

**APRIL 05, 2026**

**Easter Sunday**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

The Rest of the Story: The Empty Tomb

**Greeting**

The congregation faces the Christ Candle at the entrance of the sanctuary. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, on this most holy morning when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather in worship and wonder with the church throughout the world. This is the passover of Jesus Christ. We proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and await Christ's coming again in glory.

Let us pray. Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you have given the light of life to all the world. Bless this new fire. Kindle your light in us. May we shine with the brightness of Christ's rising, until we feast at your banquet in everlasting day; through the Sun of righteousness, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The presiding minister traces the inscription on the lintel of the entrance to the sanctuary.*

Christ, yesterday and today, ✚  
the beginning and the ending. **A Ω**  
To Christ belongs all time **2**  
and all the ages; **0**  
to Christ belongs glory and dominion **2**  
now and forever. **5**

**Amen.**

*The presiding minister lights the paschal candle, singing:*

The light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

**Procession**

*As the procession begins, the leader proclaims:*

The light of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Easter Proclamation

The minister sings the Easter proclamation.

*Rejoice, now, all heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ is risen! Celebrate the divine mysteries with exultation; and for so great a victory, sound the trumpet of salvation. Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor, radiant in the brightness of your king! Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever. Rejoice, O holy church! Exult in glory! The risen Savior shines upon you! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people.*

## Processional Hymn *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

vv. 1-3 ELW 365

Sarah Prati 7 AM

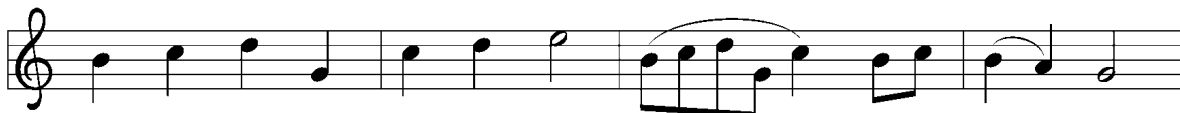
Mitch Steils and Emily 9 AM



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

## Prayer of the Day

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Loving God, With joy and unending praise we raise our voices to you, as together we sing, "Hallelujah! Jesus is risen!" **Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## Song of Praise

### Let Us Enter In



1 Let us en-ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free-dom.  
2 Let us en-ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.  
3 Let us en-ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en-ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.  
Let us en-ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.  
Let us en-ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.  
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.  
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.  
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.  
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

## Children's Bible Story

### Reading Psalm 21-29

<sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup> **The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.**

<sup>23</sup> This is the Lord's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup> **This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

<sup>25</sup> Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!  
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

<sup>26</sup> **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

- <sup>27</sup> The Lord is God,  
and he has given us light.  
Bind the festal procession with branches,  
up to the horns of the altar.
- <sup>28</sup> **You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;  
you are my God; I will extol you.**
- <sup>29</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.

The Holy Gospel according to John the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

### **Gospel John 20:1-18**

<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus’s head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**(Verse 1)**

In the darkness  
we were waiting  
Without hope without light  
Till from Heaven  
You came running  
There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets  
To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory  
To a cradle in the dirt

**(Chorus)**

Praise the Father  
Praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit three in one  
God of Glory Majesty  
Praise forever to the  
King of kings

**(Verse 2)**

To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus for our sake You died

**(Chorus)**

**(Verse 3)**

And the morning  
that You rose  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone  
was moved for good  
For the Lamb  
had conquered death  
And the dead  
rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls  
of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored

**(Chorus)**

## **The Nicene Creed**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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,  
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 and the Son,  
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.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*After each petition the congregation responds:*

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

## **Announcements & Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## Offering

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*After the offering is gathered, as the gifts are brought forward, the assembly stands.*

## Offering Song

### As a Mother Comforts Her Child



As a moth-er com-forts her child, so God will com - fort you.



As a hen gath-ers her brood, so Christ will gath - er you.



As a wise one coun-sels her friend, so the Spir-it will coun-sel you.



The Trin - i - ty of love will be with you.

## Offering Prayer

Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.

You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more.

Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,

that goodness and mercy may follow us

and bless the world you love.

**Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **Words of Institution**

*The presiding minister prays and proclaims the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, concluding:*

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

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures,

with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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 Communion

This is Christ's table and Christ welcomes each and every single one of you.

*All who desire the Lord's Supper are invited to come forward. Following the usher's invitation, process along the center aisle. Receive the wafer of bread in your hands. You may request a gluten-free wafer. Then take a small cup from the tray—white grape juice is in the center and red wine is around the edge. Deposit your cup in the basket when you are finished and return to your seat down the side aisle. We invite children and those not receiving the bread and wine to come forward to receive a blessing at the altar railing. Indicate your wish for a blessing by crossing your arms.*

## Communion Hymn

### This Is Christ's Body



This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with  
mer - cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,  
bro - ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

### Distribution

### Special Music

Grace Lampkowski 9 AM

### Post Communion Prayer

Holy One,  
through this meal you have made your home among us  
and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,  
to love our enemies,  
and to bring your healing to the nations.

