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Acolyte: Paris Reimann
Lectionary: Denise Holst

Resurrection of Our Lord
West Prairie Lutheran Church, LCMC
Prelude

7 a.m., March 27, 2016
Pastor Steve Bang

Announcements

Today

8 a.m. Easter Breakfast, provided by church youth and parents

Wednesday, March 30

3 p.m. Confirmation Class

Next Sunday, April 3

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10:15 a.m. Fellowship

11 a.m. Worship Service

Noon—Sarah Circle w/Shirley Schutter as hostess

7 p.m. Youth Group

Easter Lillies in church today are from:

Denny and Judy Norstrud in memory of Thome and Nora Norstrud;

Larry and Joan West in memory of family members;

Roger and LeAnn Peterson in memory of family members;

The Reimann family in honor of Marlas Reimann, and in memory of family members;

Lanette Branstad in honor of Eldora Reil, and in memory of family members.

Altar lilies will be given to Marlas Reimann and Shirley Hanson.

Bible Study resumes Tuesday, April 5 at 7 p.m.

April newsletter deadline announcements, etc. due by Friday, April 1. April

usher: Bill Schutter; lectionary: Paris Reimann; acolyte: Austin Kirschbaum.

WOW quilters are in need of new or gently used material. Donations can be left on the tables in the basement quilting rooms. Thanks!

Prayer List—William Kirschbaum, Sr., Donnie Jensen (Rita Schutter's father), Shirley Hanson, Mandy Carlson, Elaine Ritz, Carver Moffett, Kylie Holst, Marlas Reimann, Angela Haugen, Marlys Haugen, Mike Haack, Roger Peterson, Dale Zingg, Dorothy Kall, Ben Charlson, Monte Branstad, Blanche Durby, Eldora Reil. All prayer requests can be submitted to:

www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer; leave message on church answering system @641-567-3733; or called in to Pastor Steve @ 641-590-7894.

Pastoral Greeting

Please stand if you are able.

Brief Order for Confession and Forgivenesspage 77

Opening Hymn, Jesus Christ is Risen Today LBW #151

Kyrie page 78

Hymn of Praise, Glory to God in the Highestpage 79

Prayer of the Day

All: O God, You gave Your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by His glorious resurrection You delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with Him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things will not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem *for* rejoicing and her people *for* gladness. I will also rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in My people; and there will no longer be heard in her the voice of weeping and the sound of crying.

“No longer will there be in it an infant *who lives but a few days*, or an old man who does not live out his days; for the youth will die at the age of one hundred and the one who does not reach the age of one hundred will be *thought* accursed. They will build houses and inhabit *them*; they will also plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They will not build and another inhabit, they will not plant and another eat; for as the lifetime of a tree, *so will be* the days of My people, and My chosen ones will wear out the work of their hands. They will not labor in vain, or bear *children* for calamity; for they are the offspring of those blessed by the LORD, and their descendants with them. It will also come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear. The wolf and the lamb will graze together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox; and dust will be the serpent's food. They will do no evil or harm in all My holy mountain,” says the LORD.

PSALMS 16 (responsively)

L: Preserve me, O God,

C: for I take refuge in You.

L: I said to the LORD, "You are my Lord;

C: I have no good besides You."

L: As for the saints who are in the earth,

C: they are the majestic ones in whom is all my delight.

L: The sorrows of those who have bartered for another *god* will be multiplied;

C: I shall not pour out their drink offerings of blood, nor will I take their names upon my lips.

L: The LORD is the portion of my inheritance and my cup;

C: You support my lot.

L: The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places;

C: indeed, my heritage is beautiful to me.

L: I will bless the LORD who has counseled me;

C: indeed, my mind instructs me in the night.

L: I have set the LORD continually before me;

C: because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

L: Therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoices;

C: my flesh also will dwell securely.

L: For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol;

C: nor will You allow Your Holy One to undergo decay.

L: You will make known to me the path of life;

C: in Your presence is fullness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

SECOND LESSON: I Corinthians 15:19-26

If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. For since by a man *came* death, by a man also *came* the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming, then *comes* the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be abolished is death.

Alleluia page 83

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:1-12

Response: Glory to You, O Lord..... page 83

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the

tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men suddenly stood near them in dazzling clothing; and as *the women* were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, *the men* said to them, "Why do you seek the living One among the dead? He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee, saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again." And they remembered His words, and returned from the tomb and reported all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now they were Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the *mother* of James; also the other women with them were telling these things to the apostles. But these words appeared to them as nonsense, and they would not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen wrappings only; and he went away to his home, marveling at what had happened.

Response: Praise to You, O Christpage 83
You may be seated.

Special Music, Were You There..... Faith Finer

SERMON: Pastor Steve Bang

"What a Story" Luke 24:1-12

Hymn, Thine is the Glory LBW #145
Please stand.

Apostles' Creedpage 85
Prayer

Sharing of the Peace.

You may be seated.

Special Music, Rise Again Lanette Branstad

Offering

Please stand.

Offertory, Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God page 96

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The Lord's Prayerpage 97

Benediction page 97

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn, Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!..... LBW # 147

Postlude

SERMON NOTES

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