



*Sunday, April 22, 2018*

*9:00 a.m.*

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## ~Welcome Visitors!~

*Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.*

**Sunday, April 22, 2018**

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
ELW Holy Communion Setting Four

**\*INDICATES CONGREGATION TO STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)**

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P:** In the name of the Father,  
and of the ☐ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*The presiding minister may lead one of the following or another prayer of preparation.*

**P:** God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*One of the following or another confession is prayed.*

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**C:** we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

**Amen.**

*The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness with these or similar words.*

**P:** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☐ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG**

*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

**ELW 712**

**\*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.**

**\*KYRIE**

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**\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

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**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**A:** Let us pray. God of freedom,

Paul and Silas worshiped you, even when they were flogged and imprisoned. Transform our hearts so that we may also rejoice in you at all times and in all situations.

**C: Amen.**

**CHOIR** *The Church's One Foundation*

## RESPONSIVE READING: Luke 6:18-19, 22-23

**A:** <sup>18</sup>They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup>**And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.**

<sup>22</sup>Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>**Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.**

ALLELUIA

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## READING: Acts 16:16-34

**L:** <sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. <sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

<sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to

all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup> At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup> He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

**L:** Word of God, word of life.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## **BRIDGING GOD'S STORY**

### **TIME FOR CHILDREN**

### **SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** *When Our Song Says Peace*      **ELW 709**

### **\*NICENE CREED**

**A:** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A:** Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need. (*A brief silence.*) Bless all who shepherd your sheep and guide them in their serving. We pray for church custodians, office managers, Sunday school teachers, confirmation leaders, baptismal sponsors, deacons, pastors, youth workers, and bishops...

**A:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**A:** ...We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

## \*PEACE

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

## MISSION MINUTE

## OFFERING

\***OFFERTORY** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

**ELW 184**

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

**A:** Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples.

Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.

**C:** **Amen.**

## \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

## \*DIALOGUE

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## \*PREFACE

## \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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## \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### \*LORD'S PRAYER

**P:** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Now let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

### HOLY COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR

*Welcome to the Lord's Table! All are welcome to participating this gift of life. Are you wondering what to expect?*

- *To read about what Lutherans believe about communion, please read "The Sacrament of the Altar" from the Small Catechism, which you will find in the back of the hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship on p. 1166.*
- *When you are ushered forward, please kneel or stand at the railing. When you are given bread, you may eat it. Wine and grape juice are served in trays with cups. Wine is purple; grape juice is yellow. Take a small cup and drink.*
- *Please let the server know if you need a gluten free option.*
- *You may receive a blessing without communion; please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.*
- *If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, please let the ushers know. We will come to you.*

**LAMB OF GOD**

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**COMMUNION HYMN *Let Us Break Bread Together***

**ELW 471**

**COMMUNION HYMN *Blessed Assurance***

**ELW 638**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A:** Let us pray. Life-giving God,  
in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection  
you send light to conquer darkness,  
water to give new life,  
and the bread of heaven to nourish your people.  
Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection  
that we may show your glory to all the world;  
through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.  
**C: Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**P:** May God who has brought us from death to life  
fill you with great joy.  
Almighty God, Father, ☐ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.  
**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG *Give to Our God Immortal Praise!* ELW 848**

## **\*DISMISSAL**

**A:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
**A:** You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.  
Go in peace. Share the good news.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

## ***~Worship Leaders~***

**Presider** ~ Rev. Brenda Lovick, Pastor  
**Assisting Minister** ~ Karen Hayes **Lector** ~ Trudy Spike  
**Acolytes** ~ Mallory Wallace & Teagan Welcher  
**Greeter** ~ Marilyn Gunderson  
**Ushers** ~ Maureen Lien, Carol Wibralski, Curt & Linda Hanson  
**Communion Set-up/Take-down** ~ Judy Taylor & Jackie Zahn  
**Communion Assistants** ~ Bobbie Rawinski & Kristen Lien  
**Offering Counters** ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl  
**Musician** ~ Judy Rusch **Choir Director** ~ Vicki Schuh  
**Nursery** ~ Jenna Christensen **Audio Ministry** ~ Karen Hayes  
**Coffee Hour** ~ Light Circle **Church Lock up** ~ Judy Rusch

## *~Prayers~*

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.** Thank you. \*Denotes new/changed request.

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of John and Amy Lindstrom.

### **God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...**

-Tamisha Bogert

-Sylvia Gerlach

-Sara Depies

-Justin Bloomer

-Bryan Porter

-Phyllis Vergenz

-Kevin Porter

-Lowell Severson

-Ann Nottestad

-Lukas Christofferson

-Lyle Walheim

-Greg Kapsner

-Tom Leach\*

-The grieving families of Lukas Christofferson\*, Dwight Christianson and Rosalyn Luciana Lindman

### **God's protection & safety for people of the world.**

-For the work of Lutheran Disaster Response.

