

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ



Second Sunday of Easter
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Welcome

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshipping with you. There's also a "prayground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshipping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

Key:

Bold Font – Spoken by the Congregation

Regular Font – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant

† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

*Please Note: In an effort to protect those who are vulnerable, **masking is strongly recommended**. In addition, the first four rows of pews on the left side of the sanctuary are reserved as a “masking only” section (for those who wish to be in close proximity only with others who are masking).*

Second Sunday of Easter

In spite of all we have heard and all we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus’ victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the risen Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Welcome

In Thanksgiving for Baptism, we recall how God has joined us to Christ through baptism and clothes us with mercy and forgiveness.

† **Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation.

For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

<p><i>The thanksgiving praises God for all of God's saving actions through water and the word, praying and trusting that this assembly will be renewed by the Holy Spirit in forgiveness, grace, and love.</i></p>	<p>We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing.</p> <p>You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through.</p> <p>In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation.</p> <p>Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.</p> <p>To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever. Amen.</p>
	<p>† Gathering Hymn: The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done ELW 366 vs 1, 2, & 4</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p> <p>1 The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the victor's triumph won!</p>

Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!

2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst;
Jesus their legions has dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!

4 Christ closed the yawning gates of hell;
the bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
Let hymns of praise his triumph tell. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832-1909

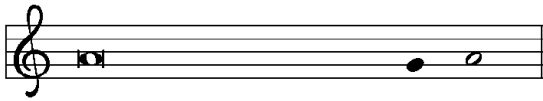
The presiding minister greets the assembly with the words used by Paul in 2nd Corinthians to greet churches. The assembly also greets the presiding minister in return. It is a moment of mutuality that signifies trust, love, mutual service, and a shared hope in God.

† Greeting

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

Kyrie Eleison
means "Lord
have mercy."

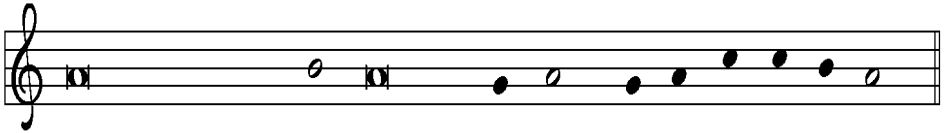
† Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



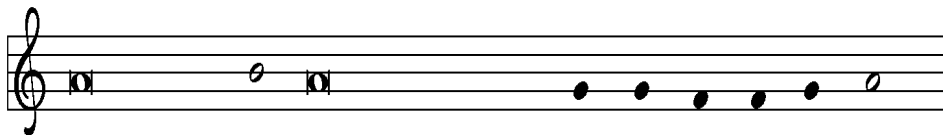
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



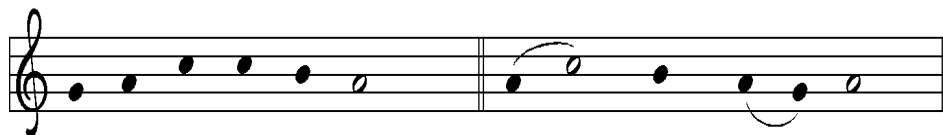
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

Along with the return of the Alleluia, the Hymn of Praise returns on Easter Sunday to signify the joy of the resurrection.

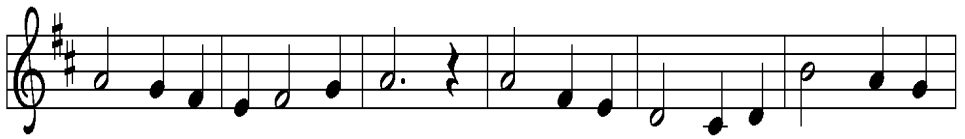
† Hymn of Praise



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Prayer of the Day highlights themes from the scripture readings we are about to hear.

† Prayer of the Day

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body 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.

During the Season of Easter, the first reading, which typically comes from the Old Testament, is replaced by readings from the book of Acts, tracing the growth and development

The Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32

To put this reading into context:

Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.

Hear now the reading:

28 You are my God, and | I will thank you;
 you are my God, and I | will exalt you.
 29 Give thanks to the Lord, for the | Lord is good;
 God's mercy en- | dures forever.

