



Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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*Why do you
seek the Living among the dead?*

**HE IS NOT HERE;
HE IS RISEN.**

1873-2022

149 Years of God's Grace

Sharing with Everyone the Good News of Salvation Through Jesus Christ!

Divine Service
9:00 a.m.
Holy Communion
1st & 3rd Sundays

Bible Class &
Sunday School
10:15 a.m.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
P.O. BOX 69 WARDA, TX 78960

Sunday, April 17, 2022

Easter Festival Service

GUESTS AND VISITORS: Welcome to Holy Cross and to today's worship service. We are glad you are here! Please register your attendance in the Fellowship Book in the pew (be sure to include the name of any children with you today). We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you have any questions, or have an interest in joining Holy Cross, please speak with Pastor or one of our Elders.

OUR COMMUNION POLICY: Communicant members of LC-MS congregations are welcome to join us for Communion. Please mark the Fellowship Book, providing us with your address and the name of your home congregation. In keeping with our confessional heritage, we practice "close communion." If you are not a member of an LC-MS congregation and wish to commune, we ask that you please visit with Pastor or one of our Elder's before partaking of Holy Communion. Thank you.

Christ's Resurrection Is the Firstfruits of the New Creation

The Lord has promised to "*create new heavens and a new earth*" (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are "*the offspring of the blessed of the LORD*" (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For "*if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied*" (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, "*the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep*" (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be "*perplexed about this*" (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an "*idle tale*" (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.

Prelude - Selected

The Ringing of the Church Bell

Kids Choir - "Easter Medley"

Words of Welcome

[please stand]

The Invocation

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

C: ♪ Amen.

The Confession of Sins & Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: ♪ **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: ♪ **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

C: **O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called an ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

C: ♪ Amen.

The Introit: Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,
the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,
the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

The LORD will reign forever and ever.

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The Gloria Patri

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♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Kyrie

♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria in Excelsis

♪ Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King. God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Salutation & The Collect for the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

P: O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 65:17–25

¹⁷Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for

like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. ²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual: adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19–26 (ESV)

¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

[please rise and face the Pastor in the center of the nave, a sign of Christ's presence among His people]

Verse: 2 Timothy 1:10b

C: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: [Christ Jesus] abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

C: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:1-12 (ESV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” ⁸And they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn:

“Alleluia, Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven”

LSB Hymn 477



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an - cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic - tim For the world's sal - va - tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur - ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor - ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

The Sermon

Why do you seek the living among the dead?

[we stand]

The Offertory

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Receipt of Offerings

Pause to Ponder

Luke 24:6-7 – “He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” Jesus is risen. But is that Good News? What if He is mad at us for betraying Him, for running away at Gethsemane, for not believing He would rise? The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen; the Good News is that He is risen to bless us. There is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and sisters, and He means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen – He is risen indeed!

The Prayers of the Day

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, on this glorious day, fill Your people with a holy fear at the resurrection of Your Son, that we would tremble no longer before the grave but rejoice and live in the truth of Your power to save. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Be with our Synod president; our district president; and all our pastors. Keep them faithful to deliver to Your people the apostolic Gospel of Your Son's death, burial and resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us hold fast to the Word preached to us, that receiving it with joy we may take our stand in it and be saved by it. Hinder all who would sow doubt into our hearts, and grant us courage to confess its truth in our life and conversation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless our president and all who make and administer our laws. Frustrate the forces of evil, and do not let our leaders cooperate with them or further their goals. Guard our armed forces as they stand watch for us at home and abroad. Let them serve with honor and integrity. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on the sick and those in any need especially Jeanette, Curtis, Al, Allen, Carolyn, Wally, Lori, Jane, Rev. Al, Lee, Joyce, Wesley, Clara, and all those we name in our hearts. Let the dawning light of the new creation in Christ sustain them in faith. In accord with Your will, grant them renewed health — a foretaste of their eternal healing in Him. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give us joy in Your Son's great victory feast as He shares it with us from this altar. In the eating of His true body and the drinking of His precious blood in faith, overcome our sin by His forgiveness and swallow up our death in His life, that we may be glad and rejoice in His salvation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Comfort those who mourn with the truth of Christ's empty tomb, that in the midst of their grief they may abide in the hope of His resurrection. Uphold them in faith as they await the day when You will wipe every tear from all faces. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We join today in singing eternal alleluias with innumerable angels in festal gathering, with the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven and with the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and we bring these petitions before You, dear Father, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Preface and The Proper Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: ♪ It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord: But chiefly we are bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and hath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

The Sanctus

C: ♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory; Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

The Words of Institution

The Pax Domini & The Agnus Dei

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: ♪ Amen.