In the name of Jesus,

**Amen.**

### Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn** *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* vv. 1-3 ELW 367

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Holy Grounds News:** It's almost that time! Great **fellowship, fresh air,** light **exercise** and **service** to our church. The only cost to you is **an hour of your time.** No commitment necessary--just **show up** whenever you have a **free hour.** It will be a big year for us! Our **crew maintains** the **landscaping** around the perimeter of our building on Thursdays **from 9-10 a.m.** with **refreshments** and conversations **following.** There is something for everyone. **All are welcome**--many hands are needed! We meet from mid-April through fall, and we would love to have you join us! Our **first meeting** will be **Thursday, April 16th** at **9 a.m.** Stay afterwards for snacks and **see the proposed** new **atrium** landscape **design!**

**All confirmed women of Prince of Peace** are members of WELCA. The next WELCA meeting is Sunday, May 03 in the Community Center lobby at 10:15 AM. Get your coffee and goodies and join in on the discussion and planning of upcoming events.

As you are doing your **Spring cleaning** keep **WELCA's annual rummage sale** is May 16<sup>th</sup>, during Ida Community Day in mind. Area garage sales are publicized, and a list of all the sales will be available at the Ida Library. Save your gently used items. Please make sure all parts are with the item and everything works. Drop off info, etc. coming soon. Contact Kim Cramer at 313-600-9297 or [cramergirls09@gmail.com](mailto:cramergirls09@gmail.com) with questions

**Serving our congregation this morning:**

Acolytes – 9 AM – Miriam Werner and Elijah Werner

Altar Guild – Betty Nickel, Roxie Boll, Jean Lloyd

Easter Breakfast – Kim Cramer and Jayden

Liturgical Minister – 7 AM Betty Nickel                      9 AM – Chris Knight

Media – Brian DeLand    Organist – Ray Smith

Special Music – 7 AM – Sarah Prati, Trumpet Processional

9 AM – Mitch Steils and Emily, Brass, Processional; Grace Lampkowski, Vocalist *Death was Arrested*

Ushers – 7 AM – Leonard Fox, Roxie Boll, Jane Sondergeld, Cheryl Stotz

9 AM – McCain Family

**Schedule:**

Sunday: Holy Communion Easter Sunday – 7 & 9 AM

Easter Breakfast – 8 AM

Tuesday: Alcoholic Anonymous - 7 PM

Wednesday: Mid-Week Service – 7 PM

Thursday: Blood Drive

Pickleball – 6 PM

**Coming soon...**

Sun Apr 12 – Holy Hilarity Sunday

Wed Apr 15 & Sun Apr 19 – Blessing of the Seed & Soil Sunday

Sun Apr 26 – Kids Handbells Play during Worship Service

Sun Apr 26 – First Communion Class – 11:15 AM

Sun May 03 – First Communion Celebration– 9 AM

Sun May 03 – Last Day of Sunday School

Sun May 03 – WELCA Meeting – 10:15 AM

Sun May 03– Teacher & Youth Worker Appreciation

Sun May 10 – Mother's Day

Sat May 16 – WELCA Rummage Sale

Sun May 17 – Affirmation of Baptism for Catechism 8<sup>th</sup> graders

Mon May 18 – IKC Preschool Graduation - 6 PM

Wed May 20 – Cemetery Memorial Day Service – 6 PM

Sun May 24 – Pentecost Sunday

Fri. & Sat. May 29-30 – Synod Assembly in Farmington Hills

Sun May 31 – Graduation Sunday

**Local Events...**

Fri Apr 17 – Roast beef dinner @ E Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church, 6272 W Albain Rd. Monroe, 4-6:30 PM Meal includes roast beef, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans or corn, applesauce or coleslaw, dinner roll, beverage & dessert. Adults \$12; kids 5-10 \$8; kids 4 & under free. Carry-out available!

Sun Apr 19 – Whiteford High School Choir under the direction of Mr. Todd Schriber @ IHM Motherhouse Chapel 610 W Elm Ave Monroe 48162 @ 3 PM

Sat Apr 25 – Annual Garage Sale 9am-2pm @ King of Kings Lutheran Church 2685 Packard Road Ann Arbor 48104. Donations to the sale will be accepted April 20-23<sup>rd</sup>. Receipts available. (there's a list of items NOT accepted, email [contact@kingofkingslutheran.org](mailto:contact@kingofkingslutheran.org) for more info)



## Middle East Crisis Response

Lutheran Disaster Response is working with our companions on the ground throughout the Middle East, to provide critical assistance for those affected by the conflict, including emergency food and water, shelter and essential supplies, trauma-informed care and long-term recovery efforts.



Scan the QR code to give today.

By giving to Lutheran Disaster Response, you make it possible for the ELCA to act quickly after disasters – including humanitarian crises – and remain for as long as the recovery takes.




