

*Youth Led Worship  
Service*



*Evangelical Lutheran Church*

*April 12, 2026*



Welcome to all, especially visitors! It is no accident that you are here! We've been praying for you. We believe God has brought you here and wants to touch your life. You are among friends.



If you are visiting, please sign in on our guest sign in sheet in the Narthex Hallway.



**At our 10:45 AM service:** words for the hymns are projected on the screens at the front of the sanctuary.



**For the hearing impaired:** hearing devices are available in the Narthex outside the sanctuary. ELC now has a wifi enabled Assist System. This will allow you to follow along with the service using your personal hearing aids. If your hearing aids are paired to your smartphone, please scan the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store QR code to download the waveCast app. Please see the tech team if you need any assistance.



**Google Play Store**



**Wifi ELC Hears**



**Apple App Store**



**Restrooms:** To locate a restroom, exit the back of the worship area. Take two rights and proceed down the hallway. At the stairs, go left. The Women's Room is on the left, the Men's Room is straight ahead.



**Holy Communion at ELC:** We welcome to the Lord's Table all the baptized people of God. Gluten free options and grape juice are available.



**Nursery:** We have a fully staffed nursery for infants through children six years of age or children of any age with special needs. The nursery opens at 10:15 AM on Sunday morning for our 10:45 AM worship service. The nursery is equipped with a pager system to help parents feel at ease. There is also a private nursing room for those who wish you use it.



**Photo Release Form:** Our 10:45am AM service is live-streamed to our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel. All children coming to the front for the Children's Message or Holy Communion will be visible on the live-feed. If you do not want your child's image online, please do not send them up to the front. If you are ok with it, please fill out a Photo Release Form located on the sign-up table in the Narthex and put it in the offering box.



**Reserved Seating:** Please keep the reserved seats open for people with disabilities and their family members. Thank you!



**Background Checks:** Mandatory background checks have been completed for all of our Nursery & Children's Ministry Volunteers.

*Sunday, April 12, 2026*

*The Second Sunday of Easter*

In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter the first two readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and the first letter of Peter. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.

## ***GATHERING***

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING**

*Please stand*

### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C** **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P** Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

**P** Merciful God,  
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.  
You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:  
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us (local waters may be named).  
Blessed are you.

**C** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P** Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.  
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.  
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.  
Blessed are you.

**C** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P** Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us.  
Fill us with the breath of peace.  
Blessed are you.

**C** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P** Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.  
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

*Sanctuary*

Randy Scruggs and  
John W. Thompson

**GREETING**

**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.**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

*Psalm 25 (Higher Than the Mountains)*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## WORD

### FIRST READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

*This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.*

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### SECOND READING

Psalm 16

We will read the Psalm Responsively.

<sup>1</sup> Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;

I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good a- | bove all other."

<sup>2</sup> **All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,  
upon those who are noble a- | mong the people.**

<sup>3</sup> But those who run after | other gods  
shall have their troubles | multiplied.

<sup>4</sup> **I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,  
never take their names up- | on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup> O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;  
it is you who up- | hold my lot.

<sup>6</sup> **My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup> I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night | after night.

<sup>8</sup> **I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup> My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;  
my body also shall | rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup> **For you will not abandon me | to the grave,  
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup> You will show me the | path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures  
for- | evermore.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Halle Halle, Halle*

**ELW 172**

**GOSPEL:**

**John 20:19-31**

*The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.*

**P** The holy gospel according to St. John 20th Chapter

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."<sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.<sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**CHILDRENS SERMON** (10:45am only)

*Youth*

**SERMON**

*Youth*

*Please stand*

**SONG OF THE DAY**

*They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love/Awesome God*

Fr. Peter Scholtes

Rich Mullins

**THE APOSTLES 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 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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION



**Members of Our Congregation:** Jeff Cecco, Don Cool, Ellen Hess, Bill Kipe, Art Koenig, Chuck Morningstar, Karla Oller, Lena Rowe, and Lamar Sease.