*We welcome
 the gospel by
 singing the
 Gospel
 Acclamation.*

† **Gospel Acclamation: Halle Halle Hallelujah ELW 172**

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional

*The Gospel
 reading is
 announced.
 We rise to our
 feet, if able, as
 a sign of
 respect and
 anticipation
 for the Gospel
 that reveals
 Jesus Christ to
 us.*

† **Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31**

To put this reading into context:

The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who “have not seen and yet believe.”

The holy gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So 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."

²⁶A 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." ²⁷Then 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." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

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

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon: Scott Wylie

Silence for Reflection

The Hymn of the Day invites the Assembly's participation in the sermon event—it is a response to the proclaimed Word of God.

† Hymn of the Day: Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain
ELW 363 vs 1, 2, & 4

- 1 Come, you faithful, raise the strain
of triumphant gladness!
God has brought forth Israel
into joy from sadness,
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters;
led them with unmoistened foot
through the Red Sea waters.
- 2 'Tis the spring of souls today:
Christ has burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death
as a sun has risen.
All the winter of our sins,
long and dark, is flying
from the Light to whom we give
laud and praise undying.
- 4 Neither could the gates of death,
nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal
hold you as a mortal:
but today, among your own,
you appear, bestowing
your deep peace, which evermore
passes human knowing.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

*As the church,
we pray for
those in our
community
and around
the world.
The prayers
are also
responsive,
emphasizing
our
participation.*

† Prayers of Intercession

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Holy One who acts righteously, equip your church as witnesses of your goodness to go and tell others of your abundant love through Jesus Christ, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**


Renew your people's commitment to use resources responsibly and to live well with your creation. Invite us to recognize and nurture signs of resurrection life in the natural world. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Direct those who are given human authority to lead with humility and compassion. By your Holy Spirit channel their attention toward serving those who are most in need. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Uphold your children who cry out to you especially . . . and those whom we lift up in our heart silently or aloud. Wherever people are overcome by the fear of death, breathe into them your life and peace. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Inspire all of our worship servants who lead your people in worship and praise. With joyful motion and sound, send us forth with praise that we cannot keep to ourselves. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give us the words of your saints who, like Thomas, boldly confess your Son as Lord and God. With Jesus our leader, empower us to live according to his ways. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

	<p>In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.</p>
<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, where we recognize Christ's peace in one another and share it together.</i></p>	<p>† Passing of the Peace</p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always, And also with you.</p> <p><i>The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.</i></p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u> <i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</p> <p>God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil continue making an impact by giving at www.goodsoillutheran.org/support or by using this QR code below.</p> <p><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page:</i></p> 
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for</i></p>	<p>† Offering Hymn: Alleluia! Jesus is Risen ELW 377 vs 1 & 2</p> <p>1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!</p>

*God's
blessings.*

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

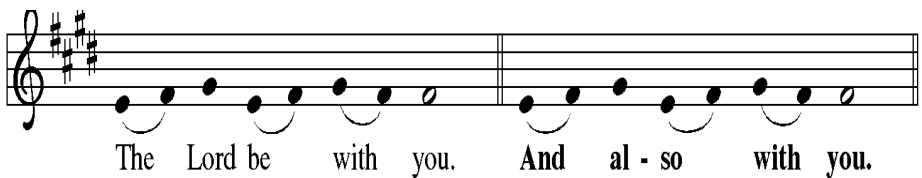
- 2 Walking the way, Christ in the center
telling the story to open our eyes;
breaking our bread, giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
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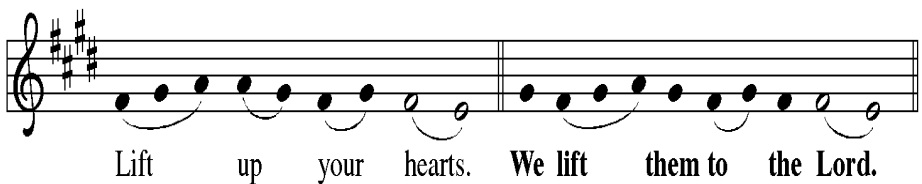
† **Offering Prayer**

Living God,
you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together
in your peaceable reign,
and you welcome us all at your table.
Reach out to us through this meal,
and show us your wounded and risen body,
that we may be nourished and believe
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

† **Great Thanksgiving**



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

† Sanctus

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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.