C: ♪ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Silent Prayer before Communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul at the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Distribution

Distribution Hymns

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

Hymn 200

“He’s Risen, He’s Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord”

Hymn 198

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

Hymn 201

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

Hymn 193

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”

Hymn 315

Silent Prayer after Communing:

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal

[please stand]

The Nunc Dimittis

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♪ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Thanksgiving

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C: ♪ **And His mercy endures forever.**

P: We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

The Benedicamus - The Benediction

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ **And with Thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you † and give you peace.

C: ♪ **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Closing Hymn:

“The Day of Resurrection”

Hymn 205

Postlude

Outreach Thought

Luke 24:1-12: When Mary Magdalene saw her risen Lord, she went with great excitement to tell the disciples that she had seen the Lord and related to them what Jesus had told her. We have seen our risen Lord by faith and tasted that He is good in Word and Sacrament. That sure faith inspires us to share with others the hope we have for eternity. Because Jesus lives, we live. And because Jesus lives, the person we tell can share that same life with us for eternity. What you’ve seen and tasted today compels you to share the Good News for life!

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study - Beginning this **Wednesday, April 20th**, the group will do a short 6-week, book study based on the book *How Happiness Happens* by Max Lucado. They will meet back on Wednesday evenings at 6:30PM in the church library. If you would like to join them, please contact Cyndy Zoch if you would like a book. Cost of the book is approximately \$15.

The Voters Assembly will meet again on Monday, April 25th, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Meeting packets are in voting members boxes this morning.

BBQ Chickens - The Holy Cross Couples Club will have their annual BBQ Chickens -to-go on Mothers Day, May 8th, at the Holy Cross Picnic Grounds. Whole chickens are \$12.00 and sauce is \$2.50. Pick-up will be from 10:30 to 12:00. A sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the Narthex. You may also place your order by calling Danny & Judy Jurk at 242-3484, J.C. & Carol Schramm at 242-3232, Dennis & Diann Pietsch at 542-1141, Calvin & Gale Mersiovsky at 968-5032, Robert & Joyce Hinze at 366-2398 or the church office at 242-3333. Advance orders only. ***Deadline to order is Monday, May 2nd.***

Sunday School - Volunteer Opportunity! We are looking for a few new volunteers who would be willing to step in as needed and teach our kiddos on Sunday mornings. This would not be every Sunday, but on an as-needed basis. For more information or to volunteer, contact Patty Schulze at (512) 914-5748 or the church office at (979) 242-3333.

The Warda Local Farm Bureau will meet on Thursday, April 21st, at 7:00 p.m. at the Holy Cross picnic grounds. Plans for the family night will be discussed. Members may bring snacks to share. Drinks will be available.

Grace Lutheran LWML in Smithville invites all ladies to join them for their spring rally on Sunday, April 24th at 2:00 p.m. The theme for the day is Great is Thy Faithfulness with guest speaker, Frances Molitor. A light meal will be served after the rally. All are invited to come and enjoy the afternoon.

Texas Wendish Heritage Society Scholarship Program. The Texas Wendish Heritage Society (TWHS) appreciates support given to our scholarship program. All Texas Wendish Heritage Scholarship funds are received through fundraising projects and donations. The TWHS scholarship program is available to students of Wendish descent and encourages students to learn more about their Wendish heritage.

Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited college, university or trade school for Fall 2022 semester. 2022-2023 scholarship applications will be available beginning April 19th online at texaswendish.org and on the Texas Wendish Facebook Page. The entire process is online and must be submitted digitally by the deadline; 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 15th, 2022. For more information contact the Texas Wendish Heritage Museum at 979-366-2441 or museum@texaswendish.net. In 2021, a total of \$15,000 was awarded in scholarships to thirteen students. **Thanks for your support!**

FAITH LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Staff Positions Available

Faith Lutheran High School will have part time openings on its faculty for the 2022-2023 academic year! Interested individuals who teach any subject area are encouraged to apply, but science, social studies, English, or electives are sought after skills. Applicants may submit resumes to Faith Lutheran High School, PO Box 138, Warda, TX 78960, call (979) 242-2889, or email them to kueckn@flhstx.org. If you have the time and talents, please consider applying and sharing your gifts with our students. Thank you!

New Student Registration

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is underway. We would love to welcome you into our Falcon family as well. Call us at (979) 242-2889 to schedule a shadow day or visit our website at www.flhstx.org for registration information.

Youth Camps

Summer camps are back! We are excited to offer a variety of camps for youth this summer. Ages are for grades NEXT school year.

June 1 - Frog Dissection - Grade 6 to 8 - \$15

June 6-8 - Volleyball - Grade 3 to 8 - \$15

June 13-15 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$15

June 20-22 - STEM Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$ 30

June 27-29 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$30

Aug 1-2 - Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$15

Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information! Don't wait --- Sign up today!! Space is limited!

Thank you to all who provided the beautiful Easter Flowers this morning.

Flowers may be picked up after the 9 a.m. Festival Service.

Lilies

In memory of Roy and Ruth Lehmann by Roland and Betsy Guettler

In memory of Buddy Whited, Harold & Irene Kasper, and Ralph Kasper by Margie Whited

In memory of Otto and Alice Kunze and Glenn Kunze by Allen Kunze, Charles Kunze, and Mark and Karen Gerdes

In memory of Myrtle "Myrt" Vanek, Monroe and Gertrude Mersiovsky, and Anita Vanek by their families

In memory of Lawrence, Edline, Kathleen and Joyce Weishuhn by David, Ingrid, Brandon and Kelsey Weishuhn

In memory of Brenda, Rosie, and Bernice Heinrich by Lawrince Heinrich

In memory of Evelyn Buscha, Barbara Buscha, and Steven Reedy by Bobby Buscha, Sr. and family

In memory of Gus Sr. and Hildegard Schramm and Walter Kieschnik and in honor of Thelma Kieschnik by J.C. and Carol Schramm

In memory of Gerald Sledge by the Gerald Sledge family

In memory of Elmo and Helen Pietsch, Daniel Pietsch, Adele Schulze, and Kenneth Wiederhold by Dennis and Diann Pietsch

In memory of Larry Joe and Mary Jane Briscoe and in honor of Harry and Patricia Lehmann by Tucker, Leann, Alyssa and Jolee Briscoe

In memory of George and Eunice Dunk by Daryl and Patty Schulze

In memory of Donald and Hazel Tabbert by Mike, Dustin, Camden, Jamey, Brianna and Karleigh Tabbert, Lori and Spencer Ingram

In memory of Jimmie Lehmann by his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren

In memory of Billy and JoAnn Lange by Kevin and Sandra Lange, Alexa and Raina

In memory of loved ones gone before me by Mary Ann Rucker

To the glory of God by Gary, Diane and Sophie Becker

To the glory of God and in honor of our church family and in appreciation for their love, support, and prayers by J.C. and Carol Schramm

To the glory of God and in thankfulness for His many blessings by James and Nancy Teinert and RyLee Van Hale

Hydrangeas

In memory of August and Theresa Pietsch, Walter and Hattie Schramm, Clarence and Adeline Pietsch, Raymond and Lillian Zingelmann by June and Nancy Pietsch



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR TODAY

Jeanette Schramm, in St. David's South

Curtis Moerbe, in St. David's South, recovering from multiple surgeries

Al Jurk, scheduled for neck surgery on April 19th

Allen Wolf, scheduled for surgery on April 18th

Carolyn Bamsch, doing well following back surgery

Wally Lehmann, back at home

Lori Green, recovering from a heart ablation

Jane Chapman, recovering from shoulder surgery

Rev. Al Gallmeier, recovering from surgery on April 11th

Lee Heselmeyer, recovering from eye procedure on April 11th

Joyce Bise, sister of Jerrell Dunk, now in Oakland Manor under hospice care

Wesley Cervenka, brother of Debbie Knox, undergoing cancer treatments

Clara Damerow, friend of Linda Lehmann, in rehab following a fall and broken hip

All those on our continued prayer list and those we know fighting cancer and other illness

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

April 17, 2022 - Easter Festival Service

Rev. Dustin Beck	Pastor
Mrs. Carol Schramm	Organist
Mr. John Gay	Lector
Mrs. Lisa Gay	Greeter
Mr. Mike Tabbert	Audio/Video System
Jonathan Kueck, Dennis Pietsch, J.C. Schramm	Elders on Duty
Vernon Smith, IV	Acolyte

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

TODAY	6:30 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service
	7:30 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	9:00 a.m.	Festival Service w/Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	FLHS Chapel
	5:30 p.m.	Jr. Confirmation
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Sewing Circle
	6:30 p.m.	Warda Farm Bureau
Next Sunday		<i>1st Sunday of Easter</i>
	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service
	10:15 a.m.	Bible Class & Sunday School
	2:00 p.m.	LWML Post Oak Zone Rally in Smithville

Attendance Last Sunday

Divine Service: 129 Bible Class: 38 Sunday School: 11

Our Response to God's Blessings

	<u>April 3</u>	<u>April 10</u>
Estimated General Fund Weekly Need	\$ 4,610	\$ 4,610
Offering Received	\$ 6,355	\$ 2,502
Short/Over	\$ 1,745	\$ (2,108)
Offerings received through e-giving April 1-14: \$525.21		