



First English Lutheran Church

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April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter

ELW SETTING TWO

9:00 am

PREPARATION

Prelude

Bells

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **C: Amen.**

P: Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P: Immersed in the promises of baptism...Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: At the river your beloved Son...Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Gathering Hymn

'Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen'

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Greeting

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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.**

Hymn of Praise

'This is the Feast'

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Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, **C: with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

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Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2

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Children's Message

Reverend Melissa Gall

Special Music

'Peace'

Senior Choir

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

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Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia.

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Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

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P: The Holy Gospel according to...**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Reverend Melissa Gall

Nicene Creed

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C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain' v. 1, 2, 5 #363

1. Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness! God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness, loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters; led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

2. 'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst his prison, and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen. All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying from the Light to whom we give laud and praise undying.

5. Alleluia! now we cry to our Lord immortal, who triumphant burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal; Alleluia! with the Son God the Father praising; Alleluia! yet again to the Spirit raising.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: Johann Horn, 1490–1547.

Offertory Prayer

C: Amen.

Prayers for the People of God

P: God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving (spoken)

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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.

'Holy, Holy, Holy'

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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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.

Invitation to Communion

Distribution Hymn:

'Lamb of God'

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Distribution Hymn

'What Feast of Love'

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Distribution Hymn:

'I Receive the Living God'

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Refrain: I received the living God, and my heart is full of joy. I received the living God, and my heart is full of joy.

1 Jesus said: I am the bread, kneaded long to give you life; you who will partake of me need not ever fear to die. Refrain

2 Jesus said: I am the way, and my Father longs for you; so I come to bring you home to be one with us anew. Refrain

3 Jesus said: I am the truth; come and follow close to me. You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free. Refrain

4 Jesus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow, but receive this living bread, and my Spirit you shall know. Refrain

Text & Music Anonymous

Eucharistic Blessing

Post Communion Prayer **C: Amen**

SENDING

Blessing

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Closing Hymn

'Sent Forth By God's Blessing'

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Bells

Postlude

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Psalm 139:14. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

In other words, "created to be..."

Thanks to Reverend Melissa Gall for leading us today in worship.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored by your gifts to the Endowment Fund. [Radio broadcast cards are available on the information kiosk in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for March: \$17,701.27.



Here is what we received: \$18,654.80. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the offering cards or bulletins.



We won't have service at Fairway View today. We will not have a Bible Study at 4 pm on Tuesday either. We are hoping to be able to have church service on Sunday the 14th.

Volunteers needed for Just for the Love of It community dinner on April 10th, 5-6:30 pm. Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the narthex for bars, set up, & servers. Thank you!

Coffee Fellowship needs volunteers to continue. Please contact the office or sign-up in the fellowship hall if you're willing to help to prepare & serve coffee. If no one volunteers to serve, we won't have coffee fellowship that Sunday.



Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tuesday, April 16th at 5:30 pm at Big Stone Tabor Methodist Church. Speaker will be Kimberly Dyborg of International Falls, MN - "Giving God Your Yes." Special feature will be Marlee Hunt with "History of yoga and exercises." Special music will be violin music provided by Meg Scholberg. The cost is \$6.00, and you can register with Carol Rabe at 605-862-8570 or just be a walk-in. Free nursery by reservation.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT Carol Barrett; Keith Giese; Marcus Hanson, Arlen LaCombe; Gail Olson; Harris Selvig; Beth Swanson; Brandi Tweeter; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman; Rosie Frank; Larry Helgeson; Natalie Henneberg; McCoy Jipson; Janice Redfield; David Scholberg; and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Janet Anderson; Ricky Anderson; Arvilla Bergseth; Adeline Burgess; Ruth Hansen; Jim Hipple; Vivian Janssen; & Roger Nornes. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict, especially Alexander Johnson (Ev Johnson's grandson). If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.



DAY OF LOVE MN TWINS QUILT

If you would like a chance to win a Minnesota Twins Quilt from the Day of Love quilters, you can help by donating to support their ongoing work.

You can make a donation and put your name in the receptacle located in the church narthex. The drawing will be held on April 30th. Your donation will help with the ongoing expenses that are incurred doing mission projects. We thank each of you for your support.

In 2023 the ladies completed approximately 196 quilts for the following:

Quilts/Hospital –	Dignity Quilts for Nursing Home
Baby & Swing Bed	
Mission Quilts	Someplace Safe
Green Lake Auction	Veteran Quilts - Montevideo Veterans Home
Graduation Quilts	Christmas Quilts - residents at Nursing Home
Baptism Quilts	Project Christmas
Cancer Quilts	Misc quilts made for others in need
Quilts donated to	Deployed National Guards
Ukraine (Mark Lindquist)	Big Stone Co Cancer Group/Auction

Not only did they complete the above listing of quilts, approximately 1,054 cards were created and sent.

Make a donation and you *could* be the winner!!! We appreciate you!!!



REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, www.firstenglish.net & our bulletin boards. The church office number is (320) 839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—April 7th

Organist: Amy Adelman

Acolytes: Jaclyn & Liv

Greeters: John & Lila Salls

Lector: Kim Anderson

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson

Coffee Servers: David & Debbie Ellingson and Holly Kannas

Ushers: Brent Zahrbock, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson, & David Ellingson

Lay Assistants: Amanda Stattelmann & Brent Zahrbock

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—April 14th

Organist: Kathy Haukos

Acolytes: Cameron & Nash

Greeters: Chase Lovgren & Andy Strei

Lector: Kristi Ehrenberg

Tech Desk: David Ellingson & Marina Thomson

FWV: Sara & Ann Mattison

Coffee Servers: NEED VOLUNTEERS

Ushers: Eldon Knutson, Darin Ehrenberg, Harley & Ellie Helgeson

Lay Assistants: Marge Dragseth & Marilyn Chindvall

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 4/7 9:00 am Worship (w/ Reverend Melissa Gall) – Communion –
Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship, Sunday School,
Board of Christian Education Meeting &
Endowment Committee Meeting

Mon – 4/8 7:00 pm Council Meeting

Tues – 4/9 8:30 am Day of Love

NO BIBLE STUDY AT FAIRWAY VIEW

Wed – 4/10 EARLY OUT – No Youth Group or Confirmation

9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast

5:00 pm Just For the Love of It Dinner

5:30 pm Channel 3 broadcast

7:00 pm Senior Choir



Thurs – 4/11

4:30-5:30 pm FELC & Zion Meeting (at FELC)

Fri – 4/12 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 4/14

9:00 am Worship (w/Hans Sacrison) – Communion – Sunday
School singing – Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School

10:30 am (tentatively) Fairway View Service (Pre-recorded)