

Redeemer REVIEW



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from the Pastor...

Rev. Donald Jordan

WE CELEBRATE SUFFERING

A merry Lent to all of you as we ponder, reflect, give thanks, and celebrate the passion of our Lord Jesus and all that he suffered and endured for us and our salvation.

Yes, Lent is a time of forty days to read and hear about the suffering of Jesus as told in the Gospels. He was tempted. He was mocked. He was struck. He was rejected. He was whipped. He was painfully and horribly nailed to a cross. He suffered great agony and humility, hanging naked, stripped of all dignity and worth.

We celebrate the suffering of Jesus for us because by his cross we are healed, we are forgiven, and we are saved by grace through faith in Him.

But, what about this matter of suffering? You've heard the argument, "If there is a God, then why does suffering exist and why does He allow it?"

Without God, suffering does not make sense? Without suffering, God does not make sense. Wrap your mind around these two thoughts.

If God did not exist, there would be no humanity. God created Adam and Eve, thus creating all human beings. If there was no humanity there would be no original sin. Sin entered the world through Adam and Eve. If there were no original sin, there would be no purpose to suffering and humanity would be like another neutral being, much like an animal, which has no soul. But if there were no purpose to suffering and even if suffering could theoretically be eliminated, there would be no



purpose for even the concept of God. Death could be solved and should have been solved by now, after all these years of medical advances.

But humanity is not a neutral creature, so our suffering must mean that God exists. Because we cannot eliminate suffering and death, and we are most often the cause of it. We are a rebellious creature living in God's creation.

Many people want to live in a world where suffering does not exist. Atheism must deny suffering and deny the only way to make sense of it.

God suffered. God suffered in the person of Jesus Christ to invite you into his sufferings, death, and resurrection.

So, if you ask, "If there is a God then why does suffering exist?" that is the same as asking, "If there is a God, then why did he suffer like that for me?"

These are weighty and perplexing questions. These questions supply the evidence and reason for God's love shown to me in the person and work of Jesus Christ.

Ultimately, we are at a loss for words as we address the heavy and philosophical issues related to suffering and, finally, death. It is all too much for us to handle.

Yet, we celebrate and lift high the cross of Jesus this Lent, as we prepare for the resurrection. We celebrate and give our joyful thanks to the Lord that he suffered for my sake.

Pastor Jordan



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MERCY/HEALTH MINISTRY



Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. This could be a little girl in the ICU or a mother with stage 3 leukemia. If you're worried about needles, don't be. Most blood donors compare the experience to a mild, split-second pinch! The entire process is very safe and very fast, and you will feel amazing knowing you potentially saved up to three people.

Make blood donations at VITALANT, 893-5433 or www.vitalant.org. Donors must be in good health, weigh at least 110# and be well hydrated. There is no upper age limit.

MERCY SERVANTS

Approximately eight members are serving as mercy servants. They continue to regularly visit the homebound and ill members, as well as non-members. Cards are mailed to post-surgery and ill members. Phone calls are made to visit and set up appointment times. There are many that are lonely and need the human connection. Anyone wishing to participate in this endeavor, is asked to call the church office and you will be connected with a servant who will assist you. All mercy work is only done to the Glory of God!

WALKING FOR EXERCISE

1. Set aside a specific time of day to walk. Choose a time when you are usually not tired.
2. Try to walk every other day.
3. Wear comfortable socks and supportive shoes that fit well.
4. Before starting your walk, warm up the muscles you will be using by doing low-level stretching for a few minutes.
5. Start walking within your comfort range. Walking should not cause pain or stiffness, nor should it make you feel breathless or off balance.
6. Try to walk a little farther and a little faster each week, but do not increase your distance or pace more than once a week.
7. If you have problems such as chest discomfort, shortness of breath, or leg pain, do not increase your distance or pace without first talking to your doctor .
8. After walking, stretch your muscles again for a few minutes.
9. Delay your post-exercise shower until you reach your resting heart rate.
10. ENJOY WALKING

FIRST AID/MEDICAL

Are you trained and certified in Basic Life Support, CPR, AED, or First Aid? We have a first aid kit in the narthex, parish hall, and van. There are two AEDs, one in the parish hall and one in the narthex. We are striving to improve our medical response and training by identifying those with these skills.



