

# Our Saviour Lutheran Church

The Resurrection of Our Lord  
Easter Sunday

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**He has risen; he is not here.**

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### **A note to visitors**

We are delighted to have you with us this morning to receive the Lord's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

### **The Offering**

In the service, members of this church are privileged to give to the Lord for the work of His church in this community and throughout the world. Visitors should not feel obliged in any way to contribute to the offering plate.

### **Children in the Service**

It is a delight and a privilege to have children in the service. Children as much as adults are members of God's family and Jesus welcomes little children to Him.

There is a Sunday School for children during the sermon. The children leave at the beginning of the

sermon and return to church before the Service of the Sacrament.

Please do not worry if your child will not sit still or quietly throughout the service. Most young children won't manage that! There is plenty of space at the back of the room. If you do need to take a child outside, the smaller room is available for that purpose.

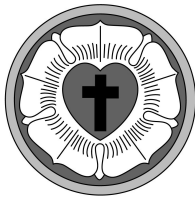
### ***Holy Communion***

It is our desire that all people receive the body and blood of our Lord at this altar. However, our Lord has told us in His Word that His body and blood, given into our mouths, are powerful and not to be given or received lightly or in a careless way. Therefore, in respecting the Word of the Lord that anyone who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner is doing harm to themselves, and that He desires that all who commune together be truly united in the confession of the truth, we ask that only those who have been instructed in the Lutheran Confessions and are under our pastor's care come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

All who are visiting us and who desire to commune with us are asked to first speak with our pastor *before the service*, so that all can make an informed decision about participating with us in our fellowship in this place. ***We are not condemning anyone with this practice***; we seek only to follow the Word of the Lord and carry out responsible pastoral care.

If you are not communing with us today, please do come forward to receive a blessing.

***Thank you for honouring our beliefs.***



**A note on the service:**

Both the hymns and the order of service are found in the *Lutheran Service Book*. The outline of the service is given in this bulletin. The congregation stands for the parts of the service printed in italics and sits for the rest.

The numbers in the bulletin refer to page numbers in the hymnal, where Psalm 1 is also page one, and the first hymn is 331, following page 330. It helps to follow the service if you mark your place in the liturgy with this bulletin.

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Divine Service III

LSB 184

*457 Hymn: Jesus Christ is risen today*

*184 Confession and Absolution*

**Catechism**

**P** The Lord's Prayer, Seventh Petition

**P** But deliver us from evil.

**P** What does this mean?

**C** We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

**P** The Conclusion

**C** Amen.

**P** What does this mean?

**C** This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so".

*Introit (Ps 8:1, 5–6, 9; antiphon: Luke 24:5b–7)*



**A** He is risen! Alle- | luia!\*

Why do you seek the living among the dead?  
Alle- | luia!

Remember how he | told you\*  
that the Son of Man must be crucified and  
on the third day rise. Alle- | luia!

**C** O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your  
name in | all the earth!\*

You have set your glory above  
the | heavens.

**A** Yet you have made him a little lower than the  
heavenly | beings\*

and crowned him with glory and | honour.

**C** O | LORD, our Lord,\*

how majestic is your name in | all the  
earth!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now and will be forever. | Amen.

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**186** *Kyrie*

**187** *Gloria in excelsis*

**189** *Salutation and Collect of the Day*

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-be-  
gotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death  
and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant  
that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our  
Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death  
of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus  
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever.

**The Readings**

***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).

### Old Testament reading—Job 19:23–27

<sup>23</sup> Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! <sup>24</sup> Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! <sup>25</sup> For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. <sup>26</sup> And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, <sup>27</sup> whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

### Gradual (*Ps. 118:24, 1*)

**G** This is the day that the | LORD has made;\*  
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is  
good;\*  
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

### Epistle Reading—1 Corinthians 5:6–8

<sup>6</sup> Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? <sup>7</sup> Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. <sup>8</sup> Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

### 464 *The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done*

#### Gospel Reading—Mark 16:1–8

**P** The ✠ holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.



**G** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” <sup>4</sup> And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him,

just as he told you.”<sup>8</sup> And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

