

Third Sunday of Easter:
HE LIVES TO RESTORE MY HOPE
TEEN CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES

April 23rd, 2023

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We pray that you find comfort, peace, and motivation through God's Word today. In our worship bulletin, you will find an outline of **today's order of worship**. The entire service can be found in the hymnal, up on the screen on Sunday at St. John's and Emmanuel and livestreamed at www.stjohnsmontello.org and also at St. John's in the Lower Level.

At St. John's, the **restrooms** are located in the link way, out the church entry way, to the left and down the stairs. At Emmanuel, they are located in the Parish Hall. You may also find a **nursery changing station** in the lower level of St. John's.

TODAY'S THEME: *He Lives to Restore My Hope*

Imagine someone you love is near death. Their only hope of survival is a risky brain surgery, one so complicated only one surgeon in the state will attempt it. The surgery is scheduled. But as that doctor drives to the hospital, he is killed in a car accident. Any hope you had for your loved one's salvation died along with that surgeon. That is how Jesus' disciples felt after his death. "We hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel," they said (Luke 24:19). Their hope for a better life died along with Jesus. They had let their personal wants and expectations cloud their view of Scripture which said that the Messiah's death and resurrection were actually the source of all hope! So, the living Lord appeared to his disciples. He explained. He opened their minds to the truth of God's Word. And in doing so, he restored their hope. There is little worse than a feeling of hopelessness. Christ's disciples have victory over that feeling. He died, but he is dead no longer. The one who can heal us and give us life to the full lives! He lives to restore our hope

ORDER OF SERVICE: Setting One, with communion pp.154-170

HYMNS: 452, 459, 512, 510 (Hymns also posted on the screen)

PSALM: Psalm 116B "I Will Walk in the Presence of The LORD"

SERMON: 1 Peter 1:17-20 "Live As Strangers"

OPENING HYMN: 452 "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"

*Sunday at Emmanuel & St. John's Choir Sings: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs"

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal page 154 (also on the screen)

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 32-42

(The message of Christ crucified and Christ risen gives the certain hope of forgiveness to sinners.)

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ³²God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are

all witnesses of it. ³³Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. ³⁴For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, " 'The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand ³⁵until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet." ' ³⁶"Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah." ³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." ⁴⁰With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

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PSALM: Psalm 116B "I Will Walk in the Presence of the Lord"

Refrain



Tone



I love the LORD, for he / heard my voice;
he heard my cry for / mercy.
Because he turned his / ear to me,
I will call on him as long / as I live.
The LORD is gracious and / righteous;
when I was brought low, he / saved me. *Refrain*

What shall I return / to the LORD
for all his good- / ness to me?
I will lift up the cup of sal- / vation
and call on the name / of the LORD.
Precious in the sight / of the LORD
is the death of his faithful / servants.
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

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SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-21 (Sermon Text)

(Our hope is to one day join our Savior in the glory of heaven. Until that day, we live in this world as strangers who are focused on going to our true home.)

¹⁷Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

¹⁸For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver

or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors,¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

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Gospel Acclamation

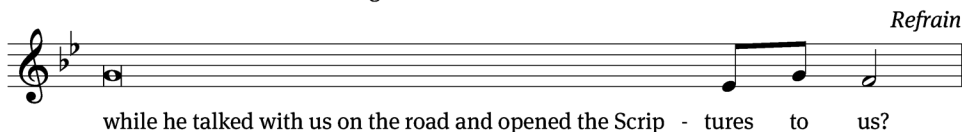
Luke 24:32



Refrain



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GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

(For two disciples Jesus explained that all the Scriptures showed that the Christ had to die and rise. Jesus restored their hope.)

¹³Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵As they

talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶but they were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹"What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²²In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus." ²⁵He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. ²⁸As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³²They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" ³³They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon."

³⁵Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

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HYMN OF THE DAY: 459 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Again"

SERMON: 1 Peter 1:17-21 "Live As Strangers"

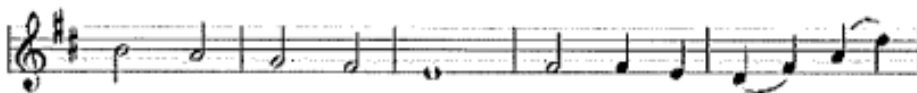
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AT ST. JOHN'S: RITE OF TEEN CONFIRMATION

Cantor: (spoken during hymn into) "But now, this is what the Lord says – 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I have called you by name; you are mine.' "



1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com-fort
2. When Satan's lies tempt me to sin, Give me the
3. Let me con - fess with all my breath, I will be



this sweet sen - tence gives. He lives, he lives who
strength to not give in. Lord, keep me honest, faithful
faith - ful un - til death. Since you have given me the



once was dead, He lives my e - ver - liv - ing Head!
pure, and true; Giv - ing my heart and praise to you.
gift of faith, I will re - ceive the crown of life.

Cantor: (spoken after the final verse) "I have called you by name; you are mine."

