



SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Saturday Evening Worship

April 26, 2025

5:00 p.m.

The Second Sunday of Easter

Preservice Music

Welcome

(please rise in body or spirit)

Call to Worship

(from Psalm 150)

Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple;
praise God beneath the massive skies.

**Praise God for mighty acts;
praise God for exceeding greatness.**

Praise God with trumpet sound;
praise God with lyre and harp.

**Praise God with tambourine and dance;
praise God with strings and pipe.**

Praise God with resounding cymbals;
praise God with loud clanging cymbals.

**Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!**

Hymn *The Day of Resurrection!* ELW 361

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in
Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our
lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

Hymn

This Joyful Eastertide ELW 391

We give you thanks, O God. When we did not know the
way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.
At the cross, you washed 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 all
who thirst, and give us the life only you can give. Amen.**

(you may be seated)

Community Moment

Message

John 20:19-31

Pastor Ryan Mackey

Hymn

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight WOV 675

(please rise in body or spirit)

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of
heaven and earth, and 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,
and 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; 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.

The Prayers

Sharing of Peace

(you may be seated)

The Offering

(please rise in body or spirit)

Prayer of Blessing

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again,
breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world.

Amen.

The Table

“Why do you look for the living among the dead?” the angels said, “He is not here, for he is risen!” Jesus is no longer in the tomb.

Jesus is alive in the world and in our hearts!

He promised to return to us every time we gathered together around his table!

The risen Christ is truly present in bread and wine.

Words of Institution

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes again.

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Holy Spirit, come among us in this meal. Holy Spirit, embrace us with a love that we cannot comprehend. Holy Spirit, feed us and send us from your table ready to share the light of Christ everywhere we go!

The Lord’s Prayer

(you may be seated)

Communion Distribution

(please rise in body or spirit)

Blessing

Prayer

Benediction

Hymn *Now the Green Blade Rises* ELW 379

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

Thanks be to God!