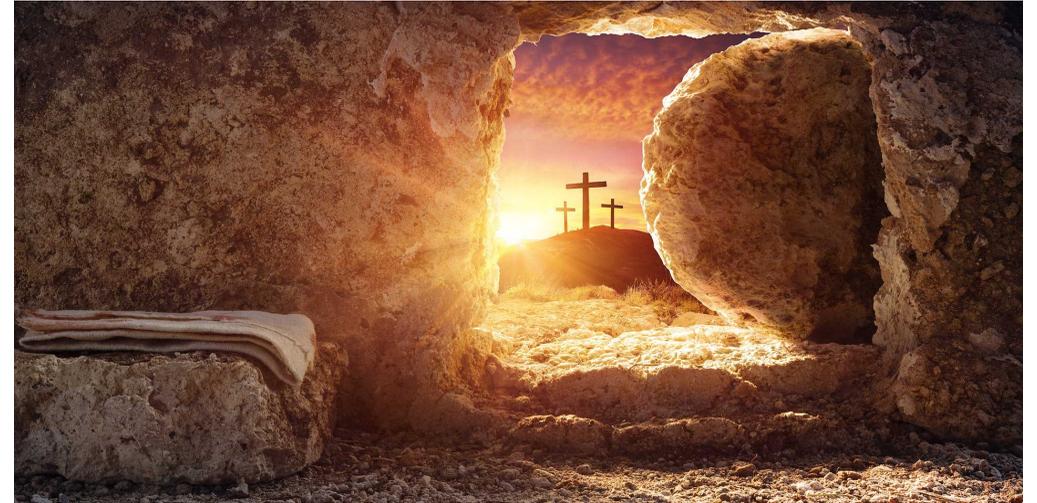


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Anne Schulze	The Osterlinck Family
Pam Hoekstra	Our OFLC Family
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Easter

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WELCOME TO OFLC!

We are pleased that you decided to join us in worship this morning. We hope you'll feel at home here, and God's presence! We have a few helpful notes for you on the service to do that:

All hymns are in the red hymnal in the pew in front of you, or under your pew seat. You can find them using the number next to the hymn in the order of service.

The **bold** text indicates parts of the service where the whole congregation is invited to speak together.

Communion is celebrated using small, disposable kits with a wafer and juice. We are currently celebrating communion together at the rail, but if it feels safer, you also have the option to take communion in your pew. The pastor or worship leader will give more direction at that time.

Offering is not required to be with us in worship today, but we greatly appreciate any contribution you wish to make! If you wish to do so, you can place it in the basket at the end of your pew, or in the plate at the back of the sanctuary. If you need assistance, a service coordinator will be happy to help you!

Here at OFLC, we don't have pre-scheduled worship assistants. We allow folks to help out as the Spirit leads them, and that includes visitors as well! If you'd like to take part in worship, please see Pastor Aaron or a service coordinator before the service and they'll be happy to involve you!

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THIS WEEK AT OFLC:

Monday:

Sewing & Quilting Group: 9am

Tuesday:

Women's Bible Study (online): 10-11am
Council Led Workshop: 7pm

Wednesday:

Sewing & Quilting Group: 9am
Engage & Confirm (5th-9th grades): 6-7pm
Bell Choir: 5:30-6:30
Choir: 6:30-7:30

Saturday:

SPRING CLEANUP & BBQ of OFLC grounds & Church: 10a-2p

Sunday:

Morning Worship: 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:00 am
Kidz choir 10:00 am

Interested in getting more news about what's going on at Our Father's Lutheran? Contact our church office at 763-477-6300 or office@ourfatherschurch.org to be added to our monthly and weekly newsletters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING & SENDING

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.**

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God!**

*All are welcome to join us in the fellowship hall for breakfast served by our
Confirmation families!*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & INSTRUCTIONS

EASTER LITANY

L: He is risen!

A: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: He is risen, and this is good news! Yet it is not just Christ that has been resurrected. Our weary bodies are raised from the frantic pace of life. Our sad and heavy hearts are raised to joy. Our deadened spirits, renewed with the hope of what can be. Christ is risen so that in our new life we might raise up others.

A: This is good news, indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING SONG **CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY** *(lead by choir)*

Christ the Lord is risen today, Al-le-lu-ia! All creation join to say Al-le-lu-ia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Al-le-lu-ia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Al-le-lu-ia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Al-le-lu-ia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Al-le-lu-ia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Al-le-lu-ia! Christ has opened paradise. Al-le-lu-ia!

Lives again our glorious King, Al-le-lu-ia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al-le-lu-ia! Once he died our souls to save, Al-le-lu-ia! Where thy victory O grave? Al-le-lu-ia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Al-le-lu-ia! Following our exalted Head, Al-le-lu-ia! Made like him, like him we rise, Al-le-lu-ia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al-le-lu-ia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We give thanks that on this day, we proclaim Christ risen. Death and fear no longer reign as we hear your Word and celebrate this good news for the world. In Jesus Christ, our LORD. **AMEN**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN'S BELLS

**Be not afraid, sing out for joy! Christ has risen, alleluia!
Be not afraid, sing out for joy! Christ has risen, alleluia!**

+ GOSPEL LUKE 24:1-12

P: The Gospel, according to St. Luke.

A: Glory to you, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with 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; he is risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: "The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'" Then they remembered his words. When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

P: This is the Gospel of our LORD.

A: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

MUSIC MINISTRY/GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

During this time, if you wish to make a contribution to today's offering, you may do so by placing it in the basket at the outside end of the pew, and passing it to the inside of the pew, closest to the center of the sanctuary. Service coordinators will collect the offering and bring to the front at the conclusion of music ministry.

EASTER

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done 366

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
- 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yaw - ning gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed you, from death's sting free your

tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Poet, 1833-1909
Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525-1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823-1889

VICTORY
♩ ♪ ♫ with alleluias

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

OFLC, we practice an open table. All are welcome to participate in receiving communion, for it is the Lord's Table, and the grace given through these communion elements is given freely by God. In this time of COVID, we are using prepackaged communion elements. The Pastor will give instructions as we observe the Sacrament safely. If you did not pick up a communion kit or need assistance with yours, please raise your hand when directed by the Pastor and one of our Worship Coordinators will assist you.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Worship Assistant: The Lord is our strength and our might, God has become our salvation. (Psalm 118) Trusting in this assurance, let us lift up prayers for the world, all of creation, and all people according to their need.

Worship Assistant: [reads aloud requests made by people this week]

Let us lift up any other prayers, spoken aloud, or silently within our hearts.

Pastor: Lord, you search us and know us. May our prayers rise to you so that we and all people may live, assured of your promises. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

Pastor:

It is at all times and in all places.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

COMMUNION PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION