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org (For those who have made an abortion decision, there is a Word of Hope, Lutherans For Life's post-abortion healing ministry. Call 888.217.8679 or email info@word-of-hope.org.)

The Congregation at Prayer Sunday April 28th, 2019, The Second Sunday of Easter

Catechism: Table of Duties—To Wives: Ephesians 5:22; 1 Peter 3:5-6

Verse of the week: John 15:5, "*I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.*"

Psalm of the week: Psalm 30

Hymn of the week: (LSB 461) "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" (stanzas 1-3, 8)

Sunday— Jesus Appears in the Upper Room—John 20:19-31

Monday— The Resurrection of Our Lord—Luke 24:1-12

Tuesday— The Disciples on the Road to Emmaus—Luke 24:13-27

Wednesday— Jesus Is Revealed in the Breaking of the Bread—Luke 24:28-35

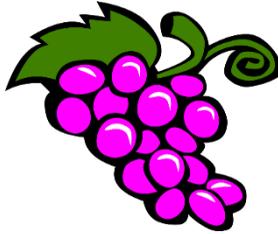
Thursday— Jesus Eats Broiled Fish in the Upper Room—Luke 24:33-49

Friday—Jesus Ordains the Apostles—John 20:19-31

If there's a prayer request for Christ or Calvary please be sure to keep us updated as to how they are doing. If someone is feeling better, we would certainly want to give a prayer of thanksgiving for their healing as well...

Stewardship Minute— Money is an integral part of our lives, because so much of life revolves around it. In God's Word, we find many references to money and possessions. In fact, it is one of the most discussed topics in Scripture. The Bible helps us see that our faith influences how we handle money, and we also see that how we handle it influences our faith. Faith and money intersect constantly. Jesus tells us that we are to serve God rather than to be slaves to money and possessions. We can't worship the Almighty and the almighty dollar. With God's help, we can fix our eyes and hearts on Jesus and serve Him only.

**GOD HAS CHOSEN US TO BEAR
FRUIT. FRUIT IS WHAT IS
EXPECTED OF ALL CHRISTIANS.**



“By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be My disciples” (John 15:8).

Are you celebrating a baptism, birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion, or remembering a loved one who has gone to be with the Lord? If so, you can donate flowers on the altar for that particular week you are celebrating a special occasion or remembering a loved one. Please call Susanne Utecht if you are interested in donating flowers at: (920) 867-4225.

FLOWER COMMITTEE: You will find a Flower Committee sign-up sheet. We are looking for one or two people to take care of flowers/plants for a month. The person(s) would be in responsible for Altar flowers and watering the green plants. If you are interested, please sign up or contact Susanne Utecht.