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DIGITAL DAILY DEVOTIONS

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<https://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions>

Higher Things:

<https://higherthings.org/content#reflections>

Portals of Prayer:

<https://www.l.cph.org/portals/default.aspx>

PASTOR ON THE RADIO

Pastor Jordan is a regular guest on "Live Talk with Jerry Olenyn" every Friday on KKXX radio. 8:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. AM 930, FM 103.9 www.tunein.com



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TECHNOLOGY



Technology encouraging...

Think outside of using your technology for work or school: Does your technology help you redeem your time or is it often a time waster? Do you find encouragement from various applications or are they mostly mind numbing entertainment?

And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. (Deut 6: 6-7 ESV)

“Have you talked about current events with your kids?”

This is the opening sentence of a great article from the CPH Blog Everyday Faith Calendar for April. Rather than paraphrasing this excellent article from Kyla Rodriguez here is the link:

https://blog.cph.org/serve/current-events-april-2022-everyday-faith-calendar?utm_campaign=CPH%20Blog%20Posts&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=207281762&_hsenc=p2ANqtz--9lmk146i7swEbG3lLtvWT7Yylwgt0jEcshVX8Ogs3nXbmJf3V6CaYqdWiZ5O6ZwWtgqngF4KX8GOfTotfZJpclZFrWQ&utm_content=207281762&utm_source=hs_email

In closing, the last paragraph of this article is worth repeating:

“Talking about current events with your kids is an opportunity to practice sharing your faith. It is also an opportunity to point your children to the Gospel and our deep need for the Savior, Jesus Christ. It is an opportunity to lament the brokenness of this world, teach your children to pray, and celebrate what we have to look forward to in the new heaven and the new earth.”



Bible Gateway is an app for your phone or tablet that can indeed help you redeem your time. The basic app is free but there is also an extended version for \$3.99 per month if you are looking for more content.

- When you open the app there is a daily verse in the translation you have chosen from the settings menu. This can be a daily nugget to ponder.
- You can set up a daily reading plan.
- You can search for a verse you are trying to locate in scripture.
- There are various resources such as note taking, highlighting, saving favorite verses.
- You can open Bible Gateway on your computer as well and anything you add, such as a note, is saved across devices.
- Audio Bible is available through the app on your phone or tablet as well as on your computer. This feature is great when you are waiting in line, caught in a traffic jam or perhaps out for a walk. You might want to keep some ear buds handy.

Consider using this app as a means to redeeming not wasting your time and using technology as a godly tool.



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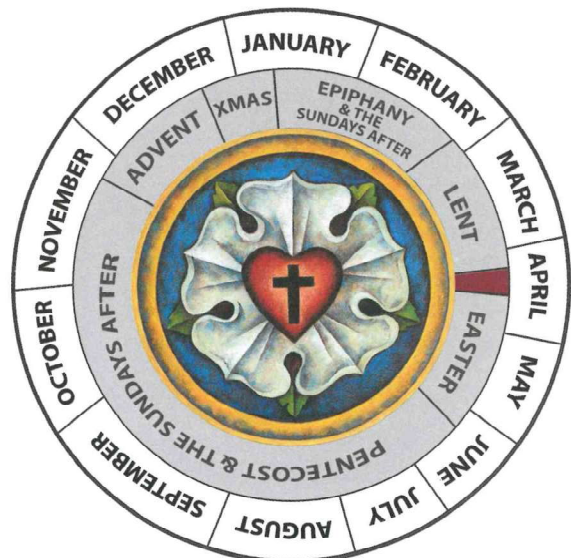
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- 3Q Lutheran Heritage Foundation; Lutheran Deaf Ministry, Pastor Seeger
- 4Q Women's Resource Clinic,; KKXX Sermons; The Lutheran Hour; Issues, Etc.

