

*Prayer after Communion

Pastor: Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **C: Amen.**

*Blessing

Pastor: Alleluia!. Christ is Risen! **C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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

*Recessional Hymn: **Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

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*Dismissal

Pastor: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Ida Kerch	Dave Lamar	Walter Maul	Elzy Pauley	Carolyn Pinos
Ava Stancovich	Kay Pohopin	Emma Rosman	Carson Berkheimer	
Pastor Bob Kaltenbaugh				

Prayers are asked for the Emily (Kleman) Knopp family and Dave and Kathy Kleman 's family due to the death of Emily's husband, Matt Knopp.

This morning we welcome Bishop Paula Schmitt to lead us in worship.

If anyone is in need of Pastoral care, please call the Allegheny Synod Office to make arrangements at (814) 942-1042.

April 1—Council Meeting at 6:30 pm.

If you are in need of your 2023 contribution statement, please contact Dan Kerch at (814 341-5321)

We still need 2 volunteers to attend the Synod Assembly in Altoona which will be held on June 17th this year. If interested, please see any council member.

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Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

First Lutheran Church (814) 736-3662
Worship Sundays at 9:00 am



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Communion Hospitality

Lutheran Christians believe Christ is truly present in his supper. By faith we receive his Body and Blood "in, with, and under" the forms: of bread and wine for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. All baptized Christians who desire to receive Jesus in his sacrament, are welcome to commune.

Altar flowers are in honor of Kay Pohopin's 90th birthday by Rock and Kim and family. Sanctuary candle is in honor of Kay Pohopin's 90th birthday by her family.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Setting I

Parish Announcements

Prelude

= Stand

(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

*Announcements:

Pastor: Christ is Risen! **C:** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **C:** Amen.

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

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

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

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C:** Amen.

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

*LIGHTING OF THE PASCAL CANDLE

Pastor: May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Pastor: The light of Christ. **C:** Thanks be to God.

Entrance Hymn:

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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Pastor: 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.

***Kyrie**

***Hymn of Praise**

This is the Feast of Victory For Our God!

*** Prayer of the Day:** **Pastor:** The Lord be with you. **C:** And also with you.

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

L: The word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

(Read responsively)

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

L: The word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

***The Verse**

***Holy Gospel:** Mark 16:1-8

C: Glory to you O Lord.

C: Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

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*Nicene Creed

*A new Chalice and Ciborium are being dedicated in the honor of Kay Pohopin's 90th birthday by her family.

*Prayers of the Church

Pastor: In your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

***Passing of Peace** **Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C:** And also with you.

The minister and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord, and then be seated.

Offering

The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.

*Offertory

"Let the Vineyards"

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*Offertory Prayer

Pastor: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **C:** Amen.

Liturgy of Holy Communion

*Great Thanksgiving and Sanctus

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*Eucharistic Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

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***Invitation to Communion:** **Pastor:** The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

*Agnus Dei

"Lamb of God"

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*As the ministers give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:
'The body of Christ, given for you.' & 'The blood of Christ, shed for you.'
After each, the communicant may say: 'Amen.'*

Distribution

Communion Hymn:

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

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*Post Communion Blessing