### **God's protection and safety for those being deployed...**

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty.)

# *~Calendar~*

## **Sunday, April 22, 2018**

- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee Hour
- 10:15am Confirmation/Sunday School ~ Youth Sunday Practice
- 2:00pm Choir Practice
- 2:30pm Hymn Sing, followed by reception
- 6:00pm Youth Gathering Bus Dinner at Grace Lutheran, Cambridge

## **Tuesday, April 24, 2018**

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:30am Prayers for Our People
- 10am-1pm Pastor's Office Hours
- 12:00pm Area Senior Dining @ Amundson Center, Cambridge
- 1:00pm Clergy Text Study
- 7:00pm Climate Change Presentation at Grace Lutheran, Cambridge

## **Wednesday, April 25, 2018**

- 1:30pm Pastors Meeting at EKLC
- 6:00pm Confirmation

## **Thursday, April 26, 2018**

- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly

## **Friday, April 27, 2018**

- Office Closed
- Pastor's Day Off
- 12:00pm Area Senior Dining @ Amundson Center, Cambridge

## **Saturday, April 28, 2018**

- 8:00am Church Grounds Spring Clean Up
- 10am-3pm Youth Gathering event at Lutherdale

## **Sunday, April 29, 2018**

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee Hour
- 10:15am Confirmation/Sunday School ~ Youth Sunday Practice
- 10:15am New Membership Class

## ~Announcements~

**SPRING CLEAN UP DAY AT EAST KOSHKONONG!** Come one, come all for the annual church yard clean-up day, **Saturday, April 28, 2018 beginning at 8 a.m.** Bring your garden tools, gloves etc. and join other members of our congregation in completing spring clean-up of both church yards. All ages are welcome, let's make this an intergenerational event! Rain date is Saturday, May 5 at 8 a.m. There is also a sign-up sheet located on the table in the Narthex for those who would like to sign up for a yard cleaning task other than on Saturday, April 28. We have lots to do to keep our grounds looking great!

***“The Cause of Climate Change, Its Effects, and What We Can Do About it”*** by **Bob Lindmeier:** Tuesday, April 24 at 7pm at Grace Lutheran Church Common Room, 501 Skogan Road, Cambridge. More information posted in the Narthex.

**New Membership Class April 29 at 10:15am** This meeting is for anyone interested in membership at East Koshkonong Lutheran. Bring your questions about the church and have a conversation with Pastor Brenda. We will meet in the council room (across the hall from the office)

**Youth Sunday May 6th:** Join us for a fun day as we wrap up our year! We will kick the day off with the Youth Service followed by brunch. After we serve brunch, we will head to Madison and team up to see if we can "Escape" in time. If we make it out, we will have ice cream and head back to EKLC around 3PM. We will arrange transport from EKLC to Madison. Volunteers to drive and chaperones are welcome!

**Youth Gathering Fundraiser** Support our youth going to the 2018 Youth Gathering in Houston. There is a wall of envelopes in the narthex with a number on each envelope. Please take one or more and fill it with money to equal or exceed the amount on the envelope. Please put your name on the envelope and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity!

**Area Senior Dining** Join others from our community at the Amundson Center on Tuesdays and Fridays at noon for Area Senior Dining. Enjoy a delicious healthy meal and conversation. Open to anyone over the age of 60. For questions and to make reservations please call 608-838-7117.

**(Reservations need to be made at least 24 hours before)** Suggested donation of \$4.



# Hymn Sing



**CELEBRATING THE MUSIC OF  
MARTIN LUTHER**  
at  
**East Koshkonong Lutheran Church**  
**April 22, 2018 ~ TODAY!!**  
**2:30 p.m.**

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS  
SOLOIST, DUETS  
CHURCH CHOIRS  
PASTORAL MEDITATIONS**

*“Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple trees” ~ Martin Luther*

## *~Attendance Report~*

April 15, 2018: No Worship due to weather  
 April 8, 2018: 83  
 April 1, 2018: 145  
 March 25, 2018: 121

## *~Offering Report~*

Offerings for 4/8/18	April Offerings to meet Budget Goal	April Offerings to Date
\$ 4,239.25	\$ 22,799.02	\$ 9,383.39

Offerings for 4/15/18	April Offerings to meet Budget Goal	April Offerings to Date
CANCELLED	\$ 22,799.02	\$ 9,383.39