191 *The Nicene Creed*

462 **Hymn: All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding**

**Sermon**

192 *The Offertory*

**Offering**

193 *Prayer of the Church*

633 **Hymn: At the Lamb's High Feast**

194 *The Service of the Sacrament*

199 *Nunc Dimittis and Post-Communion Prayers*

202 *Blessing*

465 **Hymn: Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

### Members

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### Family and friends of members

Lucy, Diana; Ilse Kelly; Alex, Sarah & family; Frank Knibbs; Helen Kriewaldt; Johann Wiebusch; Claire; Margaret & Patrick Tustin; Brian, Jan & family; Lisa; Julie; Cynthia; Marie & family; Sally; Claire and Phil; Julie Gardner; Christine; Georgie & Nigel; Doreen & family; David; Rob; Kelly Klages & baby

### ELCE

St. David Lutheran Church; Pr. Naumann; *The British Lutheran*; Boor family (St. Andrew's); Van Fossan family; Sonja (Oxford Mission)

### The Church of God

Lutheran Church in Southern Africa; Pr. James May & family; St. John the Evangelist, Fareham; Pr. Yousef Nadarkhani

**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD**  
**THE SMALCALD ARTICLES**  
**PART II, ARTICLE I: THE CHIEF ARTICLE**

The first and chief article is this:

That Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, died for our sins and was raised again for our justification (Romans 4:24-25).

He alone is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world (John 1:29), and God has laid on Him the iniquities of us all (Isaiah 53:6).

All have sinned and are justified freely, without their own works or merits, by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, in His blood (Romans 3:23-4)

This is necessary to believe. This cannot be otherwise acquired or grasped by any work, law, or merit. Therefore, it is clear and certain that this faith alone justifies us. As St. Paul says, “For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from the works of the Law” (Romans 3:28). “That He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith Jesus” (Romans 3:26).

Nothing of this article can be yielded or surrendered, even though heaven and earth and everything else falls. “For there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12). “And with His stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:5). Upon this article everything that we teach and practice depends, in opposition to the Pope, the devil, and the whole world. Therefore, we must be certain and not doubt this doctrine. Otherwise all is lost, and the Pope and devil and all things gain the victory and suit over us.

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

### The Week Ahead

Today	3pm	Divine Service (Brighton Mission)
10 Apr		<i>Pastor on leave</i>
11–13 Apr		Family Barnes Conference
15 Apr	10.30am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)

### Further ahead

18 Apr	1pm	Pastor's Surgery ( <i>The Highlands Hub</i> )
19 Apr	7.30pm	Bible Study (Parsonage)
22 Apr	10.30am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
25 Apr	1pm	Pastor's Surgery ( <i>The Highlands Hub</i> )
	3pm	Devotion at Merry Hall
26 Apr	7.30pm	Bible Study (Parsonage)
29 Apr	10.30am	Morning Service (Scout Hall)
2 May	7.30pm	Finance Meeting (Parsonage)
5 May		Barbecue at the Parsonage ( <i>tbc</i> )
6 May	10.30am	Divine Service <b>at St. Francis, Funtley</b>
27 May		<i>Scout Hall unavailable for service. Venue tbc</i>

### Next Sunday's Readings:

*Ezekiel 37:1–14; 1 John 5:4–10; John 20:19–31*

### Daily Readings:

Sun: Exodus 14:10–31 Hebrews 7:23–8:13 *Formula of Concord Solid Declaration VI: 7–14*

Mon: Ex 15:1–18 Heb 9:1–28 *FC SD VI: 15–20*

Tue: Ex 15:19–16:12 Heb 10:1–18 *FC SD VI: 21–26*

Wed: Ex 16:13–35 Heb 10:19–39 *FC SD VII: 1–8*

Thu: Ex 17:1–16 Heb 11:1–29 *FC SD VII: 9–16*

Fri: Ex 18:5–27 Heb 12:1–24 *FC SD VII: 17–27*

Sat: Ex 19:1–25 Heb 13:1–21 *FC SD VII: 28–34*

### A Big 'Thank You'

Many thanks to everyone who helped to prepare and run of last Wednesday's holiday club, *Alive!* Thanks to everyone's efforts, the nearly 30 children that came had a good and safe time, plenty of fun and plenty to eat and drink.

A special mention goes to Sarah for taking on the bulk of the planning and preparation.

Thank you!