

**SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA*

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**9:30 A.M. WORSHIP**

*... even though you  
do not see him now,  
you believe in him  
and rejoice with  
an indescribable  
and glorious*

*joy*

*1 Peter 1:8, NRSV*

**APRIL 19, 2020  
SECOND SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

## **All Are Welcome!**

Welcome to Easter at Shepherd of the Glades!

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Jeff to contact you, please let us know. The office phone number and Pastor Jeff's cell phone number are on the cover of the bulletin.



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*Second Sunday of Easter*

*April 19, 2020, 9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting I*

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

## PRELUDE

Megan Cianflone, Director of Music

## INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### + THANSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden. In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock.

When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

### + OPENING HYM "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!" ELW 385

### + GREETING

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.

### + PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

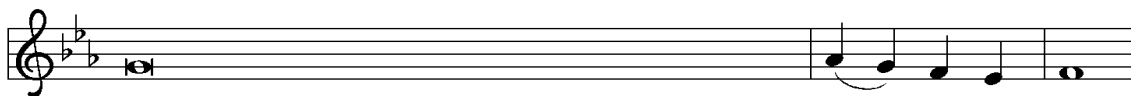
# Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



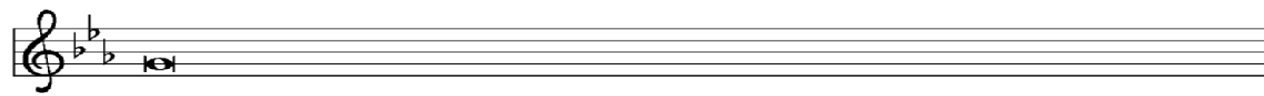
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

## FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a,22-32

<sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], <sup>22</sup>“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—<sup>23</sup>this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;

<sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover my flesh will live in hope.

<sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

<sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

<sup>29</sup>“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,  
‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

<sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 16 (*Sung responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

<sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the Godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,  
never take their names up on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD always before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;  
my body also shall | rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me | to the grave,  
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup>You will show me the | path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for-  
| evermore.

## SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the genuineness of your faith being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## **The Holy Gospel according to: John 20:19-31**

### **C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

## **SERMON**

Rev. Jeffrey T. Unga

Text: Lessons for the day

**+ HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“All Creation of Our God and King”*

**LBW 527**

A Let us proclaim our trust in the presence and power of God in our lives with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

+ **APOSTLES' CREED**

ELW 105

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

+ **THE PRAYERS**

A Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

A Open the doors we close, O God, when we fear those who worship you in different ways. Guide us to unity and harmony so that we may come to respect and cherish our commonalities. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer**

A Open the paths we ignore, O God, when we prioritize financial gain and convenience over listening to the groaning of the earth. Inspire all to care for the world you have made so that living things might thrive. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer**

A Open the rooms we lock, O God, to those who live without a homeland or place of safety. We pray that generous nations offer refuge and peace for all.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer**



A Open the hearts we close, O God, to the cries of those in pain. We pray for those isolated physically or emotionally through incarceration, addiction, mental illness, chronic suffering, grief, and all in need; especially, Tim, Frances, Carol, Karen, Ron, Pauline & Huseyin, Sue, Micah, and Jim. Lord, in your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer**

A Open the ways of love, O God, in the pursuit of peace throughout the world, and bless the efforts of missionaries, healthcare professionals, activists for women and children, and relief workers, especially those who find themselves in harm's way. Lord, in your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer**

A God of mercy, you are our resurrection. We give you thanks, oh God, for the celebration of birthdays and anniversaries within our faith community. Today we pray for Bobby Hicks, Donald Bassett, Gerald Campbell, Leslie Ann Beers, Mason Batson, Mason Clampa, and Cori Klocek as they celebrate their birthdays. We also pray for Stephanie and Daniel Bernabei as they celebrate their anniversary. Lord, in your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer**

A With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.  
C **Amen.**

+ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **And also with you.**

+ **OFFERTORY**

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW 107

A Let us pray.

C **Merciful God, our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again with your word and promises for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ.  
Amen.**

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C **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.**

P **COMMUNION OF SAINTS BLESSING**

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

P Life-giving God, you have fed us with your word, and our hearts burn within us. Now send us forth to share the gifts of Easter with all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

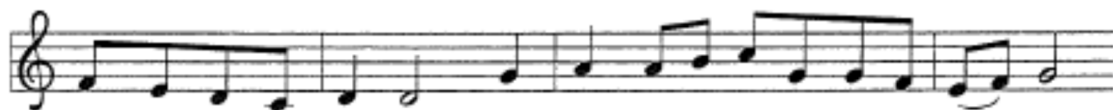
+ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

+ **THE BLESSING**

P May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

+ **SENDING HYMN**

*“How Firm a Foundation”*

**ELW 796**

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **HOSPITALIZATIONS**

**We have been informed that the local hospitals are no longer calling church offices to advise of the hospitalizations of parishioners. If you are hospitalized, please let the church office know so that we may keep you in our prayers and provide pastoral support.**

### **OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE**

**A member recently suggested, and Council approved, the establishment of a fund for the support of ELCA seminary students from SOTG. The fund is not a budget item but was established to receive contributions that individuals might like to make in support of students from SOTG who attend ELCA seminaries and colleges. There has been an initial contribution to this fund by a member and further contributions are welcomed. They should be designated for the Seminary Support Fund.**

**If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, Choice Dollars charitable grant funds can make a world of difference to Shepherd of the Glades. By directing Choice Dollars, eligible Thrivent members recommend where they feel Thrivent should distribute a portion of its charitable grant funds. Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply go to [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice) to learn more and fund program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt. To reach our local office, please call David Contessa at 239-300-5139.**

**THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:**

**The office will be closed until further notice.**

**Pastor Jeff is available in the office by appointment.**

**Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday, April 19, 2020, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Jeff Unga - Worship will be live on line with Facebook, or you can access on our website. See website for details -www.sotgweb.org**

**Third Sunday of Easter, April 26, 2020, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Unga - Worship will be live on line with Facebook, or you can access on our website. See website for details - www.sotgweb.o**

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