

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

24500 North Old McHenry Road • Hawthorn Woods, Illinois



Divine Service Setting One
THE 3RD SUNDAY OF
EASTER
APRIL 17 & 18, 2021

Welcome to St. Matthew!

We are pleased that you have come to worship the LORD with us today. Please introduce yourself to those around you, fill out a "We Care" card and turn it in after the service.

We are eager to share with you the hope we have in JESUS CHRIST. If you have no church home, we invite you to consider St. Matthew that home.

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The Sacrament Of The Altar is celebrated Sunday in the confidence that our Lord gives us His very body and blood to eat and drink “in,” “with” and “under” the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our union with Him and one another. As baptized Lutherans of the Missouri Synod, we trust His words, repent of all sin and by this act proclaim His death until He returns.

Since this act is a confession of our faith, anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt, or comes from a different Christian tradition or confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor or Deacon. Peace and Joy!

Reminders For Those Coming To The Lord's Table...

1. Those not yet receiving the Sacrament (both Children and Adults) are encouraged to cross their arms to receive a blessing.
2. The cups in the center of the individual tray (containing the amber color liquid) are alcohol free.
3. The distribution will be a Drive Thru Distribution in front of door 2 [Gym Entrance]. Only Individual Cups will be offered in this service.
4. Gluten-free hosts (wafers) are available upon request.

✠ In the Name of Jesus Christ ✠

PRELUDE

“At The Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”
Prelude on **“TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA”**

Jan Bender
Kenneth Kosche

SALUTATION OF THE BELLS

PASTORAL WELCOME

HYMN OF INVOCATION

“FATHER WELCOMES”

LSB 605

(Refrain)

**Father welcomes all His children
To His fam’ly through His Son.
Father giving His salvation,
Life forever has been won.**

**Little children, come to me,
For My kingdom is of these.
Life and love I have to give,
Mercy for your sin. (Refrain)**

**In the water, in the Word,
In His promise, be assured:
Those who are baptized and believe
Shall be born again. (Refrain)**

**Let us daily die to sin;
Let us daily rise with Him,
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,
Live in the peace of God. (Refrain)**

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

G But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

KYRIE

Mark 10:47

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A 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 mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

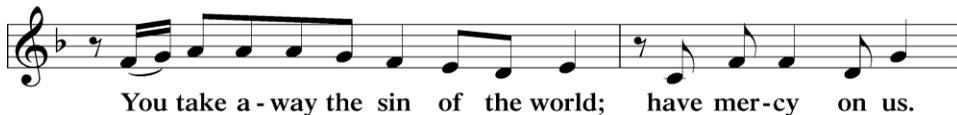
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



SALUTATION



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Easter 3B

P Together, let us pray to the Lord.

C **O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 3:11–21

¹¹While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, stounded. ¹²And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And his name—by faith in his name—has

made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. ¹⁷"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

L This is the Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who makes a practice of

sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning;

no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

L This is the Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

1 John 3:1–7

ALLELUIA

John 6:68

C Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:36–49

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and

see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵**Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,** ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be

proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

FEEDING OF THE LAMBS

SERMON HYMN

“When in the Hour of Deepest Need”

LSB 615

When in the hour of deepest need
We know not where to look for aid;
When days and nights of anxious thought
No help or counsel yet have brought,

Then is our comfort this alone
That we may meet before Your throne;
To You, O faithful God, we cry
For rescue in our misery.

For You have promised, Lord, to heed
Your children’s cries in time of need
Through Him whose name alone is great,
Our Savior and our advocate.

And so we come, O God, today
And all our woes before You lay;
For sorely tried, cast down, we stand,
Perplexed by fears on ev’ry hand.

O from our sins, Lord, turn Your face;
Absolve us through Your boundless grace.
Be with us in our anguish still;
Free us at last from ev’ry ill.

So we with all our hearts each day
To You our glad thanksgiving pay,
Then walk obedient to Your Word,
And now and ever praise You, Lord.

SERMON

Open Minds to Proclaim Christ

Luke 24:25-47

CREED

I believe in one God, the Father
Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the
only-begotten Son of God, begotten of

NICENE CREED

His Father before all worlds, God of
God, Light of Light, very God of very
God, begotten, not made, being of one
substance with the Father, by whom
all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

There are various methods by which one may contribute to the Mission & Ministry of the Lord here at St. Matthew:

1. At the **Service in the Sanctuary** you may place your offering and "We Care" Card into one of the offering plates in the Narthex;
2. You may **Mail your offerings** to the Church via the U.S. Postal Service;
3. You may use the **Pay Pal feature on Home page of the Website**; or
4. You may make an **automatic withdrawal** from your bank account.

Biblical Principles of Christian Stewardship #6 – Out of Love – 2 Corinthians 9:7

Let each one give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Each intercession ends with the words **P** *Lord, in Your Mercy,*
to which the congregation is asked to respond **C** **Hear our prayer.**

- P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- C** **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so 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 Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior to You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

- C** **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.**

PAX DOMINI

John 20:19

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

C 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



DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"The Strife Is O'er"

LSB 464

*(refrain)****Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the victor's triumph won;
Now be the song of praise begun.
Alleluia!

The pow'rs of death have done their worst,
But Christ their legions hath dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!

The three sad days have quickly sped,
He rises glorious from the dead.
All glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!

He broke the age-bound chains of hell;
The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.
Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee,
From death's dread sting Thy servants free
That we may live and sing to Thee.
Alleluia!

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Children Of the Heavenly Father"

LSB 725

Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

NUNC DIMITTIS

LUKE 2:29-32



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
- C** Amen.

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

HYMN TO DEPART **“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”** LSB 465: 1,4

**Now all the vault of heav’n resounds
In praise of love that still abounds:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
“Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!”
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heavn’ly blessed sing:
“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE **“LASST UNS ERFREUEN”** *Robert Hobby*

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† To GOD Alone Be All Glory †



April 2021

Saturday Evening Services Restart @ 5:30p.m.

May 2021

6th - National Day of Prayer

9th - Mother's Day

13th - Ascension Day Service - 7pm

Guest Speaker –Jeffery W. Leininger

23rd - Pastor Kinne's Retirement Celebration

30th - Unity Sunday / Baseball - 10:00am Service

31st - Memorial Day

June 2021

13th - Voters' Assembly, Noon

19th/20th - Guest Speaker—Rev. Seltz

20th - Father's Day

July 2021

4th - Independence Day

24th/25th - Guest Speaker - (TBD)

25th - Pastor Blonski's 25th Anniversary Celebration

25th - Golf "Fore" the Kids Golf Outing

26th –30th - Vacation Bible School

August 2021

8th - Pig Roast (TBD)

14th/15th - Guest Speaker, Rev. Dr. Allan Buss

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