

# Sunday, April 24, 2022 Second Sunday of Easter

#### **Announcements**

#### Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism,

we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation.

For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life,

flowing freely from your throne:

through the earth, through the city,

through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;

You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.

Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,

and our sin is drowned forever.

You open the gate of righteousness

and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.

You nourish us and enclose us in safety.

You call us forth and send us out.

In lush and barren places, you are with us.

You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water

and awaken your church once more.

Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.

Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End,

our Shepherd and Lamb,

be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,

now and forever. Amen.

EASTER

#### Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! 385

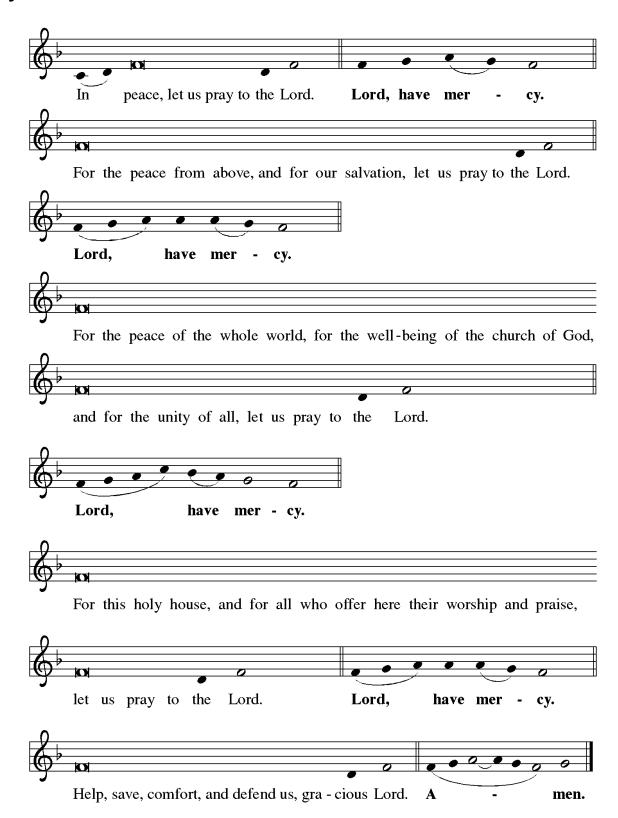


#### Greeting

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, the love of Christ that guards our hearts and minds, and the joy and consolation of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### And also with you.

#### **Kyrie**



#### **Glory To God**



#### **Prayer of the Day**

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body 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.

#### First Reading: Acts 5:27-32

<sup>27</sup>When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 118:14-29

- <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.
- <sup>25</sup>Hosanna! O Lord, save us!

#### We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!

- <sup>26</sup>Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.
- <sup>27</sup>The LORD is God and has given us light.

Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.

- <sup>28</sup>You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.
- <sup>29</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

#### Second Reading: Revelation 1:4-8

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

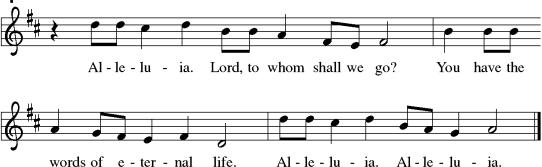
So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



**Gospel: John 20:19-31** 

The holy gospel according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Children's Message

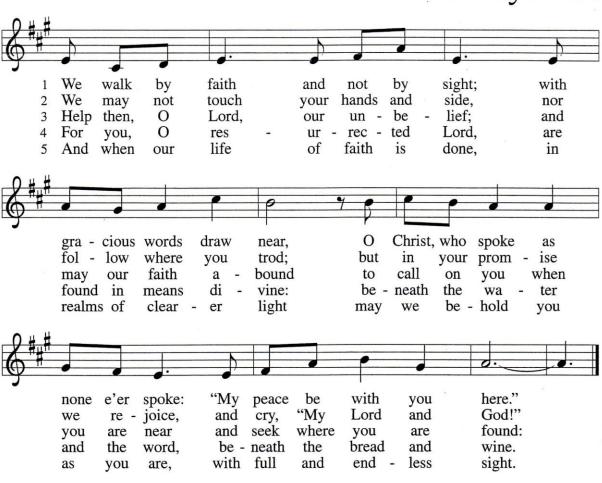
Sermon

Hymn of the Day: We Walk by Faith

No. 635



### We Walk by Faith



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#### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
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 was 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 to the living and dead.

