



Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of Our Lord

Traditional Worship Service March 31, 2024 · 9am

Now the Feast & Celebration Liturgy for Easter



PRELUDE

Joyful Rhythm

Faith Bells

EASTER MORNING PROCLAMATION FROM THE BAPTISMAL FONT stand

Pastor: He is risen!

Congregation: He is risen, indeed!

P: He is risen!

C: He is risen, indeed!

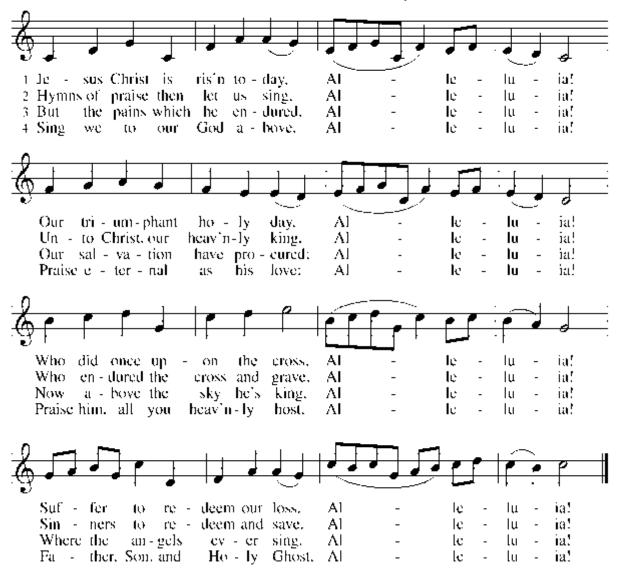
P: He is risen!

C: He is risen, indeed!

ALL: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN hymnal, #365

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion

of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.



NOW THE FEAST





PRAYER OF THE DAY FOR EASTER

P: Let us pray,

All: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

Amy Canapa, Lector

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

PSALM: Psalm 23 Pew Bible pg. #491

Lector: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want

Congregation: He makes me lie down in green pastures;

L: ²he leads me beside still waters; ³he restores my soul.

C: He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

L: ⁴Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

C: I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

L: ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

L: ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

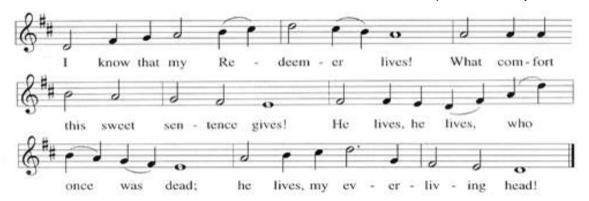
EPISTLE READING: Romans 8:31-35, 37-39 Pew Bible pg. #1032 Because of Easter, nothing, not even death, can separate us from God.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹or height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR EASTER SEASON 1 Know That My Redeemer Lives hymnal #619 vs 1



GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 28:1-10 Pew Bible pg. #911 stand

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 28th chapter.

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR EASTER SEASON I Know That My Redeemer Lives hymnal #619 vs. 4



SERMON Holy Surprises

Pastor Bob Stelter

Sermon manuscript is available on our website: www.faithloves.org

HYMN OF THE DAY hymnal #376, stand

Thine Is the Glory



NICENE CREED

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim our faith.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Greg Bohlken, Ministry Associate

Assistant: Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray

for our shared world.

A brief silence.

Assistant: Holy One, we have created divisions you will not own. In places of conflict, raise up leaders who work to develop lasting peace and reconciliation. Encourage organizations and individuals who care for all forced to leave

their homes. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Holy One, you care for those who are harassed and helpless. Protect and defend those who are abused. Heal those who are sick. Feed all who hunger. Empower all whose voices go unheard, and help us respond to the pressing needs of our neighbors. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here the prayer concerns from the bulletin are offered.

A: Holy One, you bring all people to yourself. We give thanks for the holy people who have gone before us. Sustain us in your mission until the day you bear us up to join the saints in light. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Silence for prayers of the congregation.

Pastor: Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through

Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Risen Lord be with you always.

