Faith Lutheran Church

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Our Mission is to joyfully share God's love with all.

Sunday, April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday Service of Holy Communion

All are welcome to communion.

The trays contain red wine and in the center is white grape juice.

Gluten free wafers are available at the center ends of the communion railing. Place empty wine cups in the basket at opposite ends of the communion railing.

Watch us Live at: https://faitheaton.com. YouTube link is under "Live". Bulletins are also available under "Resources" on this site. You can watch any service at your leisure, not just at the appointed service time. The new YouTube link:

https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurchEaton/streams

We Are *Grateful* for our Faith Volunteers!

We have many opportunities to serve at Faith: Please consider signing up to be Ushers, Scripture Readers, Refreshment providers or Power Point Operator. There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex.

Faith Volunteers

	April 20	April 27
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher	Ketterlings	
Scripture Reader	Jen Leffler	Juanita Kohlhoff
Communion Setup	Penny Leffler	Joy O'Shea
Communion Assistant	Chris Leffler	
Refreshments	Easter Brunch 9 a.m.	
Power Point		

PRELUDE: Victor Walters

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name.

Baptized into you, O Living One, make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today ELW 365

GREETING

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.**

GLORY TO GOD

ELW - PAGE 213 (not hymn #)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Thine Is The Glory ELW 376

GOSPEL Luke 24:1-12

¹ On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.

⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of Our Lord, Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen ELW 377

CREED (Please Stand)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

ELW 751

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; Come and listen to me.

Each Petition ends: God, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING SONG: I Know That My Redeemer Lives ELW 619

Vs 1-2

OFFERING PRAYER ^ (Please stand)

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Please Stand)

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so,

with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

YOU ARE HOLY

ELW 525

You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more than we ever understand, You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness, You are present, let the Cosmos praise you, Lord. Sing Hosanna in the highest! Sing Hosanna, Sing hosanna to our God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

With thanksgiving we remember our Lord Jesus Christ: 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.

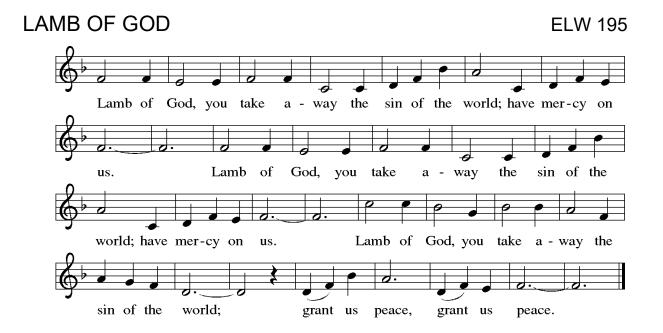
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the mystery of our faith. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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

All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshiping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus ELW 392

COMMUNION BLESSING ^ (Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

BENEDICTION: Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD look upon you with favor and grant you peace. **Amen**

SENDING SONG: Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing! ELW 389

DISMISSAL: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Victor Walters

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#### APRIL OFFERING:

April 13, 2025 Offering gratefully received: \$ 3493.10 Total Received for the month of April \$ 5794.10

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Birthdays this week:

April 22 Ahana Leffler April 22 Joy O'Shea

Anniversaries this Week:

April 24 Harvey and Jan Leffler

There is power in prayer!

Looking around in our community, and in our world, we can see changes every day. There are so many positive changes that happen. It is through the power of prayer, through our conversations with God that always make opportunities happen. In this time of discernment, let us all continue to turn to God in prayer in calling a new pastor.

God is calling us to be creative and openminded in this time of discernment.

Pastor Laurie O'Shea

Please keep in your prayers:

- For those who are homebound, hospitalized or battling illness, especially: Pat Koplin, Sharon (Lynette Deuschle's mother), Twila and Lupe at Benjamin Square, Rose Fousts, Laurie Frick, Peggy Thompson (Rose's SIL), Jack Cazer, Manuela Avalos.
- For our Church, Council, Call Committee and partnership with Shepherd of the Valley Church, our Synod and for a new Pastor.
- For our Community, our World and all their leaders.

Faith's Outreach Programs

- * **Meals on Wheels** We need drivers to deliver to Eaton residents and food prep in Greeley store. Contact Nomie Ketterling (970-381-3417)
- * *Greeley Interfaith Clothing bank* Faith volunteers on the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays. Clothing drop box is in the Narthex under the mailboxes. Contact Rose Thompson 970-590-5099 *Clothing Bank desperately needs volunteers*.
- * **Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry** There is a need for volunteers to provide a meal for their Sunday evening dinner & student worships. Contact Jen Leffler, 970-301-3489
- *The Ault food pantry A donation box is located under the mailboxes in the Narthex.
- *Guadalupe Center Volunteers needed for Lunch/Dinner Service, Client-facing projects and at the Distribution Center. Contact Lindsey Schwartz at 970-616-8606.

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Study Ahead for April 27, 2025:

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32 Psalm: Psalm 118:14-29

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4-8

Gospel: John 20:19-31

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Amy Deuschle is going on a Mission trip to Costa Rica this summer. She is looking for prayer and financial support. Forms are in the Narthex.

Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)

- Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.
- ² Let Israel now declare,
 - "God's mercy endures forever."
- ¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.
- ¹⁵ Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
 - "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!
 - ¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

 The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
 - ¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.
 - ¹⁸ The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.
 - ¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.
 - ²⁰ "This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."
 - ²¹ I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become | my salvation.
 - ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
 - ²³ By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.
 - ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Faith Facts

Faith Calendar for April / May

April 17 - 6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service

April 18 – 6:30 p.m. – Good Friday Service

April 20 – 9 a.m. – Easter Brunch and Children's Egg Hunt

April 27 - 9:50 a.m. - Children's Sunday School

April 27 – After Service – OPEN HOUSE for new Preschool Nursery. All are invited!

May 4 – 9:50 a.m. – Children's Sunday School

May 5 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects

May 11 – 9 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

May 11 – 9:50 a.m. – Children's Sunday School

May 12 - 10 a.m. - Council Meeting

May 14 - 1 p.m. - Ladies' Bible Study

May 16 – 4-5 p.m. – UPK Preschool Graduation

May 18 - 9:50 a.m. - Children's Sunday School

May 19 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects

May 25 – 9 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

May 25 – 9:50 a.m. - Children's Sunday School

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#### **SECRETARY WANTED!**

Faith Council would like to thank Deb Patton for many years as our church secretary. We are looking for a new church secretary, for 5 or 6 hours - one day a week. It is a paid position. Duties include creating and printing the weekly bulletin, sending out newsletters, keeping up the church directory and assist the Pastor with other duties. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact a council member.