**GIVE HOPE  
THIS SPRING.**

**Give blood.**



**Blood Drive**  
**Ida Area Churches**  
**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

Gymnasium  
 1920 Lewis Avenue  
 Ida, MI 48140

**Thursday, April 9, 2026**  
**11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

DROP INTO BLOOD DONATION! SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT, KINDLY CALL 1-800-RED-CROSS. Or VISIT [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) AND ENTER CODE: IDACHURCHES



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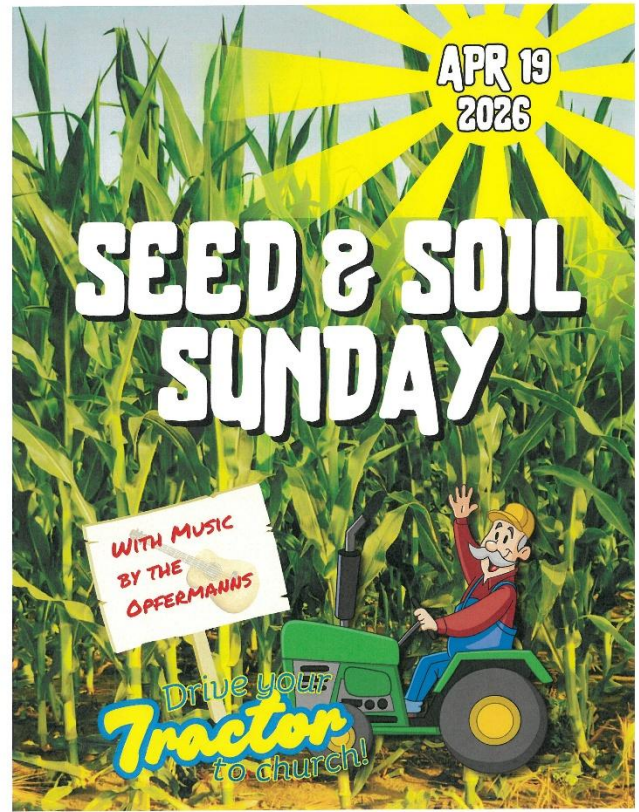


**Holy Hilarity Sunday!**  
 April 12, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.  
 Celebrate the joy of the resurrection!  
 Prince of Peace Church - Ida

**LAUGH**

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The Annual Blessing of the Seed, Soil & Sower is Wed Apr 15 @ 7 PM & Sun Apr 19 at 9 AM. We will pray for God's blessing over the planting season, the gift of the land, and those who labor in the fields. We'll have small samples of blessed soil & plants for kids (or anyone) to take home. You are welcome to bring a baggie/sample of your seed, soil, etc. to be blessed. Be sure to invite area friends, farmers, and backyard gardeners. Bring your tractor!



Prince of Peace  
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**FIRST COMMUNION  
CLASS**

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026 11:15-2:00 PM

RITE OF FIRST COMMUNION SUN MAY 03

RSVP to [kim@princeofpeaceida.org](mailto:kim@princeofpeaceida.org)

The plants were purchased by the following people for use this Easter morning. There is a list on the bulletin board near Pastor's office of the which plants you ordered.

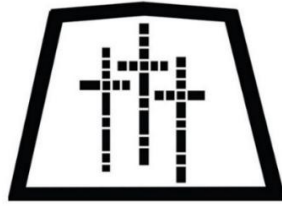


**In Honor of:**

- ∞ Our Risen Lord by Paul & Marilyn Ness
- ∞ Chaplains by The Werner Family
- ∞ Our Risen Lord by Dick & Martha Kamprath
- ∞ The Risen Lord by John & Kelsey Creguer
- ∞ Our Prince of Peace Family by Larry & Shawn Kreps
- ∞ Our Risen Lord by Paul & Jeannine Mark
- ∞ The Glory of our Risen Lord by Brian & Barb DeLand
- ∞ Our Risen Lord by Ron & Lynne Zabawa
- ∞ Our Prince of Peace Family by Kim Kibat and Ray Smith

**In Loving Memory of:**

- ∞ Our brother, Richard Fruchey & our parents by Tom & Jan Fruchey
- ∞ Larry Nickel by Betty Nickel
- ∞ Mr. & Mrs. Wm Cairns by Cheryl Stotz
- ∞ John Kutzke, our son; and Leonard Kutzke brother by Marvin & Diana Kutzke
- ∞ Our parents by Leonard & Joy Fox
- ∞ Larry Kreps, III by Larry & Shawn Kreps
- ∞ Loved ones by Eugene & Barb Ott
- ∞ Virginia Beck by Jacks Family
- ∞ Roger W. Younglove by wife, Nancy
- ∞ Trudy Hill and all loved ones by Kim Kibat and family
- ∞ Doug Vore and Chris Messer by Shawna Russell & family
- ∞ Homer & Norma Ballard by loved ones
- ∞ Fritz & Joyce Kominek, being the best role models by Stephanie Gabriel
- ∞ Tom Opfermann, Judy Wadysz, Joanna Schlageter, Clare Tremplin, Marlene Howe, Smauel Longnecker, Cheryl Woelmer, Brian Bogedain, Herman Halter, Sue Albring, Don Stadler, Sid Gilbert, JoAnn Capaul, Trudy Hill



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Service Times:

Sundays – 9 AM

Fellowship Hour – 10 AM

Sunday School & Catechism – 10:15 AM

Wednesday Mid-Week Service - 7 PM

**Ida Kids Center**

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