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THE TIME OF EASTER HOLY WEEK



The week before Easter is called Holy Week. Our Lenten preparation and repentance deepens as we focus on the events of Jesus' life from His entrance into Jerusalem until His death on the cross and burial in the garden tomb.

Palm Sunday, the first day of Holy Week, commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1–11). Because the complete account of the Lord's Passion from Matthew, Mark, or Luke is often read, this Sunday is also called the Sunday of the Passion.

On Holy (Maundy) Thursday, the Church gives thanks to Jesus for the institution of His Supper. This is a feast day, and the color used to decorate the church is white. The Holy Thursday service closes with the stripping of the altar. This reminds us of how our Lord stripped to the waist to wash His disciples' feet—and how He was stripped and beaten before His crucifixion.

Good Friday is the most solemn of all days in the Christian Church; yet a note of joy remains, as the title of the day indicates. On Good Friday, as we remember that on account of our sin the Lord was crucified

and died, we give joyful thanks to God that all sin and God's wrath over sin falls on Jesus and not on us, and that by His grace we receive the benefit of this most sacrificial act.

**During Holy Week, we worship our Lord,
who gave His life for us.**

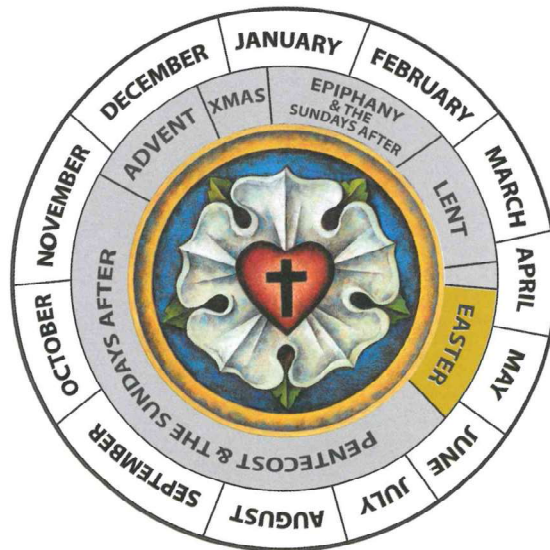
Matthew 26–27 Mark 14–15 Luke 22–23 John 18–19

HOLY WEEK PRACTICES AND TRADITIONS

- ◆ In many churches, the color for Holy Week continues to be violet. In others, the color is scarlet, a deep blood red. Scarlet reminds us of Jesus' blood shed as He suffered and died for our sins.
- ◆ Many congregations read the Passion narrative during special midweek services of Lent. But on each day of Holy Week, the whole story of the events leading to Jesus' death and burial is read from a single Gospel.
- ◆ While in Lent, we forego using the joyous Alleluia response, and we do not sing the Gloria in Excelsis. In Holy Week, we go a step further as we give up singing the Gloria Patri—our joyous praise to the Trinity at the end of all the Psalms we use in worship. Omitting these joyous words makes our worship even more reserved and somber.
- ◆ Many churches observe Holy Week by gathering for special services throughout the week.

THE TIME OF EASTER EASTER AND ITS SEASON

*Begins with evening prayer on Holy Saturday
and ends with midday prayer on Pentecost.*



Easter is not merely a one-day celebration; it is a fifty-day season from the Day of the Resurrection of Our Lord to the Day of Pentecost. This extended season—one seventh of the year—is a victory celebration, a time for all Christians to proclaim boldly their faith in a risen and victorious Savior.

The first celebration of Easter is the Easter Vigil, the evening of Holy Saturday. The Vigil includes a service of light, in which fire symbolizes Jesus as the light of the world. The service is designed to take the Christian from the solemnity of Good Friday to the predawn joy of Easter.