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (See bulletin p. 9)

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 512 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

CLOSING HYMN: 510 "In Christ Alone"

Teen Confirmands 2023

- **Drake William Hunter** - Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

- **Lily Elsie Logemann** - Matthew 22:37-39 "Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

- **Ally Lynn Steuck** - Psalm 16:8 "I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken."

- **Joseph Robert Zauner** - Psalm 50:15 "And call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including: Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Bob Buehrens, Michael Cox (Marjorie Fabian's brother), Gene Crook, Florence Dahlke, Vicki Davis (Marilyn Riemer's sister), Gloria Duerr, Reinold Eckelberg, Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Freitag, Donna Gatzke, Dennis Gromowski (Josh's father, Harvey Rudolph's neighbor), Kelleen Gruzca (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Jerry & Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's parents), Xzander Jahr, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Bob Klapper, Dale Kozlowski, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Earl "Pete" Laun, Thomas Marcelain (Dawn's son), Ben Olson, Steve Parrish, Melissa Prater, Karen Radke, Eloise Schultz, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), Tom Stempniak, Dominick Thoman (the father of Janessa Roberts, Harvey Rudolph's neighbor), Michael Turner (Melanie Zuehls' relative), Betty & James Weber, Stacy Weisensel, Paul Weldon (added this week: Bob Buehrens, Judy Fandrey, Bob Sluga)
- For Pastor Joel Gawrisch, called on 3/26 to serve as our 2nd pastor
- For our teen confirmands welcomed as St. John's members at the 10am Sunday (4/23) service: Drake Hunter, Lily Logemann, Ally Steuck, Joseph Zauner
- For the family of our former St. John's member Vonnie Kath called home on 4/15

THE DISTRIBUTION We respectfully ask that only those who are members of this congregation or members of our sister WELS and ELS congregations come forward to receive the Lord's Supper. By this close (or closed) communion practice, we do not mean to imply that our visitors are not true Christians. Since we view coming to the Lord's Supper as a confession of complete agreement with all the teachings of our church, we would like the opportunity to discuss these teachings with you. Please speak with pastor or indicate on the Friendship Register that you would like to discuss our communion teaching and practice. Thank you for your understanding. Personal Preparation for Holy Communion questions and answers are printed on page 295 in the front of the hymnal. Psalm 32, 51 and Hymns 650-677 may also help in your communion preparation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: April 23-29, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter:
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Monday	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study "Modern Moral Dilemmas"
Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Softball at Pardeeville
	4:00 p.m.	Griefshare at SJ
	6:30 p.m.	Worship meeting SJ
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Montello Care Center Devotion
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study "Modern Moral Dilemmas"
	3:45 p.m.	Public-School Confirmation at SJ
Thursday	4:30 p.m.	Softball at Mayville
Friday	4:30 p.m.	Softball home Vs. Redeemer
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	NO St. John's Worship

Next Sunday: April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter "HE LIVES TO BE MY GOOD SHEPHERD"
WLA Leading Service

8:00 a.m.	Emmanuel Worship
8:30 a.m.	Bible Study at St. John's
9:00 a.m.	Council Meeting at Emmanuel
10:00 a.m.	St. John's Worship

Attendance

Date	EM	SJ
4/6/23	73	-
4/7/23	-	81
4/9/23	98	140
4/15/23	-	11
4/16/23		73

SAVE THE DATE:

Tuesday, April 25th: Softball at Pardeeville 4:00pm, Worship meeting at St. John's 6:30pm

Thursday, April 27th: Softball at Mayville 4:30pm

Friday, April 28th: Softball home vs. Redeemer 4:30pm

Saturday, April 30th: Youth Group at Princeton 4:00pm

Monday, May 1st: Hands in Prayer Meeting 3:30pm

Tuesday, May 2nd: Joint Elder's Meeting at St. John's 9:00am; CALA meeting in Montello 6:30pm

Thursday, May 4th: Ladies Aid Dessert and Meeting 12:00noon

Friday, May 5th: CALA Musical 6:30pm at Princeton

Sunday, May 7th: Emmanuel Congregational meeting 9:00am

Saturday, May 20th: Men's Breakfast & Study Club 8:00am in Lower-Level at St. John's.

April 2023 Newsletter and Calendar available on the Church website: www.stjohnsmontello.org

May Issues of Forward in Christ Available.

HOUSING OPTIONS NEEDED

We at CALA are currently searching for housing options for our new teacher, Beth Barenz, with a move in date of July 1. If you or anyone you know have rental options near the Princeton/Green Lake area, please contact Mr. Sellnow 920-481-9002 or principal@christalonelutheranacademy.net. Thank you!

Hiring for Little Lamb's and Eagle's Nest:

St. John's Montello would like to hire an aide for the Little Lambs classroom and Eagles Nest wrap around care! Hours needed to be covered are Monday through Friday 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (varies day to day, never past 6:00 p.m. and most days not that late). Hours and days are flexible. Duties would include managing nap time, playtime, snack time, cleanup, and doing activities with the children. This position does involve the ability to work from the floor. Base pay will be based upon qualifications. Please call Barb Stelter (816-853-9029) or the school office (608-297-2866) to set up an interview. We look forward to our continued ministry with our Little Lambs!

