

# Our Saviour Lutheran Church

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## Quasi Modo Geniti *Second Sunday of Easter* 3 April 2016

**Hymns: 461; 470; 621; Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem (bulletin)**

### **Catechism Reading**

**P** The Creed, the Second Article

**C** And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**P** What does this mean?

**C** I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

### **Volunteer Rota**

Today: Music: Carol—Sunday School: Sarah—Teas: Dot

Next week: Music: Calvin—Sunday School: Barbara—Teas: Rosemary

*The rota is still quite empty for coming weeks. If you are able to help, please sign up on the notice board at the back of the hall.*

## In Our Prayers

### Members

Ron; Frank; Carol

### Family of members

Debbie (health); Diana (old age); Alex, Sarah & family; Roly (dementia); Jane (mental health); John (health); Philip (health); Rita Annis (health); Claire Annis (health); Anna (back pains)

### Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Trevor (unemployed); Gus & Mae (health); Claire & Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Bob Waters (cancer); Geoff (cancer);

Caroline Deans (cancer); Angela (tests); Janet (cancer); Richard (mental health); Sally (health); Leanne (health); Gina & family; Tim (health); family of †Bernie Boat

### ELCE

St. Columba's Lutheran Church, Pr. Edge; Wendy Nicolson (cancer); baby Christian Graham (cancer)

### The Church of God

Fareham Baptist New Life Church; Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Christian Mission, Mohamed Gurhan

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## Closing Hymn: Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem



1. Ye choirs of new Je - ru - sa - lem, Your sweet - est notes em - ploy,
2. How Ju - dah's li - on burst His chains, And crushed the ser - pent's head;
3. From hell's de - vour - ing jaws the pray A - lone our Lead - er bore;
4. Tri - umph - ant in His glo - ry now His scep - tre rul - eth all,



The Pas - chal vic - to - ry to hymn In strains of ho - ly joy.  
And brought with Him, from death's do - mains, The long - im - prisoned dead.  
His ran - somed hosts pur - sue their way Where He hat gone be - fore.  
Earth, heaven, and hell be - fore Him bow, And at His footstool fall.

5. While we, His soldiers, praise our King,  
His mercy we implore,  
Within His palace bright to bring  
And keep us evermore.

- △ 6. All glory to the Father be,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee,  
While endless ages run.

*Text: Fulbert of Chartres (960–1028); tr. Robert Campbell (1814–68)*

*Music: Henry Gauntlett (1805–76)*

**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD**  
**THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION**  
**ARTICLE XXVIII: CHURCH AUTHORITY**

Our teachers' position is this: the authority of the Keys (Matthew 16:19), or the authority of the bishops—according to the Gospel—is a power or commandment of God, to preach the Gospel, to forgive and retain sins, and to administer Sacraments. Christ sends out His apostles with this command, “As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you ... Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld” (John 20:21-22). And in Mark 16:15, Christ says, “Go ... proclaim the Gospel to the whole creation.”

This authority is exercised only by teaching or preaching the Gospel and administering the Sacraments, either to many or to individuals, according to their calling. In this way are given not only bodily, but also eternal things: eternal righteousness, the Holy Spirit, and eternal life. These things cannot reach us except by the ministry of the Word and the Sacraments, as Paul says, “The Gospel ... is the power of God for salvation to everyone that believes” (Romans 1:16). Therefore, the Church has the authority to grant eternal things and exercises this authority only by the ministry of the Word.

Paragraph 5-9

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**HYMN OF THE DAY: O SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE KING**

Hymns do many different things. Some hymns teach The Faith. Others put into our own words the events of the Scriptures. “Ye Sons and Daughters of the King” is one such hymn. Our unknown French author takes us through the events of St. John 20, where the Evangelist tells us how the grave lost its sting. We sing of the angel, the upper room, Thomas' doubt, and Jesus' return to them the following Sunday. Then we sing that we are truly blessed because we have not seen the Risen Jesus yet still believe in Him, and we united with the whole Church on earth and in heaven in praising and glorifying Christ, the King of light. *Pr. Brian Westgate*

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**Important Notice concerning Current Budget Plans**

Westfield House have notified the pastor that they are not able to offer him any teaching for the academic year 2016/17. This means that there will be a significant reduction in our budgeted income for the current financial year.

The Church Council will meet at the earliest opportunity to discuss the matter and will report to the congregation as soon as possible.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

### This week

Today	12.30 pm	Church Council Meeting
Wed	10.30 am	Pastor's Surgery (The Hub)
Thu	1.30 pm	Bible Study (Parsonage)
Sun	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	4. 30 pm	Divine Service at Brighton Mission

### Next Month

10 Apr	10.30 am	Divine Service
	4. 30 pm	Divine Service at Brighton Mission
13 Apr	10.30 am	Pastor's Surgery (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Kiln Lodge & Hunters Lodge
14 April	10.30 am	Bible study (Parsonage)— <b>Note the new time</b>
16 Apr	2 pm	Service of thanksgiving & dedication at Lutheran Radio UK, Cambridge
17 Apr	10. 30 am	Divine Service
	6 pm	Youth Club
20Apr	10.30 am	Pastor's Surgery (The Hub)
	7.30 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
22–24 Apr		ELCE Retreat (Launde Abbey)
24 Apr	10.30 am	Divine Service
	3 pm	Bible study at Oxford Mission
	4.30 pm	Pastor at Oxford Mission
26–27 Apr		Barnes Conference
27 Apr	10.30 am	Pastor's Surgery (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Merry Hall
	7.30 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
1 May	10.30 am	Divine Service <b>at St. Francis—NB unusual venue</b>
	12.30 pm	Voters' Assembly (The Parsonage)
	6 pm	Youth Club

### **Daily Readings:**

Sun: Exodus 20:1–24 Luke 4:1–15 *Formula of Concord Solid Declaration VII:35–41*

Mon: Ex 22:20–23:13 Luke 4:16–30 *FC SD VII:42–47*

Tue: Ex 23:14–33 Luke 4:31–44 *FC SD VII:48–51*

Wed: Ex 24:1–18 Luke 5:1–16 *FC SD VII:52–58*

Thu: Ex 25:1–22 Ex 25:23–30:38 Luke 5:17–39 *FC SD VII:59–61*

Fri: Ex 31:1–18 Luke 6:1–19 *FC SD VII:62–68*

Sat: Ex 32:1–14 Luke 6:20–38 *FC SD VII:69–72*

Sun: Ex 32:15–35 Luke 6:39–49 *FC SD VII:73–76*