Easter is the richest and most lavishly celebrated festival of the Church Year. Congregations may hold a sunrise service, commemorating the surprise of the women visiting the empty tomb of Christ, as well as services that celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. While not as lavish, this joyous and celebratory tone echoes down through the Sundays of the Easter season.

Forty days after Easter, the Church celebrates the Ascension of Our Lord, who ascended into heaven not only as God but also as man. The final Sunday of the Easter season, celebrated as Pentecost, was adopted by early Christians to commemorate the first great harvest of believers for Christ. Thus, Pentecost is the birthday of the Christian Church, as the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples and they gave their compelling witness about the resurrected Lord. The color for the Day for Pentecost is red, representing fire and blood. Red recalls the tongues of fire received on the first Pentecost and the martyrs who shed their blood for the faith.

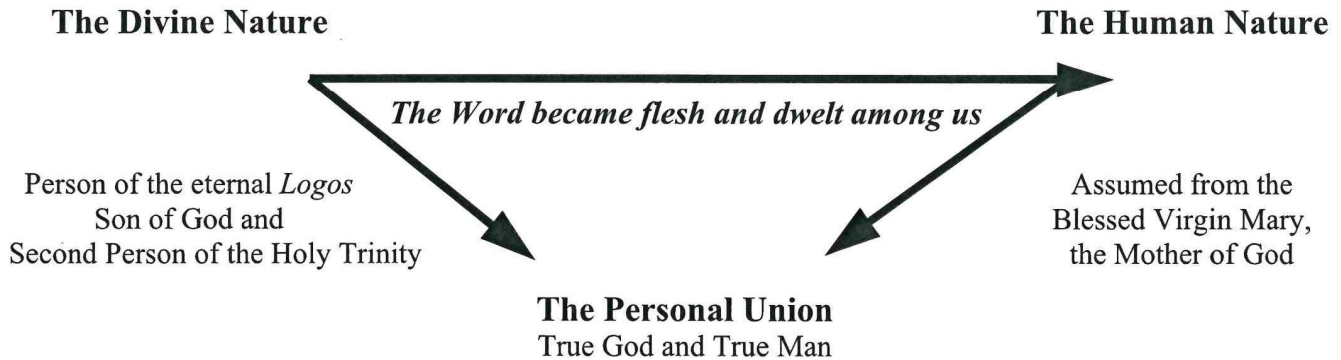
During Easter, we rejoice in our salvation.