**Friends of the Congregation:** Joanie Amsley, Anna Batson, Rosanna Biesecker, Hilda Carey, Kevin Carey, Mary Diperna, Barbara Dutton, Laurie Ellis, Jim Gleason, Robyn Haskins, Terry L'Heureux, Lana Lammond, Debra Lensbower, Jerry Lindsay, Elizabeth Martin, Joyce Matthews, Amanda Morningstar, Terry Reed, Billie Jo Rothe, Dan Rovelstad, Susan Sees, Spahnolgtli family, Sherry Toomey, Jean Uber, Matthew Urban, Lubomira Uhliarova, Joe Vance, Susie Wetherald, and the family of Stan and Judy Pawlus.

*(Names will be posted for a month. If you would like to have them on longer, please contact the church office.)*

## PEACE

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

**C** And also with you.

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING MUSIC

*Please stand*

## MEAL

*Thank you for your continuous support of ELC ministries. Your generosity is making a difference. Please place your offering in one of the boxes at the entrance to the Sanctuary. You are a blessing!*

## OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Let us pray. Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

**C Amen.**

## COMMUNION LITURGY

**ELW 574**

Verses - Sung by Presiding Pastor

Refrain - Sung by Congregation

God be with you in all love, lift your hearts to God above. It is right and good to give our thanks and praise. Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power, God of love. Sing Hosanna, Christ has come in God's own name.

[Refrain]

**People needing, Spirit leading, Jesus feeding all who come to him.  
Bread for tending, cup for mending, Spirit sending us to serve the world.**

On the night his life was giv'n, Jesus took the bread of heav'n. Thanking God, he broke it all. Remember me. Then he took the common cup, new forgiveness lifting up. Thanking God, he gave to all. Remember me. [Refrain]

We remember God in Christ, holy living sacrifice. So like him, in thanks and praise ourselves we give. We embrace his mystery, how he died and set us free. As he rose, he'll come again. In Christ we live. [Refrain]

On these gifts of wine and bread, and your people in this place. Pour your Spirit, gift divine giving us Christ. By the Spirit, make us one. One in Christ to serve the world. That on earth your will be done till Christ shall come. [Refrain]

(half-stanza) Now to you, all-loving God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Be all glory, thanks and praise, forevermore. [Refrain]

## **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.**

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P** Let us pray. Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

**C** Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

## **SENDING SONG**

*My Lighthouse*

Rend Collective

## **DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**C** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## **POSTLUDE**

*Church Clap*

Kevin Burgess (KB)  
Lecrae Moorer

*A HUGE Thank You to all of our  
youth who served in Worship  
today!*

*Morgan Barnhart*

*Anna Cordell*

*Aubrey Cordell*

*Callie Cordell*

*Craig Dirr*

*Malu Dirr*

*Annabel Erwin*

*Hank Erwin*

*Rhys Erwin*

*Sawyer Hedegus*

*Colin Jones*

*Emma Jones*

*Elijah Kring*

*Lily Lego*

*Leah McDannell*

*Lily McDannell*

*Luke McDannell*

*Ethan McDonald*

*Isa Mentzer*

*Graeme Murray*

*Nolan O'Leary*

*George Oslik*

*Miro Oslik*

*Lily Pitts*

*Jayli Robinson*

*Alexis Schuchart*

*Mira Schuchart*

*Hailey Schultz*

*Cadence Shemon*

*Noah Walker*

*Riley Walker*

*Abby Weaver*

*Robbi Young*

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	
Altar Guild	Karen Walker & Roxanne Cecco
Audio Visual	Youth
Communion Assistants	Youth
Children's Message	Youth
Children's Worship	Michelle Kring & Youth
Flower Delivery	Chuck & Teresa Morningstar
Greeters	Youth (W) Youth (C)
Lector	Youth
Ushers	Team B/Team D



*In honor of  
Ellie's nieces & nephews  
by Ellie*



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