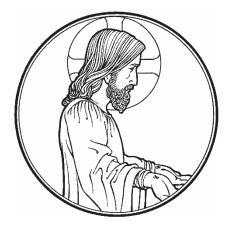
Quasimodo Geniti The Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024



Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

(1 John 5:5 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

The Lord's Supper is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, who are not members in good standing at an LCMS congregation, or who receive the Lord's Supper at a church not in fellowship with the LCMS, are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

The Wounds of Christ Give Us Life

"For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood" (1 John 5:7). These three point to Christ and flow from Christ. Jesus shows His disciples His hands and side, from which blood and water flowed, saying "Peace be with you." He presents the wounds which turn our fear to gladness and which restore us to the Father. Jesus breathes on His disciples and says, "Receive the Holy Spirit" (John 20:23). His breath, His words are Spirit and life. They raise up our dry, dead bones and give us new and everlasting life (Ezek. 37:1-14). Christ now gives His ministers to speak His forgiving, Spirit-filled words to the penitent in His stead. Our Lord continues to come to His people, presenting His wounds to us in the Sacraments of water and blood. He bids us to touch His side at His table, to receive His risen body and blood in true faith, that believing we may have life in His name.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

Mission Offering today!

More times are available for pastoral home visits. Please use the link to SignUp Genius. The link has also been emailed. These visits will be about 45 minutes in length and are intended to facilitate an opportunity to talk about church and Sunday School attendance, family devotions, and Bible study. If you would like more time to discuss anything I will be happy to schedule another visit just for that. May God richly bless these visits that our fellowship in Christ may be strengthened. I look forward to visiting each of your homes. – Pastor Ulmer, **Every Household Visits Sign Up**

The annual Women of Wylie (WoW) Rummage Sale is planned for April 19 and 20, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. both days. Mark your calendars now! It is a good time to clean out your closets and donate items to the Sale. Proceeds will go to WoW local and world mission projects and the Youth Fund. (Youth and their parents are encouraged to help with the Sale even for a couple of hours!)

High School Choir and Handbell Concert: The Faith Lutheran High School Choir and Handbell Ensemble will present a concert on Thursday, April 11 at 6:00 pm in the church sanctuary at Faith, Plano. This home concert precedes the group's 2024 spring tour, which will take place the following week. All are welcome...please join us!

Please be sure your family signs up to help with the regular cleaning of the Lord's house. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Many hands make light work!

Lutheran Worship Series: The Kyrie, Sanctus, Pax Domini, Agnus Dei, Nunc Dimittis... Why do Lutherans worship the way they do? Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, recently completed a Classical Christian Worship series with Dr. Arthur Just, author of Heaven on Earth: The Gifts of Christ in the Divine Service. You can listen to this six-part series at **https://issuesetc.org/classicalworship/**.

OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

John 20:19 – "Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" The peace we have in Jesus is what makes a life of good works possible. Since we know that it is Jesus who saved us, and not our works, we are now free to do good works not out of self-interest, but for the right reasons: out of thanksgiving toward God and love for our neighbors.

UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS

| SUNDAY | Quasimodo Geniti - Second Sunday of Easter |
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| 4/7/24 | 9:30 AM – Divine Service |
| | 10:15 AM – Sunday School and Bible Class |
| TUESDAY | 9:30 AM – Women's Bible Study |
| WEDNESDAY | 9:30 AM – Divine Service |
| THURSDAY | 7:00 AM – Church Council |
| Friday | 9:30 AM – Matins |
| | 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution |
| SUNDAY | Misericordias Domini - Third Sunday of Easter |
| 4/14/24 | 9:30 AM – Divine Service |
| | 10:15 AM – Sunday School and Bible Class |

PRAYERS

- All those serving as missionaries around the world, especially Pastor Wildauer and Pastor Steele and their families.
- Kay, a long-time neighbor of the Traugott's who is recovering from a fall that resulted in a shattered ankle, for healing as she faces more surgery and rehabilitation.
- Jim Graff who is beginning the process for his stem cell replacement.

- Leah Savage and Rebekah Burns for protection of mother and child in pregnancy. (Psalm 139:13).
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Alissa Ulmer, Dony Reaves, Mary Hart, Devon Jackson, Doug Drawe, Mark Traugott, Christina Null, Aimee and her parents, Antonia and Frank, Jeff Ellis.

| Assisting in the Divine Service Today: | | |
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| Elder – James Rose | | |
| Altar: Patti Ellis | | |
| Pastor Ulmer – Bible Class | | |
| Amanda Curry – Sunday School Superintendent | | |
| 3/31/24 General Fund Offerings received: \$3,553.50 | | |
| Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$50 | | |
| Weekly budget needed: \$4,478; Year to date surplus \$2,264 | | |