Matthew 28 Luke 24
John 12:24–25; 20:1–29; 21:1–14 Acts 1:6–11; 2:1–4

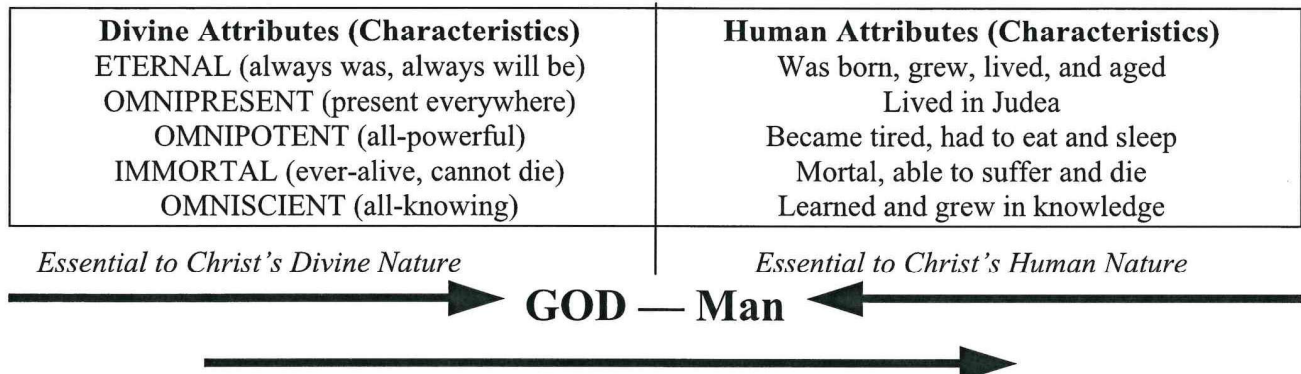
EASTER PRACTICES AND TRADITIONS

- ◆ The colors of Easter are white and gold. White, the color our Lord's holiness, is everywhere on Easter, from the paraments and vestments to the traditional Easter lilies. Gold decorations remind us that our resurrection life in Christ is precious and eternal.
- ◆ After a long absence in Lent, *Alleluia* returns at Easter and is heard everywhere in the propers appointed for the weeks after Easter. Also, the joyous Hymn of Praise and the Gloria Patri return and are sung as part of the liturgy once again.
- ◆ During the Easter season, we greet one another with a special Easter greeting and response: "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" "He is risen indeed! Alleluia!"

The Communication of Attributes in the Person of Christ



1. Each nature has its own essential characteristics. They are shared in the same Person. The Son of God is human because He was born, lives, grows, gets tired, must eat and sleep, suffers, and dies. The Son of God is divine because He is eternal, all-powerful, all-knowing, immortal.



2. Divine characteristics are transferred to the human nature by virtue of the Personal Union. We can say Jesus the Man is all-powerful, all-knowing, etc., because He is the God-Man. So He could know people's thoughts, perform miracles, etc. But the human characteristics are not transferred to the divine nature.

3. All that Jesus is — God and Man — works together for our salvation.

The Two Natures are truly and inseparably joined in the Personal Union without being mingled, changed: unconfusedly unchangeably indivisibly inseparably

Neither flesh outside word, nor word outside flesh

A Brief Definition of the Communication of Attributes (Characteristics)

1. The attributes of the human nature and the attributes of the divine nature are shared in the same person but are not essential to both natures. Each nature has its own essential attributes. (*Genus Idiomaticum*)
2. The Divine attributes are transferred to the human nature by virtue of the Personal Union. But they never become an essential attribute of the human nature. The communication is strictly one way. (*Genus Majestaticum*)
3. The full set of attributes work for our salvation. The redemption of mankind is accomplished by the theanthropic (God-Man) person of Jesus Christ. (*Genus Apotelesmaticum*)

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LECTIONARY SUMMARIES

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(3 April 2022)

Isaiah 43:16–21

Philippians 3:(4b–7) 8–14

Luke 20:9–20

GOD’S BELOVED SON HAS REDEEMED US

Our life and works apart from Christ, no matter how they may glitter to the eyes of the world, are ultimately rubbish and have no righteousness. Rather, in the scandalous cross of Jesus, we find our righteousness alone “through faith in Christ” (Phil. 3:9). By such faith, we “know him and the power of his resurrection” (Phil. 3:10). For the same God who brought Israel out of Egypt has done a “new thing” for us in Christ Jesus (Is. 43:19). He has sent His beloved Son into His vineyard to be killed by sinful men and to become “the stone that the builders rejected.” Yet, the One rejected by men “has become the cornerstone” of His Church (Luke 20:17). Through the waters of Holy Baptism, He provides us daily refreshment in our earthly pilgrimage, “a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert” (Is. 43:19).

PALM SUNDAY / SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

(10 April 2022)

John 12:12–19 (Palm Sunday Procession)

Deuteronomy 32:36–39

Philippians 2:5–11

Luke 22:1–23:56 or Luke 23:1–56 or John 12:20–43

THE CROSS AND PASSION OF OUR LORD ARE THE HOUR OF HIS GLORY

The King of Israel comes into His royal glory by the path of humble obedience “to the point of death, even death on a cross” (Phil. 2:8). He “goes as it has been determined” (Luke 22:22), according to the Scriptures, willingly submitting to His Father’s plan for the salvation of sinners. “Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name” (Phil. 2:9). His suffering and death open the way of repentance for the forgiveness of sins because He goes to the cross bearing the sins of the world. In His resurrection, God the Father vindicates His people and has compassion on His servants (Deut. 32:36). He kills to make alive; He wounds in order to heal. In remembrance of Him, we praise God, confessing “that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Phil. 2:11).

HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY (14 April 2022)

Jeremiah 31:31–34 or Exodus 12:1–14

Hebrews 10:15–25 or 1 Corinthians 11:23–32

Luke 22:7–20 or John 13:1–17, 31b–35

LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER, AS CHRIST JESUS HAS LOVED US

By Holy Baptism, “with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water” (Heb. 10:22), we enter the holy place with Jesus. For Jesus is our Passover Lamb who has been sacrificed for us. He reclines at table with us and feeds us with His own flesh and blood: “the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain” (Heb. 10:20). In Christ, the Lord remembers us in mercy and remembers our sin no more; He forgives us all our iniquity (Jer. 31:34; Heb. 10:17). With such love, He “loved his own who were in the world,” and He even loves us “to the end” (John 13:1). As He washes us and feeds us in love, let us love one another, just as He has loved us (John 13:34).

GOOD FRIDAY

(15 April 2022)

Isaiah 52:13–53:12

Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9

John 18:1–19:42 or John 19:17–30

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD, WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD

Jesus, the Lamb of God, is led to the slaughter of His cross as the sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the world. “Despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief” (Is. 53:3), He is the righteous Servant who justifies many by His innocent suffering and death. He bears our griefs and carries our sorrows; He is wounded for our transgressions; He is crushed for our iniquities; He suffers our chastisement, so that “with his wounds we are healed” (Is. 53:4–5). As the Son of God, He fulfills the Law for us in human flesh, and so fulfills the Scriptures (John 19:7, 24). In perfect faith and faithfulness, He shares all our weaknesses and temptations, “yet without sin” (Heb. 4:15), and as our merciful High Priest, He brings us to the Father in peace.

HOLY SATURDAY

(16 April 2022)

Daniel 6:1–24

1 Peter 4:1–8

Matthew 27:57–66

WE LIVE AND LOVE IN THE PEACE AND PROMISE OF THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST JESUS

The disciples of Christ Jesus, like St. Joseph of Arimathea, deal in love with the body of Christ, in the sure and certain promise of the resurrection (Matt. 27:57–60). For they also remember what He said, that after three days He would rise, though His enemies conspire against Him and seek to thwart Him (Matt. 27:63). Indeed, we find a type and promise of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ already in the prophet Daniel. For he was blameless and faithful, and “an excellent spirit was in him” (Dan. 6:3–4, 22). Although he was accused and delivered over to death, the Lord preserved his life and raised him up in righteousness, “because he had trusted in his God” (Dan. 6:23). So let us also pray and give thanks to God (Dan. 6:10), finding peace and Sabbath rest in Jesus Christ. And knowing that “the end of all things is at hand,” let us be “self-controlled and sober-minded,” and “keep loving one another earnestly” (1 Peter 4:7–8).

ADORATION OF THE MYSTIC LAMB

The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb, the Ghent altarpiece (1432), now proclaims Christ in Pastor Jordan’s study.



Thank you to the donor of this gift of beautiful Christian art.

EASTER DAY

(17 April 2022)

Isaiah 65:17–25

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

Luke 24:1–12

CHRIST’S RESURRECTION IS THE FIRSTFRUITS OF THE NEW CREATION

The Lord has promised to “create new heavens and a new earth” (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are “the offspring of the blessed of the LORD” (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For “if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied” (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, “the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep” (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be “perplexed about this” (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an “idle tale” (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(24 April 2022)**

Acts 5:12–20 (21–32)

Revelation 1:4–18

John 20:19–31

That You May Believe and Have Life in His Name

On the Lord’s Day, St. John the apostle was given a revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God, the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. He is the Living One, “the firstborn of the dead” (Rev. 1:5). He died for all people, and behold, He is alive forevermore! Therefore, He has “the keys of Death and Hades” (Rev. 1:18). For His death atoned for sin and conquered death, and in His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to us. The “sharp two-edged sword” of His mouth (Rev. 1:16) calls you to “believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,” that by such faith “you may have life in his name” (John 20:31). To that end, He sends His ministers of the Word, as the Father sent Him, “to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins” (Acts 5:31).



REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
THE TIME OF EASTER - LENTEN SEASON



LENT MIDWEEK WEDNESDAY
12:00 Noon

April 6 Sermon: "Knowing Him and the Power of His Resurrection"
Philippians 3

PALM SUNDAY

April 10, Divine Service 10:00 a.m.

Sermon: "The Hour of Jesus' Glory" Luke 22

HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY

April 14, Divine Service 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Sermon: "Love One Another as I Have Loved You" John 13
No Bible Class

GOOD FRIDAY

April 15, Chief Service 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Sermon: "Behold the Lamb of God" Isaiah 53

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD - EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, Easter Breakfast & Flowering of the Cross, 9:00 a.m.

Divine Service, 10:00 a.m.

Sermon: "The New Creation" Luke 24

Divine Service, Saturday, April 23, 5:00 p.m.



We will host the LCMS riders in the Chico Wildflower bicycle ride and welcome them to a special Divine Service. All are welcome. Come, and partake of the Lord's gifts in Word and Sacrament. Several brothers and sisters from Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Rocklin will attend.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD'S BIRTHDAY

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod celebrates its birthday on April 26. Initial members, which included 12 pastors representing 14 congregations from Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Michigan, New York and Ohio, signed the church body's constitution on April 26, 1847, at First Saint Paul Lutheran Church in Chicago, Ill.



Originally named The German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and Other States, the name was shortened to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in 1947 on the occasion of our 100th anniversary.

The roots of the LCMS run deep, tracing back to Saxon and other German immigrants establishing a new church body in America, seeking the freedom to practice and follow confessional Lutheranism.

Website: <https://www.lcms.org/aboutus/history>

NEW BOOKOFCONCORD.ORG SITE UP AND RUNNING

A few weeks ago we announced that Steadfast Lutherans had been asked to take over management of bookofconcord.org. At that time we had to revert the site back to a throwback version. After some weeks of labor, the site is back up to a new, updated version. Go and check it out.

This first edition of the update is just that, a first edition. There are functions and features that are already scheduled to be done on the new site in the weeks and months to come. This site will help preserve the Book of Concord online for years to come.

For those of you who enjoyed using the old version originally developed by Mr. Norm Fisher with Paul McCain, we have the throwback version at Bookofconcord.info for your use.

Many thanks go our development team – Rev. Matthew Dent, Mr. Chris Geu, and Mr. Remy Sheppard. Also thanks belong to the family/estate of Paul McCain, who requested Steadfast to take back management of the site.

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CLINIC WALK FOR LIFE

Women's Resource Clinic's Walk for Life, Saturday, April 23, 2022. One Mile Recreation Area, Bidwell Park. Registration, 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Walk starts at 10:30 a.m. Lunch for registered walkers, 11:30 a.m. Children are welcome to bounce house, face painting, crafts. Prizes offered. Bring your family for a great day. Registration and virtual fundraising, partner.womensresourceclinic.org

Pastor Jordan will be walking and is seeking sponsors. His goal is \$2,500. \$565 has been pledged. Sign up in the narthex, parish hall, or contact him.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Our new Lutheran Women's Missionary League Mission Statement is meant to help us focus on what we as Lutheran Women in Mission are motivated to do. That is, “To joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.” Our local Mary/Martha Society is not active at the present time, but many wish to support mission projects and continue to contribute to the offering box that is visible in the narthex.



