

Easter Flowers

The flowers you provided for Easter Sunday have been cleared out of the chancel. If you have not yet picked up your plants, they are in the back parking lot along the building.

LWMS Spring Rally

April 24, 9:00 am

The Spring Rally of our SW MI chapter of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society will be held virtually this coming Saturday at vimeo.com/stpaulsstevensville.

Confirmation Sunday

May 2, 10:00 am

COS 8th graders will be confirmed in the 10:00 am service in two weeks. The service will be dedicated entirely to the Rite of Confirmation. The confirmands will each explain the Bible passages they selected and then together make confession of their Lutheran faith.

Our hope is to hold this special worship service outdoors so that our usual late service attendees and our confirmands' families and guests can spread out and safely worship together. If, however, the weather does not cooperate, we will move the service into the sanctuary and ask our non-confirmand households to attend a different service or to watch that day's livestream.

The 6:30 pm Thursday and 8:30 am Sunday services that weekend will not have a Confirmation focus. They will instead worship in the sanctuary in our usual way, focusing on the Scriptures for the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

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this week @ COS

Sunday, April 18

8:30 am Worship
10:00 am Worship

Monday, April 19

7:30 am Men's Bible Study
9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:15 am Preschool 3s
6:30 pm Building Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 20

9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:15 am Preschool 3s

Wednesday, April 21

9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:15 am Preschool 3s
2-6 pm Private Communion
Appointments
6:00 pm 8th Grade Catechism with
Board of Elders

Thursday, April 22

9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:15 am Preschool 3s
6:30 pm Worship

Friday, April 23

9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:30 am Toddler Time

Saturday, April 24

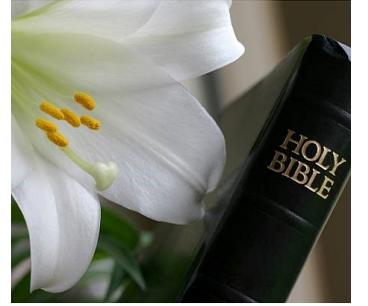
9:00 am LWMS Spring Rally

Sunday, April 25

8:30 am Worship
10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Quarterly Meeting
4:00 pm Seeger / Cordes Wedding

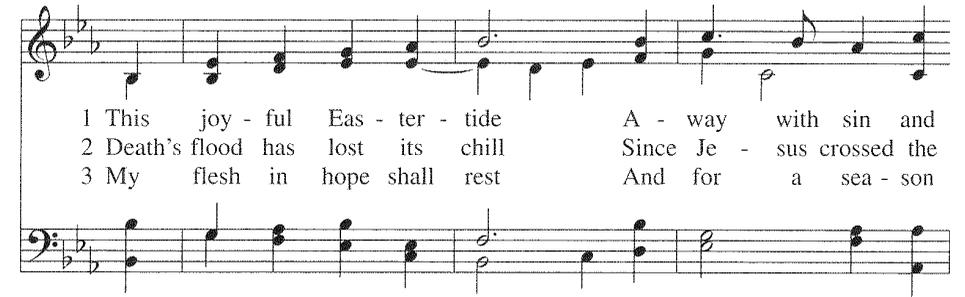
Easter | Third Sunday

8:30 am & 10:00 am April 18, 2021

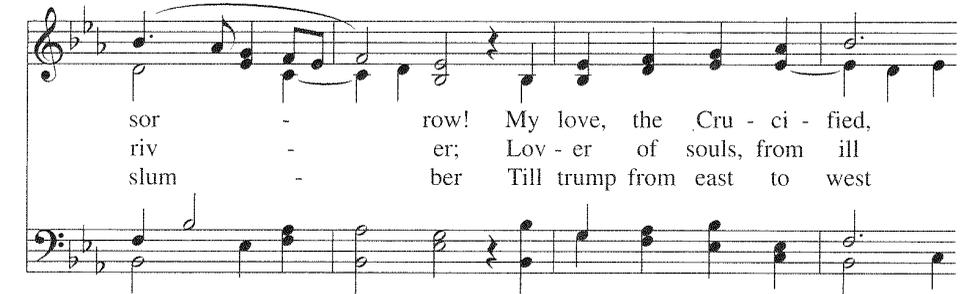


Welcome

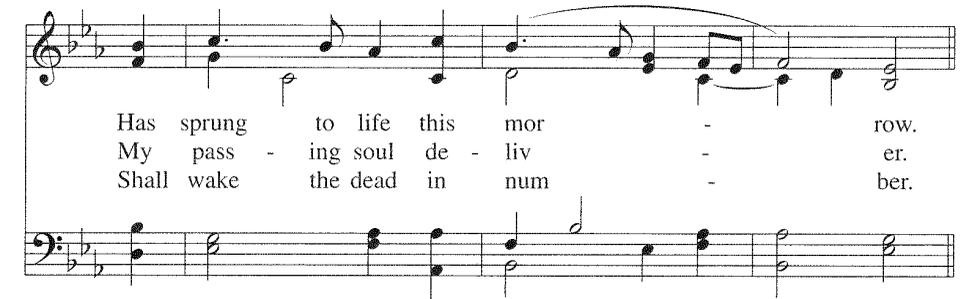
Hymn *This Joyful Eastertide*



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son



sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill
slum - ber Till trump from east to west



Has sprung to life this mor - row.
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er.
Shall wake the dead in num - ber.

