

WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP WITH US: We hope you will find the service meaningful and our fellowship friendly. If you are a guest, please sign the guest book in the narthex.

All who seek the living presence of Jesus in their lives are welcome at the Lord's table.

Children who do not yet receive communion may come to receive a blessing.

Grape juice fills the center cups of each tray.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PRESIDING MINISTER.....Rev. Emma Grinde
ACOLYTE AT 10:00AM AT MINDOROMarley Dobbs
LECTORSCindy Tracey - 6:30am, Ivy Endris - 8:30am
.....Ginny Wegner - 10:00am
ORGANIST Sharon Pfaff
AV VOLUNTEERS.....Jason Knipe, Russell Van Riper
.....Becky Whalen, Lara Hines, Kay Pfaff, Crystal Sbraggia
HEAD USHERSJerome Nelson, Russell Van Riper, Dave Whalen
..... Dale Kirchner - 6:30am, Rick Dobbs - 10:00am
USHERSLes Bryhn, Jacob Brhyn - 6:30am
.....Connor Christopherson, Brett Gerdes - 8:30am
.....Aaron Stetzer, Adam Stetzer - 10:00am
COMMUNION HELPERSJim & Lara Hines - 6:30am
.....Jenna Euler, 8:30am, Kim Shlifer, Brewer Schlifer - 10:00am
FELLOWSHIP HOSTS AT MINDORO.....Daina Dobbs, Kay Johnson
.....Angie Werner
COUNTERS..... JoAnn Nelson, Kay Timm, Jodi Anderson, Alice Baumer

Coffee Fellowship Volunteers Needed at Mindoro Lutheran

If you would like to volunteer, there is a clipboard with a sign up sheet in the Narthex - or call Mona in the church office, 608-857-3474.

Volunteers are needed for April 21 & 28, and all of May.

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EASTER SUNDAY

MARCH 31, 2024

6:30AM MINDORO

8:30AM LEWIS VALLEY

10:00AM MINDORO

AND LIVE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGES

Please stand as able at parts marked *

EASTER PROCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Paschal Candle is lit.

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Thanks be to God!

*HYMN*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today***365**

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 118: 14-24 *read responsively*

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:**

“The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!”

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,**

and declare the works of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;**

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰“This is the gate of the LORD;
here the righteous may enter.”

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.**

²²The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 31..... No Sunday School
- April 1 Men’s Breakfast at Top Dawg’s, 8:00am
- April 1 Church office closed
- Monday & Tuesday Quilting at Mindoro, 9:00am-2:00pm
- April 3 Confirmation meets at Mindoro, 6:30pm-7:30pm
- April 7 Worship at Lewis Valley, 8:30am
- April 7 Joint Sunday School at Mindoro, 9:00am
- April 7 Lewis Valley W-ELCA meets after worship
- April 7 Worship at Mindoro, 10:00am
- April 8 Councils meet at Mindoro, 6:30pm
- April 10, 17, 24 Confirmation meets at Mindoro, 6:30pm-7:30pm
- April 14, 21, 28 Worship at Lewis Valley, 8:30am
- April 14, 21, 28 Joint Sunday School at Mindoro, 9:00am
- April 14, 21, 28 Worship at Mindoro, 10:00am
- April 14 Synod Assembly Caucus at First Lutheran - Onalaska, 3:00pm
- April 17 Vacation Bible School meeting, 5:15pm
- April 18-24 Pastor Emma out of office on vacation
- April 20.... W-ELCA Spring Convention at Our Redeemer - La Crosse, 8:00am
- April 21 Pastor Emma & Heather’s Wedding Day
- April 22 May Newsletter information due
- April 22 Bethany Lutheran Homes/Eagle Crest Annual Meeting
- April 25 Rebekah Circle meets, 1:00pm
- April 29 Campus Ministry Cookies to Mindoro Lutheran by 3:00pm

Job Opening: Lewis Valley Custodian

Applications and the Job Description are available on the church website, Lewis Valley Lutheran Church, and Mindoro Lutheran Church. The job is 4-6 hours per week, scheduling is flexible, and the compensation is \$325/month. Goal starting date is 5/1/24. Applications are due to the church office (mailing, dropping off in person,



or emailing to min.lv.elca@gmail.com) by Monday 4/15/24 at 3pm.

*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace, Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God!

*POSTLUDE

EASTER FELLOWSHIP

At Mindoro Lutheran, enjoy coffee fellowship with sweet treats in the church basement after the 6:30 Sunrise Worship through 10:00am and then again after the 10:00am Worship.

EASTER FLOWERS

Please take your Easter Flowers home with you today after worship.
Thank you for sharing them to brighten this Easter morning.

QUILTING AT MINDORO LUTHERAN

The quilters at Mindoro have ended their sewing until fall. Thank you to all who contributed materials to be able to keep many people warm.

During your spring house cleaning, please keep this project in mind.

The 3rd Sunday of each month will be Noisy Offering Sunday.

Save your coins (paper money & checks are definitely accepted too!) for the 3rd Sunday of each month's Noisy Offering.

On April 21, 2024 our Noisy Offering will go to Holmen's Home.

A reminder to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to a charity of your choice before the deadline of TODAY, March 31, 2024.

Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*Alleluia*.....page 151

* The holy gospel according to Mark, the 16th chapter.

* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

* Mark 16:1-8

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

* The gospel of the Lord.

* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMONRev. Emma Grinde

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* NICENE CREED

**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

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You may choose to share the peace with a handshake, wave, peace sign, or touching elbows. In the midst of cold and flu season, and always, you are encouraged to share the peace in whatever way is most comfortable for you.

OFFERING

* OFFERTORY HYMN..... *Give Thanks*..... **screen**

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day
our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver
us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

*BLESSING

You are called as disciples of hope
in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of God
who calls you into the life of the dawning resurrection.
Almighty God,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

*SENDING HYMN..... *Thine Is the Glory* 376