The 15th and 16th grants have been funded. *Wheels on the Bus*, the 15th, is a tutoring program serving 20 students outside the congregation weekly. It is sponsored by St. Luke's Ruth Guild in Reno. The program has been in operation since 2013. It is a tutoring/mentoring program mission based with a strong gospel component. Grant money of \$10,000 is being used to retrofit their old van.

The 16th grant funded is sponsored by Mary/Martha LWML, Trinity, Georgetown, California and titled *CNH Pastoral Care*. \$2,500 is given in appreciation and emergency compassion to LWML, counselors and their families working two or more jobs for their local congregation, zone, or district

Thank you to all who are supporting the funding of these grants regularly.



Altar Guild requests that lilies to beautify the sanctuary on Easter Sunday be brought to the sacristy by Saturday, April 16, 9a.m. Orders will not be taken by Altar Guild, but if you need assistance in purchasing a lily, please speak to Lori Jordan and an Altar Guild member will be happy to help.

YOUR PHOTOS ARE NEEDED



Submit current photos of yourself or family for the directory to the office manager, at

redemerchicooffice@gmail.com.

Or come by during office hours and Jackie will be happy to take your picture.

NEWBORN/NEWLY BAPTIZED



CARSON BENJAMIN VANDERMATE
son of Benjamin and Lacey Vandermate

born on March 21 and reborn in Holy Baptism on March 23.

REDEEMER FINANCIAL SUMMARY

January 1, 2022 - February 28, 2022

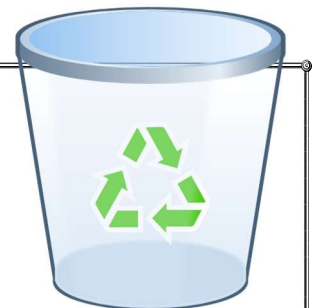
INCOME/EXPENSE – ACTUAL:

ORDINARY INCOME:	\$ 23,009.67
EXPENSES:	\$ <u>30,281.88</u>
NET ORDINARY INCOME	\$ -7,272.21
FACILITY RENT INCOME	\$ 0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ -7,272.21
RETAINED EARNINGS	\$ <u>59,361.41</u>

CRV RECYCLE

- Separate plastic bottles, with the lids removed, from aluminum cans and place in separate plastic bags.
- Opaque bottles should be separated from clear bottles.
- Place bags in the appropriate bins in the Parish Hall storage closet.
- **NO** Glass, non-CRV, or paper waste.

Proceeds go to the Charity Fund.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mar 27	28	29	30	31	Apr 1	2
3 Fifth Sunday in Lent 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship (PH)	4 8:00am Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	5 8:00am Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	6 Fifth Wednesday in Lent Lucas Cranach and Albrecht Durer 12:00pm Lent Matins	7 9:30am Bible Class	8 8:00am Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	9 8:00am Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX
10 Palm Sunday - Sunday of the Passion 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship (PH)	11 8:00am Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	12 8:00am Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	13	14 Holy Thursday 12:00pm Holy Thursday Divine Service 7:00pm Divine Service	15 Good Friday 8:00am Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 12:00pm Good Friday Chief Service 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX 7:00pm Good Friday	16
17 The Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter Day 9:00am Easter Breakfast and the Flowering of the Cross 10:00am Divine Service	18 8:00am Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	19	20 Johannes Bugenhagen, Pastor Newsletter Deadline	21 Anselm of Canterbury, Theologian 9:30am Bible Class	22 8:00am Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	23 10:30am Walk for Life 5:00pm Divine Service
24 Johann Walter, Kantor Second Sunday of Easter 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship (PH)	25 St. Mark, Evangelist 8:00am Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	26	27	28 9:30am Bible Class	29 8:00am Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	30

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Our Mission Statement

Welcome to Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, a community of believers saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

As a people enabled by the Spirit, we are committed to regular worship and the use of the sacraments, studying and teaching the Bible, praying, using our gifts and talents in God's service, for the caring and nurturing of others and sharing the message of God's salvation so that God is glorified and all people may know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

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