Hearing Assistance

The sanctuary is equipped with Williams Hearing Assist technology. Personal receivers are at the AV console in the rear of the sanctuary.

Give

Give+Online is a safe and popular way to automate your giving. Access via cosrock.org/donate or "COS Rock" app.

Cry Room

There is no staffed nursery this morning. Parents are invited to use the narthex as a cry room. Children's Bulletins are available at the Welcome Center.

Refrain



Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst his three-day
pris - on, Our faith had been in vain: But
now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; But now is Christ a - ris - en.

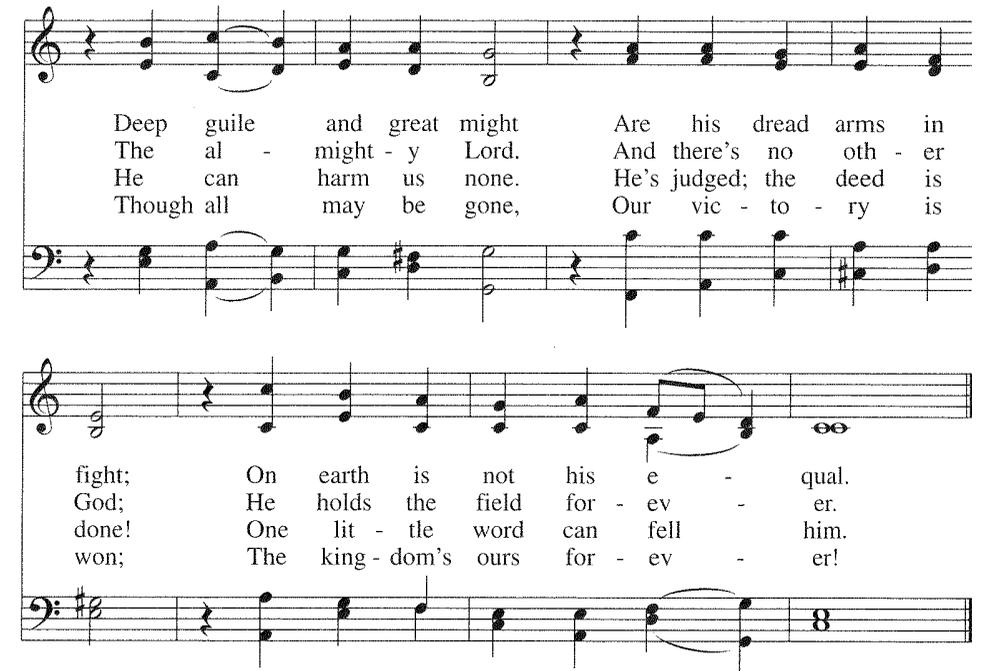
Invocation

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Confession

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.



Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in
The al - mighty Lord. And there's no oth - er
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is
Though all may be gone, Our vic - to - ry is
fight; On earth is not his e - qual.
God; He holds the field for - ev - er.
done! One lit - tle word can fell him.
won; The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Expansion Project Update

The church council will be recommending to the April 25 quarterly meeting that we try to begin construction in August. In the meantime it has authorized the building committee to resume working with the architects, builders, township, etc in order to finalize a construction cost. Simultaneously the congregation will be re-arranging financing as the commitment we received last year from the WELS Church Extension Fund has expired. COS households can expect to receive a mailing with more details this coming week.

Quarterly Meeting

Sunday, April 25, 11:00 am

Next Sunday we will hold a quarterly meeting after the late service. In addition to the usual business of a quarterly meeting, the building project will be on the agenda (see above).

Vacation Bible School

July 29-29, 9:30 am-12:00 pm

We are planning for the triumphant return of Vacation Bible School this year! We will host "Rocky Railways" for students entering K or DK through students entering 5th grade. An online participant sign-up will come out closer to the date, but for now we need adult and teen members willing to be part of our crew! Please contact Amy Sullivan or Pastor Hahm if you would like to help God's children find their ROCK during these rocky times!

Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A trust - y
 2 With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill, All ea - ger
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main, Nor an - y

shield and weap - on; He helps us free from ev - 'ry
 loss ef - fect - ed. But for us fights the val - iant
 to de - vour us, We trem - ble not, we fear no
 thanks have for it; He's by our side up - on the

need That has us now o'er - tak - en. The
 one Whom God him - self e - lect - ed. You
 ill; They shall not o - ver - pow'r us. This
 plain With his good gifts and Spir - it. And

old e - vil foe Now means dead - ly woe;
 ask, "Who is this?" Je - sus Christ it is,
 world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
 do what they will — Hate, steal, hurt, or kill —

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
 For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
 For sins of habit and sins of choice,
 For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
 You should cast me away from your presence forever.
 O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

Absolution

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sing again the opening hymn refrain on page 2

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people courage and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson Acts 4:8-12

Second Lesson 1 John 1:1-2:2

C: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Luke 24:36-49

Children's Message

Hymn *Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia*



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.
4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave.
5 Christ has a - ris - en; he sets us free.



Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go.
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done.
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest his might did show.
On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.



Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Sermon

Confession of Faith: Apostles Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

**M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.**

C: Amen.