



## *Welcome to Worship!*

*Second Sunday of Easter*

*April 27, 2025*

*10:00 a.m.*

*Worship Leader: Pastor Garman    Worship Accompanist: Lynn Wegner*

### Order of Worship

(ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship—red hymnal; WOV –With One Voice—blue hymnal)

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of † the One, who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.**

Baptized into you, O Living One, **c: make us one as you are one.** (*response for 3 prayers*)

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

*“We Walk By Faith”*

ELW 635

Greeting

**c: And also with you.**

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.**

Reading	Acts 5:27-32	
Gospel Acclamation	"Celtic Alleluia"	ELW 174
Gospel	John 20:19-31	
Sermon		
Hymn of the Day	"We Have Seen the Lord"	ELW 869
Apostles' Creed		
Prayers of Intercession	Hear us, O God. <b>Your mercy is great.</b>	
Peace		
Offertory Hymn	"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"	ELW 182
Offering Prayer	<b>c: Amen.</b>	
Prayer at the Table		

*And so we gather at the table. We come from many places, differing in age, differing in race, differing in orientation, politics and even religion.*

**As we come together around the table, we discover that our differences are not something we tolerate but that our differences are indeed a blessing, the more difference we bring, the more fully we experience the presence of the sacred in our midst.**

*So come, children of God, just as you are. Wherever you are on this journey of life, you are welcome here, here in this place, here in this community, here at this table. Come, children of God, come and remember with us. Amen.*

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer		ELW pg. 112
Invitation to Communion		
Communion Hymn	"The Trumpets Sound the Angels Sing "I Received the Living God"	ELW 531 ELW 477
Post Communion Blessing	<b>c: Amen.</b>	
Prayer after Communion	<b>c: Amen.</b>	
Blessing	<b>c: Amen.</b>	
Sending Song	"The Peace of the Lord"	ELW 646
Dismissal		

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

# Announcements

Birthdays this week: Rebecca Hauser, Ryan Olson, Cartyr Stumlin, Audrey Bringe, Lars Oines, Abigail Fredrickson, Lise Graham, Melissa Strauss, Tate Burnikel, Tina Mueller

Noisy Offering: Throughout April we'll be collecting money for HCLC outreach programs! Let's keep making some noise!

Confirmation: All grades 6-8 will meet Wednesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Sunday is May 4th at 10 AM!

Outreach Opportunity: **Life Planning Seminar in collaboration with Fredrickson Funeral Homes.** All are welcome to attend this short seminar to learn about the benefits of funeral pre-planning and enjoy a catered meal on Tuesday, May 6 from 5:00–6:30 p.m. at HCLC. **Please RSVP to Margaret at 608-397-8672.** Invite your friends and family, too.

Our Halfway Creek Versiti Blood Drive is scheduled for Friday, May 16 from 930 am—2 pm. Please sign-up online (link in E-news), on the clipboard in the gathering space or contact Shari in the office. A light meal of BBQ sandwiches, chips, cookie and water will be provided. All blood that Versiti collects stays in the Coulee Region!

Rummage Sale Holmen Lutheran: How can you support Lutheran World Relief while you spring clean your home and garage? Holmen Lutheran Church's May 10th Rummage Sale! Drop off your donations at Holmen Lutheran Sunday 5/4 (afternoon) - Friday 5/9 business hours (and Tuesday/Thursday until 7pm). Contact Sally Safranski 608-399-5383 or email sally.safranski@gmail.com. if you cannot deliver the items and we'll pick up your goodies. Also, shop on Saturday, 8-noon! Proceeds support LWR Quilts and Baby Care Kits.

Summer Worship Time: From June 1 through August 31 we'll worship on Sundays at 9 AM.

## In Our Prayers:

We pray for friends and family of those who have passed: Dewey Crocker, Ray Cook, Charles Severson, Madilyn Vang, Jeff Rose, Ron Hanson, Rod Sutherland, Curt Nedoba, Judy Campbell, Mike Nedoba, Raymond Lee, Marie Jezova

We pray for Mike and Pat Martin, Laurie Noelke, Brooklynn Cook, Megan Sacia Ulrich, Perry Voshage, Owen Gilbertson, Adisyn Rhyme, Kannon Happel, Marjorie Lee, Jean Latham, Bob Loper, Joan Vaughn, Bridget Ferk, Thelma Severson, Lisa Herrera Evans, Katie Wier, Phoebe Kitzke, Gayle Kuespert, Beulah Sanders, Cary Heyer, Eric Erdman, Dawson Reed, Jenny Lee, Mary Dokkebaken, Karla Johnson, Alice Fonfara, the Coats family.

## Welcome to Worship!

Thank you for being here today. We want you to feel at home when you are here at HCLC, so please remember:

### As you participate

Bolded words on the screen are for you to speak.

Even though the pastor indicates when to stand up or sit down, that is not mandatory. We do not judge when it's done differently. Move around as you need to and please worship as *your* body demands it.

### Offering

The offering is our way of showing that when we come to the table we bring ourselves as well as all we have been given by God to be blessed for service in God's world.

The offering plate is passed around during the offering song.

The cake pan is for our Noisy Offering. Each month we choose a cause to support.

Offerings can also be made through our website or by using this QR code. Thank you for the many ways you support HCLC and our mission.



## Holy Communion

**All are welcome** to the table today when communion is offered. It is not our table, but Jesus is the host. So, in this place **all** are welcome to Jesus' table.

**Pre-packaged communion kits**, regular and **gluten-free**, are available for communing in your seats or bringing them with you as you come forward.

**Communion in the front aisle** will be baked bread and both wine and juice (the wine is red, juice is clear).

### Kids

We welcome kids to participate fully in any part of the service! You may pass the offering plate or noisy offering, and we have activity bags as you enter church.

An **AED is available** in case of an emergency. It is located just outside the sanctuary doors.

***Please join us for coffee and fellowship each week after service. Guests and members please take a moment to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew. We want to know how we can best minister to you.***

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