

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ**  
**April 4, 2021**

**“RETURN AND SEE”**  
**Matthew 28:1-10**

We return to the place of His passion ... the place of His death ... to SEE what God the Father has done for His only Son, Jesus. SEE what He promises to do through His Son among His disciples!

- **SEE the Lingering Sorrow** (Matthew 28:1)
  - Jeremiah 6:14
  - Micah 1:8-9
  - Isaiah 53:1-9
  
- **SEE the Power of God** (Matthew 28:2-6)
  - Isaiah 25:6-9
  - 1 Corinthians 15:1-4
  
- **SEE the Promise of Fellowship** (Matthew 28:7-10)
  - Psalm 16
  - 1 Corinthians 15:5-11
  - Matthew 1:23 and 28:20

## FAITH FAMILY AT PRAYER

*A Resource for Home Devotions*

April 4 - 10

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### Readings from Holy Scripture

*The following lessons may be read in the morning and evening,  
or in any way that works best for your schedule.*

Sunday	Exodus 14:10-31	Hebrews 7:23-8:13
Monday	Exodus 15:1-18	Hebrews 9:1-28
Tuesday	Exodus 15:19-16:12	Hebrews 10:1-18
Wednesday	Exodus 16:13-35	Hebrews 10:19-39
Thursday	Exodus 17:1-16	Hebrews 11:1-29
Friday	Exodus 18:5-27	Hebrews 12:1-24
Saturday	Exodus 19:1-25	Hebrews 13:1-21

### SMALL CATECHISM

#### THE CREED

**As the head of the family should teach it  
in a simple way to his household**

#### *The Third Article* Sanctification

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*What does this mean?* I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

## DAILY PRAYER

### INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### KYRIE

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### PRAYERS FOR OTHERS and OURSELVES

*Sunday:* The joy of the resurrection, for godly worship and preaching of God's Word.

*Monday:* Faith to live in Holy Baptism; vocation, daily work, the unemployed, our neighbors, government, peace.

*Tuesday:* from temptation; the addicted and despairing; the oppressed; those struggling with sins.

*Wednesday:* Marriage, family, single parents, schools, universities, seminaries.

*Thursday:* Church, pastors, deaconesses, missionaries, faithful use of the Sacraments.

*Friday:* Preaching of the cross of our Lord in our community and the world.

*Saturday:* Faithfulness; the dying; those fallen away; open hearts for worship.

### LORD'S PRAYER

### CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty and everlasting God, grant that we who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection may be raised to new life by the power of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our only Lord and Savior. Amen.

For Next Sunday:

**Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 148; 1 John 1:1-2:2;  
John 20:19-31**

## ***Need to Know***

Dear Faith Family,

**Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!** “Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade – kept in heaven for you who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.” (1 Peter 1:3-5) The apostles were eyewitnesses to the resurrection of Jesus. We believe that their testimony is true. God has done it all and shared the message with us. We are blessed to celebrate new life in the Savior. Our future is secure. **Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Pastor Ed*

**Sunday School does not meet today.** Next Sunday we continue our journey through the Old Testament with the lesson *“Food From Heaven”* based on Exodus 16. We invite all members of Faith family to join us for the study of God’s Word. We have great teachers at all levels. ***“Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”*** Psalm 119:105

**“Built on the Rock” Small Group Leader Meeting** – Everyone who has agreed to serve as a Small Group Leader is invited to gather with Pastor Ed next Sunday, April 11, at 12:30 p.m. in the Faith Family Center. We will share a box lunch fellowship, distribute copies of the book, and offer orientation and guidelines for the beginning of our Small Group Ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Ed.

**Mission of the Month – The Breadbox** – The Breadbox is a ministry fund of Faith Lutheran Church that provides financial assistance to Erath County residents for basic needs like rent and utilities. Sometimes, assistance is also given for things like medical bills, car repairs or motel stays. During the month of April, Faith will be partnering with the Breadbox to offer prayers and financial support. Special offering envelopes are available in the narthex. You may also simply ear-mark your donation check to “The Breadbox”. Your continued support of the Breadbox is greatly appreciated.

**Birthdays and anniversaries this week:** Brantley Riola & Pat Weber (4th); Sheryl Truss (5th); Tyler Mitchell (6th); Cindy Franz (7th); Emily Lansmon & Harper Mundfrom (9th); Students: Adrian Felipe (4th); Ryder Hayes (9th); Peyton Rouse (10th); Anniversary: Ricky & Sarah Osterloh (7th).

**Our postlude today** - The tune for today's postlude - Chorale Prelude on "Allein Gott in der Höh" - is used in our hymnal for the lyrics "All Glory Be to God on High". On this festive celebration of our Savior's Resurrection, we offer our praise to God the Father, God the Son and God the Spirit for redeeming us through Jesus' suffering, death, burial and glorious resurrection. I trust today's presentation of this joyful hymn tune by our Instrument Ensemble will be a blessing to you.      *Arnold*

**Faith Garage Sale** – LWML plans a repeat of last year's off-site garage sale. The **BIG CHANGE** – take all items to the sale location in the Quonset hut, two places east of Pulido's on April 16 from 6:00 – 7:30pm. Ronnie Slemmons will be in charge. Computers, printers & T.V.'s will be accepted. If you have questions, talk with Lynann Simpson. The sale will be April 22 through 24 from 8:00am until 5:00pm.

**LWML Business Meeting** – Monday, April 12 at 6:00pm in Room 6 of Faith's Family Center.

**April Newsletters** are available via email, online or in print. Printed copies are located in the hanging folder by the church bulletin board.

**Please remember** to pick up your *Portals of Prayer* for April through June.

**Save the Date**

FLY Steak Dinner Fundraiser – Sunday, May 9.

Two seatings will be available... 11:00am & 12:00pm following each of our worship services. More information will follow later.

**FLY Fellowship & Planning Meeting** – April 18 at 5 p.m. in Room 9. Attendance at this meeting is strongly encouraged for Bible study, fellowship, and our fundraising activity scheduled for Mother's Day, May 9. If you are an adult member and willing to assist our Youth in fundraising activities, please speak with Pastor Ed. **FLY – all y'all come!**

**Church Website** – You can find worship services and Prayer and Bible study guides online at the church's website, [www.faithlutheranstephenville.com](http://www.faithlutheranstephenville.com). The website also has a link to online giving. For assistance setting up online giving, email Lisa at [church.office@faithlutheranstephenville.com](mailto:church.office@faithlutheranstephenville.com). Thank you.