Usher's schedule (St. John's):

Saturday 4/22/23 & Sunday 4/23/23:

Glen Bubolz, Martin Schmanke, Matthew Kath

Saturday 4/29/23 & Sunday 4/30/23:

James Wachholz, Zeb Zuehls, Thomas Wojtalewicz, Kenny Wojtalewicz, Chuck Boetcher, Jesse Schable

Saturday 5/6/23 & Sunday 5/7/23:

Paul Van Treek, Matt Borzick, Ken Borzick, James Henke, Haiden Van Treek, Nolan Van Treek, Brody Henke

Saturday 5/13/23 & Sunday 5/14/23:

Jerre Duerr, Joe Zauner, Sr., Joe Zauner, Jr., Gordon Krause, Kevin Kaul, Corey Kaul, Joey Zauner, Nathan Zauner

Saturday 5/20/23 & Sunday 5/21/23:

Ben Jaster, Jacob Jaster, Matt Neuhauser, Jeff Reimer, Mark Emond

SPRING SERVICE PROJECT St. John's & Emmanuel members are invited to join LWMS in a donation drive for Alpha Resource Center & Thrift Store in Watertown, a chapter of Christian Life Resources. Collection containers are located at both churches. Please collect only items on the following wishlist: size 6 & 7 diapers, rolls of paper towels, boxes of tissues, hand soap, 2-gallon ziplock bags, stamps, envelopes, reams of paper, and Goods for Resale: any sizes of new or gently used baby clothes & adult clothing. Monetary gifts are also welcome & should be given to the LWMS reporter at your church: Helen Stelter @ Emmanuel; Linda Wachholz @ St. John's

CALA & LITTLE LAMBS FAMILIES ARE HOSTING A THAI VILLAGE SPRING CRAFT SALE TODAY: 1/2 hour before worship and again 1/2 hour following worship. The sale is located in the linkway & school hallway and will be open each Sunday morning through Sunday, May 14, to further support this year's school mission project. Please visit the display. There are beautiful handmade items for the Easter, confirmation, and Mother's Day seasons & much more! Thank you! You are helping our school children support Gospel outreach via vocational training & ministry in Thailand. Thai Village is an extension of our WELS mission in Thailand. For more information about TV, visit <https://thaivillage.org/>

NEW CALA TEACHER NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

On Saturday, May 6th, about 11:00am, our new CALA Teacher, Beth Barenz, needs help in Princeton unloading classroom supplies from a trailer and taking it to a classroom. Please call the Princeton CALA office at 920-481-9002

God's Grounds coffee bar is now open in the linkway on Sunday's before and after church. Enjoy some fellowship and coffee with our St. John's family while munching on some delicious baked goods.

How can you help??

Do you like to bake? We are looking for people to help provide baked goods or fruit. "Baked goods" doesn't have to be homemade, store bought is fine! There is a sign-up sheet in the linkway by the food table; just fill in your name & what you're bringing on the appropriate date. You can sign up as a family, individuals, or as a group.

Hosting—We also need individuals, families, or groups to host a Sunday. Basically, that would involve setting out the food & juice, getting (& keeping) the coffee going, & clean-up afterwards. We are also looking for people to "fill-in" as needed on the Sunday's we can't be there. You can sign up for that in the linkway also. The plan is to have the coffee bar open as many Sundays as possible, but it will take a team effort and we will need volunteers to help provide baked goods & to also host it. Any help will be greatly appreciated!

Have small children??

Eventually there will be a kid-friendly area located downstairs by the tv. Here you can take your small children to enjoy their beverages & food on kid-size tables. If parents want more time to enjoy fellowship with each other, there will be books & toys to keep the little ones busy. We can even pop in a veggie tales show too!

For more information or to help in any area, you may contact Mark & Patty Emond at 608-697-3327.

THANK YOU to all who donated to our LWMS Spring Mission Offering, either by attending our Lenten supper or sharing a gift in our collection container. Total collected: \$619.00. 75% will support two Beaver Dam Circuit projects: Home Mission-Summer Student Assistants & Joint Mission-Sudanese Outreach. 25% will support one home and one world mission project which will be decided by ballot in May and announced at the LWMS Convention in June.

Pastor Joel Gawrisch was called on 3/26 to serve as our 2nd pastor. His address and email are below. You can send him a word of encouragement as he prayerfully considers how best to serve Our Lord.

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For those who couldn't make it to the Men's Breakfast & Study Club, below is the webpage where you can watch it. Our next one will be on Saturday, May 20th, 8:00 am in the Lower Level of St. John's. We will watch "War over the male mind" presented by Luke Thompson.

<https://www.menofhisword.org/15-happiness-is.html>

Help us stay in touch!

Scan the code below using your smartphone camera and fill out the prompted information. Don't have a smartphone? That's ok! Fill out an attendance card located at the end of each pew and place it in the offering plate located at the entry of each church.



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