

# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*April 15, 2018*

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### **HOLY COMMUNION**

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

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### **The Confessional Service with Holy Communion**

**+ Prelude**

**+ Hymn of Invocation - #198**

*"He's Risen, He's Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord"*

**+ The Invocation – pg. 46ff**                      (*stand*)

**+ Versicles & Responses**

**+ INTROIT**

*Ps. 30:1–5; antiphon: Ps. 16:11b*

*In your presence there is fullness of joy;*

*at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

**I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up  
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

*O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.*

**O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;  
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

*Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name.*

**For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.**

**Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

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at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

**+ The Confessional Address or Exhortation – pg. 47**

**+ The Corporate Confession of Sins and Absolution – pg. 47-48**

**+ The Collect for the Day**

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.**

**+ The First Reading: Acts 3:11-21**

- *See enclosed insert for the Readings*

**+ The Epistle: 1 John 3:1-7**

**+ The Holy Gospel: Luke 24:36-49**

**+ The Nicene Creed – pg. 22**

**+ Hymn - #190**

*“Christ the Lord is Risen Again”*

**+ Sermon – “Proclaiming the Message of Repentance and  
Forgiveness” Luke 24:44-49**

- I. We live in a sinful world of which we are a part.
- II. As forgiven sinners we are moved to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

**+ The Offertory – pg. 22 (stand)**

- + The Offerings
- + The Prayer of the Church
- + The Preface ~ The Agnus Dei – pg. 24-28
- + Distribution Hymns
  - #192 “Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”
  - #201 “Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”
  - #196 “I Am Content! My Jesus Liveth Still”
- + The Nunc Dimittis – pg. 29
- + The Thanksgiving – pg. 30
- + Post-Communion Collect – pg. 30
- + The Salutation & The Benedicamus – pg. 31
- + The Benediction – pg. 31
- + Closing Hymn - #196, v. 1 & 5 (7:00 p.m.)  
“I Am Content! My Jesus Liveth Still”

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

## DAILY READINGS

**April 15:** Ex. 32:15–35; Luke 6:39–49; **16:** Ex. 33:1–23; Luke 7:1–17; **17:** Ex. 34:1–28; Luke 7:18–35; **18:** Ex. 34:29–35:21; Luke 7:36–50; **19:** Ex. 38:21–39:8, 22–23, 27–31; Luke 8:1–21; **20:** Ex. 39:32–40:16; Luke 8:22–39; **21:** Ex. 40:17–38; Luke 8:40–56.

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