

✧ Called to be Christ's Community of Truth and Mercy ✧  
 ✧ Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve ✧

## Welcome!

*"Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus."* Acts 3: 19-20



### Holy Communion

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's Word we follow the biblical practice of closed communion. **All guests are kindly asked to please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar.**

Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

## Prayers of the Church

**Circuit Congregation** Faith, Hastings Hospice + Maxine Weseman  
**Health Issues** + Shannon Jackson + Glen Krueger + Vicci Willmon + June Rose  
 + Kara Nissen + John Parsons + Dee Janssen **Missions** Wellspring Pregnancy  
 Health Center, David Preus Family, Heartland Lutheran,  
 Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson  
**Family Members** + Jenny Brogan + Gail Jacques + Keith Jackson  
 + Duane Hoegren

## In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah Gaunt  
 Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt  
 Altar Guild: March Kathy LeBeau, Tonda Wolfe  
 Elders: Dick LeBeau, Dustin Russell, Dale Bauman  
 Acolyte: Merrick Russell, Isaac Russell, Keegan Morgan

## Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.  
 A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

### The Lord's Week

Sunday	Mar. 31	9:00am	Easter Divine Service
Monday-Thursday		8:30am	Daily Prayer Service
Monday	Apr. 1	5p-7:30pm	Holiday - Office closed Bridging Forward
Tuesday	Apr. 2	9:30am	Bible Study
Wednesday	Apr. 3	5:00pm 5:30pm 6:15pm	Communion Meal Catechesis Service
Saturday	Apr. 6	9:00am	Mens' Prayer Group
Sunday	Apr. 7	9:00am 10:15am	Divine Service Sunday School, Bible Study

### Christ's Resurrection Means That We Will One Day Be Raised

"Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed" (1 Cor. 5:7). By the shed blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, eternal death has passed over us. Now we pass with Christ through death into life everlasting. For Christ the crucified One is risen! The stone has been rolled away from the tomb, revealing that the tomb could not hold Him (Mark 16:1-8). Now our Redeemer lives eternally to save us from sin and Satan and the grave, and we can live in the sure hope of our own bodily resurrection with Christ. "After my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God" (Job 19:26). Feasting on the living Christ, who is our meat and drink indeed, we boldly say: "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? . . . But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:54-55, 57).



Prelude & Ringing of Bells  
 Hymn #463

**Service of the Word**  
 Invocation  
 Introit *insert*  
 Kyrie p. 152  
 Hymn of Praise "This is the Feast"  
 Salutation and Collect  
 Old Testament Reading  
 Gradual  
 Epistle Reading  
 Alleluia Verse-Gospel Processional  
 Holy Gospel

Hymn of the Day #467

Sermon Mark 16:1-8

Nicene Creed  
 Prayer of the Church  
 Offering Choir Anthem  
 "Psalm for Easter"

Offertory p. 159

**Service of the Sacrament**  
 Preface & Proper Preface p. 160  
 Sanctus & Prayer of Thanksgiving  
 Lord's Prayer  
 The Words of Our Lord  
 Pax Domini & Agnus Dei  
 Distribution & Hymns  
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"Thank the Lord" & Collect p. 164  
 Benediction

Hymn #457

Announcements

*P: Go In Peace*  
**C: Thanks Be To God!**

Postlude

## News and Notes of Interest

**Divine Service:** Sunday, Divine Service 9 AM  
10:15 AM Sunday School, Bible Study, opening

**Week of Sunday, March 31st (Easter)**

Midweek April 3rd 5:30pm Meal  
6:15pm Catechesis Service—Holy Baptism

**Birthdays** 4/02 George Gaunt, Sharon Witt  
4/05 Frejya Hoins 4/06 Jessica Morgan **Baptismal**  
3/31 Drake LeBeau, Zoe LeBeau 4/01 Tonda Wolfe  
**Wedding Anniversary** 4/04 Rodney & June Rose

**Lifequote** “The disciples and the first century Christians may have felt like they were on the losing side. They had their doubts and fears. Maybe you do, too. They may have lost some earthly things. You may, too. But Jesus takes away the fear and the doubt. You have hope in His resurrection. You have hope even through the trials of life. You have a living hope in your living Lord.”

• [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

*Thanks to all who brought meals during Lent! Your Service fostered our fellowship!*

**L.W.M.L.** Monday, April 8th 10am-3pm Quilt tying  
4pm - Executive Board

Also we will be collecting for Layette for Orphan Grain Train in April, May, and June. Items needed: sleepers, onesies, receiving blankets, diaper pins, rubber or swimmer pants, blankets, cloth diapers, washcloths.