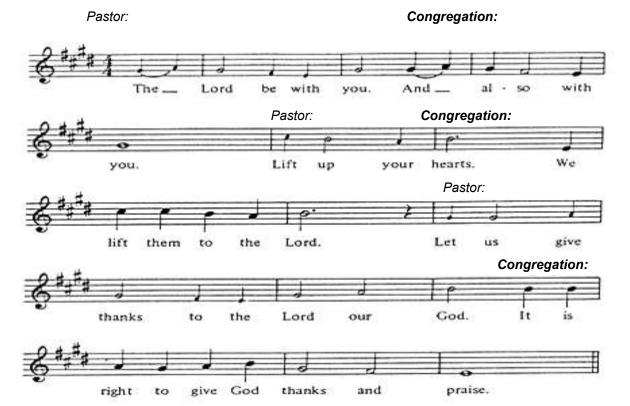
Congregation: And also with you.

OFFERING FOR MINISTRY & MISSION

OFFERING ANTHEM

This is the Day Hank Bebee

GREAT THANKSGIVING



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Congregation: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Come to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: With one voice, we pray:

All: 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.

INVITATION TO THE MEAL FROM PASTOR BOB STELTER

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION sit

All people are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper because we believe and trust that the gifts of God are free. Holy Communion is served by intinction: the worship assistant will give you a piece of bread and you can either dip that in the wine (chalice) or in the grape juice (clear glass). Gluten free wafers are available upon request. You may also come forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

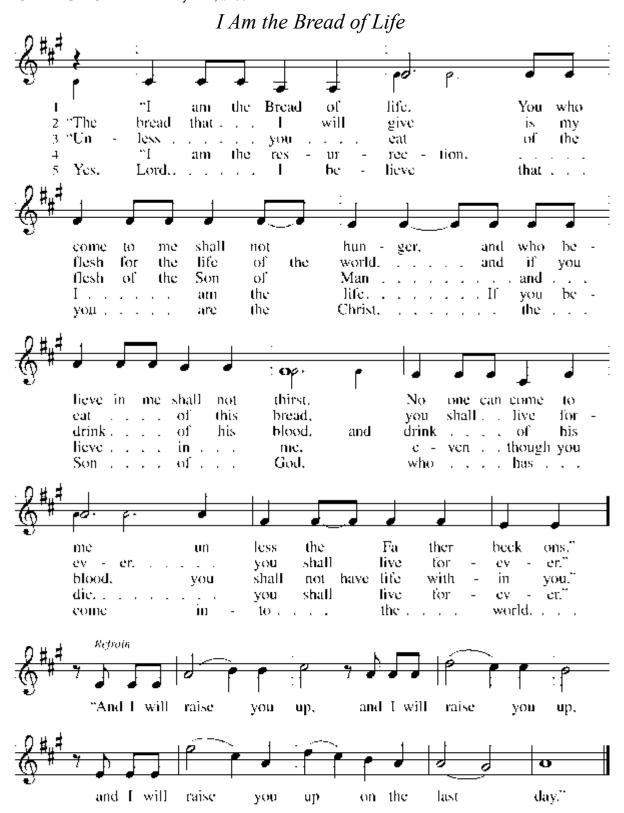
and each person may respond: **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN hymnal, #838

Beautiful Savior



DISTRIBUTION HYMN hymnal, #485



COMMUNION BLESSING stand

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Congregation: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray,

Congregation: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast,

the body and blood of Jesus. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ, our

Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Pastor: Go forth in the world as Easter people. Serve God with gladness;

be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one

evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted;

and honor all people rejoicing in the power of the Father, the Son+

and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING HYMN hymnal, #367

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



SENDING

Assistant: Christ is alive! Let us love God, love others, serve.

Congregation: Amen.

A: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Prelude in Classic Style Gordon Young

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Sunday Worship: 9am traditional with organ & choir 11:11am contemporary with praise band in person and on our YouTube livestream

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Welcome! Please sign a
Worship Card
and place it in
offering plate.

As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identities are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve.

Easter Egg Hunt & Kid's Activites



Sunday March 31, 10am meet in *The Cup* For families and kids grades 5 and under



SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY Open April 1, 3-5pm

Current Needs: Jelly (plastic bottles)
Syrup (plastic bottles) • Canned beans
Boxed Meals • Deodorant
Contact Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424.



Join us for Spirituality Book Club!

Tues Apr 2, 6:30pm Mary Bales presents All the Broken Places by John Boyne

First Wednesday April 3

Join us for dinner, fellowship, and growing in faith with classes, choirs, and groups. RSVP for dinner with this QR code or at



A new Grief Support Group led by Rev. Wyn Bryant begins Apr 3



Dinner Fellowship Groups We're looking for hosts!