	<p>† Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution</p>
<p><i>The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.</i></p>	<p>† Lord's Prayer</p> <p>Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.</p> <p>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</p> <p>Give us this day our daily bread;</p> <p>and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;</p> <p>and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.</p> <p>For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.</p>
	<p>† Invitation to the Table</p> <p>The risen Christ dwells with us here.</p> <p>All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.</p>
<p><i>Standing is considered "the posture of resurrection."</i></p>	<p>Communion</p> <p><i>Christ is with us in this meal. All who are hungry for the presence of Jesus are welcome to commune here at Good Soil. Please wait for the usher to release your row before proceeding up front. You are invited to stand at the altar rail. Gluten-free communion is available upon request. Wine is white and grape juice is red.</i></p> <p>The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.</p> <p>The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.</p>

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1 O sons and daughters, let us sing
with heav'nly hosts to Christ our king:
today the grave has lost its sting! Alleluia!
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day,
the faithful women went their way
to seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!
- 3 An angel clad in white they see,
who sits and speaks unto the three,
"Your Lord will go to Galilee." Alleluia!
- 4 That night the apostles met in fear;
among them came their master dear,
and said, "My peace be with you here." Alleluia!
- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard,
that they had seen the risen Lord,
he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
and look upon my hands, my feet;
not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen,
and yet whose faith has constant been,
for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days,
be laud and jubilee and praise:
to God your hearts and voices raise. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

† Post-Communion Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

† Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, generous God,
for in this bread and cup
we have tasted the new heaven and earth
where hunger and thirst are no more.
Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
Amen.

The Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*With the
blessing of
God, we go
out to live as
Christ's body
in the world.*

† Blessing

God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
† bless you now and forever.
Amen.

† Sending Hymn: Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen
ELW 548

- 1 Rise, O church, like Christ arisen,
from this meal of love and grace;
may we through such love envision
whose we are, and whose, our praise.
Alleluia, alleluia;
God, the wonder of our days.

- 2 Rise, transformed, and choose to follow
after Christ, though wounded, whole;
broken, shared, our lives are hallowed
to release and to console.
Alleluia, alleluia;
Christ, our present, past, and goal.

- 3 Rise, remember well the future
God has called us to receive;
present by God's loving nurture,
Spirited then let us live.
Alleluia, alleluia;
Spirit, grace by whom we live.

- 4 Service be our sure vocation;
courage be our daily breath;
mercy be our destination
from this day and unto death.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Rise, O church, a living faith.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953
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<p><i>The dismissal sends us out into the world as Christ's Body—fed, nourished, and ready to serve. Worship has ended, and our service begins!</i></p>	<p>† Dismissal</p> <p>Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!</p> <p>Go in peace. Tell what God has done. Thanks be to God.</p>
	<p>Postlude</p>

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Today's Worship Servants:

<p>Presiding: Pastor Marissa Harrison</p>	<p>Reader: Michael Wancata</p>
<p>Ushers: Barbara Demko-Werner Bill Fink</p>	<p>Counters: Bill Fink Becky Williamson</p>
<p>Online Usher: Karen Sperli</p>	<p>Acolyte: Isaac Krankowski</p>



Announcements from Good Soil Sunday, April 24, 2022

For those in need of healing, comfort, or strength: Jae, Jeff, and Oakley; Andrew Evatt; Willie Lee, Char Mattson; Jen Mitterholzer; Jerry and Marie Sternad; Tony Sykaluk; Mary Wahl; Jeanette Weidlich

For those celebrating their birthday:
Kaethe Buchholz (Apr 25)

Thanks to all who provided candy and helped fill the eggs for last week's Easter Egg Hunt. It was our largest East Egg Hunt yet!

No Sunday School today. We will resume next week.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
DAY	EVENT	TIME
Sun, Apr 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Coffee Hour • NO SUNDAY SCHOOL – RESUMES NEXT WEEK 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Sun, May 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Confirmation Class 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
Sat, May 7	Ladies' Breakfast – Gene's Place	9:00 a.m.
Sun, May 8	MOTHER'S DAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Confirmation Class 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
Tues, May 10	GS Executive Team Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Fri, May 13 Sat, May 14	Annual Synod Assembly – <i>thank you to our Good Soil delegates, Amanda Inman and Adam Pate!</i>	
Sun, May 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Confirmation Class 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
Tues, May 17	GS Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sun, May 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Confirmation Class 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
Sun, May 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Mon, May 30	MEMORIAL DAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	