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. Amen.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Holy One who acts righteously, equip your church as witnesses of your goodness to go and tell others of your abundant love, that they may believe that Jesus is our salvation and life. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Renew your people's commitment to use resources responsibly and to live well with your creation. Invite us to recognize and nurture signs of resurrection life in the natural world. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Direct those who are given human authority to lead with humility and compassion. By your Holy Spirit channel their attention toward serving those who are most in need. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Uphold your children who cry out to you (*especially*). Wherever people are overcome by the fear of death, breathe into them your life and peace. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Inspire those who lead your people in worship and praise (*especially the art and music ministries of this congregation*). With joyful motion and sound, send us forth with praise that we cannot keep to ourselves. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Give us the words of your saints who, like Thomas, boldly confessed your Son as Lord and God. With Jesus our leader, empower us to live according to his ways. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen** 

#### The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

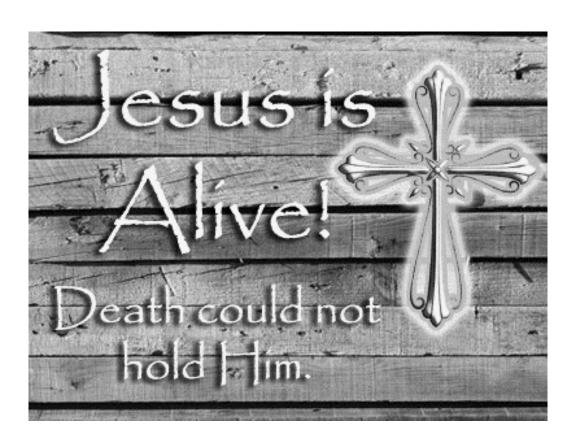
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and forever. Amen.

#### **Blessing**

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, → bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn: Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



No. 389

#### 389

# Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



#### **Dismissal**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

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#### AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

At 8:00...

Interim Pastor: Pastor Cathy Schibler

Lectors: Guy Miller Usher: Rex Stierhoff

At 10:30...

Interim Pastor: Pastor Cathy Schibler

Lectors: Jim Bertsch Usher: Bill Bertsch

April Altar Care: Pat Wiedenheft

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God by James Bertsch in celebration of his mother, Alice Bertsch's birthday.

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

For all directly or indirectly effected by the Ukraine Crisis; FAITH members, including; Brian & MaryAnn Hickman; Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the staff of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America;

the ministry of Care and Share of Erie County in providing food and other assistance to those in need.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

April 14: 35 April 15: 41

April 17: 92 + 42 = 134

**DONATIONS TO OUR "PENNY JUG"** support the global relief and habilitation efforts of ELCA World Hunger, a mission of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

**THIS MORNING'S LOOSE CASH OFFERING** (money not in an envelope or given without other designation) benefits our Current Expenses Fund. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.



# WE NEED A VOLUNTEER OR TWO TO ATTEND THE 2022 SYNOD ASSEMBLY AT BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY ON JUNE 3 AND

**4.** Trinity will pay for the registration fee and hotel. This has been attended the past couple of years by Dave and Cathy Wobser so if you have questions on it you can talk to them. We need to register

NOW so please let the office or Pastor Cathy know if you would like to help Trinity with this mission.

#### **This Week at Trinity**

TODAY	Worship Services Sunday School	8:00 am & 10:30 am 9:00 am
MONDAY	Carol on Vacation	Office Closed
WEDNESDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	7:00 pm
SATURDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	11:00 am
SUNDAY	Communion Services Sunday School	8:00 am & 10:30 am 9:00 am





# **AUDITIONS**

# THURSDAY, MAY 5 · 7 PM



## **AUDITIONEES SHOULD REGISTER IN ADVANCE:**

email jody@firelandssymphony.com or call 419.621.4800.

#### **Huron United Methodist Church**

338 Williams St Huron, OH 44839

- Please prepare a vocal selection that best demonstrates your musical abilities.
- Singers will also go through exercises for sight reading & vocal range.

#### **ABOUT THE FSO CHORALE**

The Symphony Chorale conducted by Michael Shirtz, is an auditioned choir of singers that serves as chorus-in-residence for the Firelands Symphony Orchestra (FSO) and School of Music. Performing classical and contemporary music, the Symphony Chorale provides singers the opportunity for concentrated study, rehearsal, and performance of repertoire as well as educational programs for singers and choir directors to support regional choral ensembles and singing opportunities.

If you are unable to attend this audition, please contact us and we will try to accommodate.



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Thursday, April 28, 2022 • Concert at 7:30 pm

**Zion Lutheran Church** 503 Columbus Avenue • Sandusky

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Sunday, May 1, 2022 • Concert at 3:00 p.m.

Sandusky High School Auditorium 2130 Hayes Avenue • Sandusky



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# Firelands Chorus, Inc.

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Directed by Jeffrey Kearney ★ Accompanied by Morgan Noon

Friday, May 13th & Saturday, May 14th, 2022 7:30 p.m. ★ Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

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