Get to know each other better. For more info contact Mary Beth Hallahan at sewfun21@hotmail.com

YOUTH EVENTS

Apr 3 youth group (grd 6-12) at First Wed 6:30-7:30pm



Sign up for AFFIRM camp!

Incredible youth camp June 9-14 for students grade 6 to college. Our Youth Scholarship fund refunds you \$200+ after camp. Use sesyouth.org/AFFIRM to sign up. Questions? greg@faithloves.org or Carrie Parrott.

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is coming this summer June 3-6 from 6:30-8pm



Church Council Q&A Sunday April 7



WORSHIP THEMES

† Mar 31 - Easter Sunday - We celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus

DIG IN, GROW DEEP, LEARN WITH OTHERS

- **†** Adult Bible Class Sundays, 10:15am in *The Cup* (Resumes April 7)
- † Confirmation in the Library (Resumes April 7)
- † Teen Sunday School, 10:15am in the Youth Room (Resumes April 7)
- † Children's Sunday School, 10:15am (Resumes April 7)
- † Tuesday Bible Study, 1:30pm in The Cup

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- † Sleep in Heavenly Peace is building beds for Knox-area kids sleeping on the floor without a bed. Faith Lutheran Church is hosting the Bed Build Day on Saturday, Apr 13, 8am-Noon in our parking lot. Sign up at http://tinyurl.com/FarragutBedBuild2024SignUp and http://tinyurl.com/FarragutBedBuild2024 Waiver.
- † Write an encouraging note to our college students in the Narthex and bring \$10 Starbucks or Wal-Mart gift cards to Greg Bohlken to be mailed Apr 15
- † Join us for the next uplifting and renewing Via de Cristo retreat, Apr 18-21. Talk to retreat team members Gary & Elaine Mount, Larry Koran & Mary Beth Hallahan for more info or visit www.tnvdc.org
- † Columbarium Niches are available for \$1,800 (members) and \$2,500 (non-members). Application forms are found in our *Columbarium Booklet* located in the narthex.
- † Handbell Rehearsal, Wednesdays 5:30pm
- † Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Wednesdays 6:30pm
- † Praise Band Rehearsal, Thurs 6pm & Sun 10:15am



Interest meeting for teaching English as a Second language

April 14, 10:15am in the Community Room Questions? talk to Mildred Fenske, gomer2@hotmail.com

Members of Faith Lutheran Church — Ministers

Sandra Bohlken — Contemporary Worship Leader Trace Taylor — Sound Technician Tiffany Bryson — Nursery Caregiver Kim Frasch — Quiet Music Ministry Alicia & David Brondos — Missionaries Mary Boring — Office Manager
Dan Primka — Communication Specialist
Barbara Birkholz — Financial Secretary
Mildred Fenske — Prayer Chain Coordinator

Dr. Bob Stelter — Pastor Greg Bohlken — Ministry Associate Lynn Rognsvoog — Organist Collin Kasefang — Choir Director

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members: Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Barbara Bird, Mary Blackburn, Myles Cooper, Mac Curtis, Patsy Elmore, Pat & Nick Gary, Green family, Jonas Greenman, Jim Hallahan, Michael Lee, Bonnie Legako, Cori Lehman, Kris Lehman, Lin & Mike McKinley, Patricia Mabry, Joe Morelli, Walter Paquet, Harold Peters, Joe Poole, Randy Schaefer, Bobbie Steele, Ann Stelter, Jim Van Deusen, Dave Willis, Maurice and Rebecca.

This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.

Friends: App family, Lisa Atkinson, Brian Austin, Valborg Berdal, Glenn Bird, Bill Birkholz, Dee Bohn, Sharon Brokenshire, Ginger Cameron, Jeff Carter, Jaigne Chrisman, James Copeland, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Amy Cranford, Damico family, Sharon Danek, Deloris Daniels, Errol Dennis, Sr. & family, Judy DiStefano, Brandy & Brian Duke, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Joel Garber, Frank Galbraith, Craig Graf, Grayson family, Matt Green & family, Gutelius family, John Hancock, John Hargrove, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Hwangbo family, Joy Hymer, Dan Johnson, Dave Jones, Rob Keiser, Donna Knick, Barb Korsmo, Clara Landau, Becky Larsen, Loyacano family, Noel Mackey, David Matthews, Judy McMillan, Kevin McAvoy, Pat Miller, Audra Tyler Moore, Mike Morgan, Fred Pleasant, Marilyn Savilisky, Scaglione family, Jim Shea, Lynn Siegfried, Sylvia Smith, Austin Stephens, Frank Tyler, Carla Welch, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Christi, Darcy, Jody, Katie, Michael and those we name to you.

