



Third Sunday of Easter

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor

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Hearing God's Call & Responding in Love,
We Share Jesus With All!

FROM PASTOR ED

The Easter season continues with another of Jesus' resurrection appearances. Was Jesus truly raised from the dead or was it some kind of a trick, was it just a spiritual event, or did he who was once dead actually come back to life? The promise of Easter is that not only was Christ truly raised, but that all who believe in his name will have eternal life, real, abundant and never ending life. In these days when so much seems in doubt, when everything seems to be up for grabs, it is this we hold on to, this we proclaim and this that we share with the whole world.

OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:

To join a worship service, contact the church office for the link.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

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Prelude

Siciliano, J.S. Bach

Margo Strothmann

You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.

Welcome

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Congregation please stand

Easter Litany

P: To the disciples who still wondered whether he had risen, Christ Jesus said, "Peace be with you!"

C: **May the news of Christ's resurrection bring us peace.**

P: To the winds and the waves on the stormy Sea of Galilee, Christ Jesus said, "Peace! Be still!"

C: **May the power of our God in the midst of tribulation bring us peace.**

P: In his foretelling of the Holy Spirit yet to come on Pentecost, Christ Jesus said, "My peace I leave with you!"

C: **May the presence of the Holy Spirit in our hearts bring us peace.**

P: When Jesus revealed the message of the Gospel to his disciples gathered round, he said to them and to us, "I have told you these things so that you may have peace."

C: **May the words of Holy Scripture bring us peace.**

P: In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said to the masses, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

C: **May we be makers of peace, guided by our Prince of Peace.**

Confession and Forgiveness

P: The Lord is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed!**

P: Jesus Christ was the first to conquer death, the ruler of all the kings of the earth.

C: **He loves us, and by his blood he has set us free from our sins.**

P: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: **We confess that we are dead in our trespasses and sins. All we, like sheep, have gone astray, each turning to our own way. In your great mercy deliver us from the death we deserve, for the sake of Jesus Christ.**

P: According to the Father's command, the Good Shepherd laid down his life for the sheep, and has taken it up again.

C: **In him we have forgiveness, life, and resurrection from the dead. By him we are redeemed and set at liberty.**

P: If the Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from death, dwells in you, then he who raised Christ from death will also give life to your mortal bodies.

C: **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn (spoken) *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Liturgy (spoken)

Kyrie

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Canticle of Praise

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Prayer of the Day

All: Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Congregation may be seated

Anthem

Written in Red

Kent Choir

First Reading

Acts 3:12-19

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4 (congregation reads responsively)

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;

you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²**“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;**

how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?”

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;

the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and do not sin;**

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices,
and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶**Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"
Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.**

⁷You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-7

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Announcement

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Congregation please stand

Gospel Reading Luke 24:36b-48

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Congregation may be seated

Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day (spoken) *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

Congregation please stand

Profession of Faith—Apostle's Creed

**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 again 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.**

The Prayers

P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Congregation may be seated

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offering Prayer

All: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: 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;

who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

Holy, Holy, Holy (spoken)

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

Words of Institution

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.

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior.

Distribution (please open your communion packet)

P: The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

Congregation please stand

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Congregation may be seated

Announcements

Sending Hymn

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

The Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
 P: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude *Fantasie in c minor, J.S. Bach* Margo Strothmann

Fellowship Time EVERYONE IS WELCOME

WORSHIP LEADERS

PastorEd Foster
 Organist/PianistMargo Strothmann
 Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett
 Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

10:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Sheryl Boos
 Greeter/Usher..... Kathy & Larry Fair
 Lector..... Teri Stout
 Sound & Zoom Technician..... Al Mohling
 Coffee Fellowship..... Sharon & Bob Ballard

COMING THIS WEEK

April 18-25

Today	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Devotion
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Scholarship Reception (cake & coffee)

† Prayer Concerns †

OUR MEMBERS

Gary Wiles—health concerns
 Marsha Gust—recovering from surgery for a broken hip
 Stephanie Ballard—health concerns
 Ken Gerardy—health concerns

Christian condolences & hope are extended to Barry Fisher & his family on the death of Gerry on April 10; and to Wendy Blomberg, Pat & Joe Poretta, & their family on the death of Bill on April 14.

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Pat Bywaters—serious health concerns (friend of Dan & Tracy Garrett)
The Newtons—health concerns (friends of Bill & Wendy Blomberg)
Georgi Anne, Marsha Gust’s sister – serious health concerns
Sofia Steale, age 16—brain surgery for hydrocephalus (granddaughter, Anita Hohnecker)
Marcille Bohling – heart concerns (Eldeen Hanke’s sister)
Lisa Lind—continued brain cancer reduction (Kat Lacroix’s niece)
Jerry Green—serious health concerns (Carol Hanson’s brother)

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Delaney Brumm
J.C. Buck
Shirley Clark
Kelly Covey
Shirley Hamm
Marianne Howley
Linda Kimberling
Julie Patterson
Helen Pragman
Diane Reams
Sandy Robinson
Loren Saathoff
Pat Shank
Ellie Torres
Rose Marie Unrein
Joan Wilken
Clarion Winzenburg
Bob Worthley
Barb Yount

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock
Eric Blomberg
Ben Brammeier
Shade Bullock
Aaron Davis
Tanner Glodt
Kristine Hubbard
Jason Ites
Jason Judge
Nathan Karls
Adam Kralina
Matt Lee
Jordan Lindeman
Glenn Maddock
Tristan Morgan
Adam Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 18

WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Personal hearing assistance devices are available in

the sound room. We invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship (and donuts!) after the service. If you are visiting for the first time or searching for a church home, please include your address and phone number on the Red Friendship Pad and let us know. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor at the end of the service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Ray & Kat Lacroix in celebration of their 12th wedding anniversary today.

CARE CORE for April is Mary Evans, 816-506-7995.

GREATER LAKE AREA CHORALE IN CONCERT The Greater Lake Area Chorale will present their Spring concert at Kent Memorial on Sunday, May 9, at 2:00 p.m. A reception will follow the concert.

BLUE BOX IN MARCH In March you donated 87 items plus 104 cans of soup to Community for Christ. Thank you for your continued generosity!

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST Kent's week for volunteer help is May 4, 6 & 8. Those of you returning from your winter journey, please help those in need on Tue. May 4, Thur. May 6 and Sat. May 8. The store is featuring clothing for spring and summer. You may find something to add to your wardrobe! Please sign up to help those in our community. The April newsletter contains examples of families assisted this year. Thanks to all that have helped during fall and winter, thanks to all that will sign up for this next opportunity.

A TABLE between the main sets of doors into the church has individual communion servings, the latest newsletter, the phone directory, new daily devotional materials, and a lot more. Also, there is a basket for you to drop off your giving envelopes. If you need the door code, call Tracy in the church office, 573-374-5267, or on her cell at 214-206-5807. Or you may mail your offering to the church: Kent Memorial PO Box 155 Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

REMINDER--

- We are worshipping in-person again. We are also Zooming every service.
- Masks are requested when entering and leaving the church.
- Communion will be celebrated every Sunday with the pre-filled communion wafer/cup combination. You may stop by the church to pick one up for the on-line service.
- Bulletins are available in the entry during the week, beside the communion sets.
- Communication to members and friends will continue via weekly email blast concerning upcoming services and activities.

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL Our services are posted each week on Kent Memorial's YouTube channel. Go to YouTube.com, and search for "Kent Memorial Lutheran Church." Click on the red subscribe button and you'll be notified whenever something new is posted.