**L.W.M.L. April 15th**—Quarterly Meeting at Special Scoops Supper at 6 pm All Ladies Invited! Please call Diane or church office 402-462-9023 to attend.

All **young mothers** are invited “Make and Take Freezer Meal” event on Saturday, April 27, 2024, 9-11:30 a.m. in the kitchen of Peace Lutheran, 906 N. California Ave., Hastings, NE. **Please call by 4 pm Wednesday, April 24th** 402-462-9023 **You MUST register to participate.**

**Mens' Prayer Group**, Saturday April 6 @ 9 am

**Sacred Music for the Easter Season...** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today,” “Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands,” “I Know That My Redeemer Lives,” “Awake, My Heart, with Gladness,” “He's Risen, He's Risen.” You can listen 24/7 to sacred music for the 50 days of the Easter season at [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org), TuneIn, Amazon Echo, Google Home, Apple Home Pod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

## The Congregation at Prayer

*Speak aloud as much of this order of prayer as you are able*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Other Readings for the Week:** *The Gospel Lesson on Monday, The Gospel Verse on Tuesday, The Epistle Lesson on Wednesday, The Gradual Verse on Thursday, The First Lesson on Friday & The Introit on Saturday.*

*Pray in response to the Catechism and/or Readings for the Week. What is God teaching you to thank Him for? What sin is He teaching you to confess? What is God teaching you to ask for? You may also pray this week's Collect, as well as for the prayers of the church (found in the bulletin).*

May the almighty and most merciful God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.

Hymn- #467 “Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”

Next Week's Readings: Ezekiel 37: 1-14, 1 John 5:4-10, John 20:19-31.

**Week of Sunday, Mar. 31st (Midweek Service Apr. 3rd)**  
**Holy Baptism**

*How can water do such great things?*

Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, Chapter Three: “He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewed by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” (Titus 3:5-8)

**Bible Verse**

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**Question**

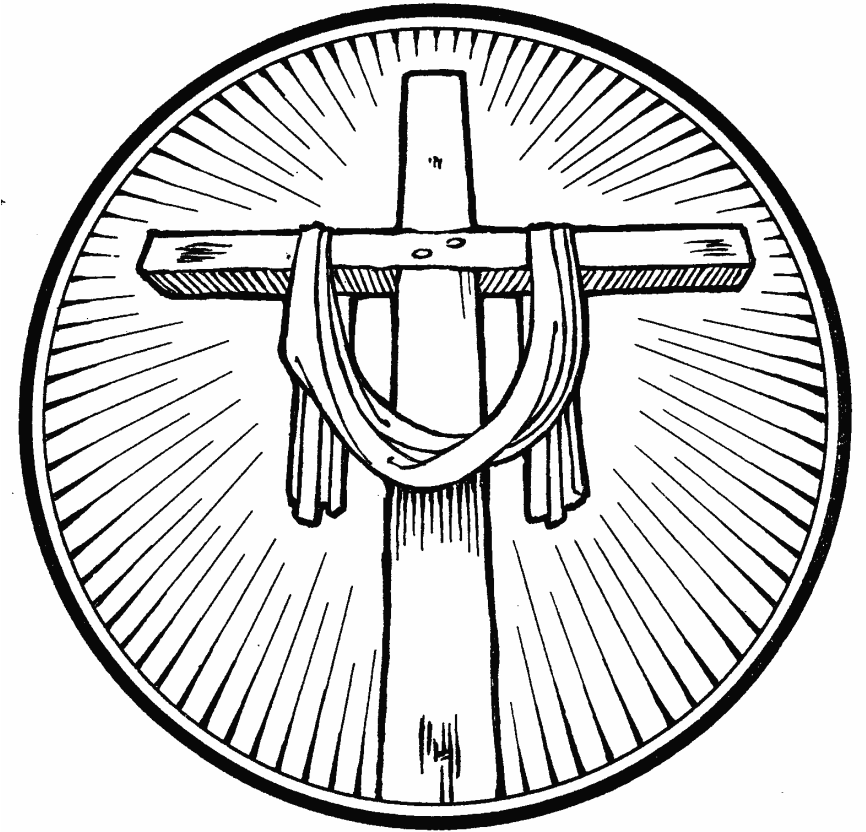
*How can plain water give forgiveness of sins, rescue from death and the devil, and give eternal life?*

**Bible Reading** John 3:1-16

**Luther's Small Catechism for Kids: p. 99-101**

Resurrection of Our Lord  
Divine Service Setting 1

March 31st  
9:00am



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