Inspiration: Holy Week services.

<u>First Communion Blessings</u>: Daniel Hwangbo, Sophia Hwangbo, Victoria Hwangbo, Asher Patterson, Brighton Walker, Clifford Walker.

Joy: First Wednesday gatherings each month!

<u>Comfort in the Midst of Death for the Family & Friends of</u>: Frances Alkire, David Yackle, Lester Varnes, Vader Ernst, Nat Ellis, Big Jake, Kyle Ollig, Bea Horian

Salvation Army Friends: Tara, Jennifer, Brooke, Dinesha, Genesis, Margaret, Matt, Scott, Roy, Sean, Bradley, Bruce, Clyde, Darwin

<u>Prayers, Concern & Assistance</u>: The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans.

Partnerships: Bishop Pro-Tem Michael Burk & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band; Mercy Ships; Lutheran Church & School in Guatemala; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

<u>Peace</u>: Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Tyler Hitter, Anthony Hu, Chase Linell, HM, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Chris Yolpke, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.



Giving 3/24/24

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 5,730 Offerings Year-to-Date: \$ 169,975

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WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY - 9am Traditional

- Altar Guild: Ann Stewart
- Assisting Minister: Greg Bohlken
- Cantor: Collin Kasefang
- Lector: Amy Canapa
- Communion Ministers: Lisa Stelter, Rev. Wyn Bryant
 Nancy Dean, Loni Peters
- Greeters: Linda & Gaylon Swenson
- Ushers: Joy & Chuck Crosby
- Projection & Lights: Larry Koran
- Offering Stewards: Gary Dakolios, George Herbold

Week of March 31 - April 6, 2024

Sunday, March 31- Easter Sunday

9am Traditional Worship Service

10am Easter Egg Hunt & Activities The Cup

11:11am Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, April 1

9am Sons of Norway

Noon Via de Cristo Reunion Group Library

3-5pm Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry open

Tuesday, April 2

1:30pm Bible Study Small Group The Cup

6:30pm Spirituality Book Club

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous The Cup

Wednesday, April 3

4:15pm Office Staff Meeting

5:15-6:15pm First Wednesday Dinner

5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

6pm Children's Choir Rehearsal

6:30pm Grief Support Group led by Rev. Wyn Bryant

Loving Aging Parents
Parenting Connections

Studying Next Sunday's Gospel Youth Group (Grades 6 and up)

Thursday, April 4

9:00am Authors Guild of TN

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous The Cup

Friday, April 5

9:30am Cole Center Caregiver Community

7pm Narcotics Anonymous The Cup

Saturday, April 6

9am Member reserved The Cup

11am AL-ANON meeting

Sunday, April 7

9am Traditional Worship Service

10am Church Council Q&A The Cup

10:15am Adult Sunday School

Confirmation Class

Children's Sunday School

Teen Sunday School

11:11am Contemporary Worship Service

12:15pm Church Council Q&A The Cup

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY - 11:11am Contemporary

- Altar Guild: Vicki Adams
- Communion Ministers: Lisa Stelter, Sarah Hester, Kaya Johnson Deb Courtney, Kristie Turner
- · Greeter: Yvette Edwards
- Ushers: Linda & John Shoemaker
- · Projection & Lights: Tim Stone
- Offering Stewards: Gary Dakolios, George Herbold

Preparing for Next Week

Mon: Daniel 12:1-3, Psalm 16:8-11, Acts 2:14, 22-32, Matthew 28:9-15 • Tues: Genesis 1:20-2:4, 1 Corinthians 15:50-58, Psalm 118:1-2,14-24

Wed: Song of Solomon 3:1, Mark 16:1-8, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 • Thurs: Daniel 1:1-21, Acts 2:42-47, Psalm 133

Fri: Daniel 2:1-23, Acts 4:23-31, Psalm 133 • Sat: Daniel 2:24-49, John 12:44-50, Psalm 133

Sun: Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133, 1 John 1:1-2:2, John 20:19-31