

Community of the Cross Lutheran Church

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 31, 2024

Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

When 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]. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But 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. But 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.” So 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.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

Today's Worship Assistants:

Presiding Pastor: Christine Wenzel

8:45 Worship Service Volunteers:

- **Greeters:** Ron & Pat Nelson
- **Ushers:** Dale Magee, Julie Magee, Eric Holm, Bruce Lindberg
- **Children's Sermon:** Jenna Trenbeath
- **Reader:** Ken Waletzko
- **Communion Servers:** Ron Nelson, Lois Larson, Norma Monson
- **AV Team:** Bill Little, Jennifer Rodgers, Eric Nygren

10:45 Worship Service Volunteers:

- **Ushers:** Chuck Sletten, Jim Stoops, Claire McCoy
- **Children's Sermon:** Jenna Trenbeath
- **Reader:** Scott Swanson
- **Communion Server:** Dan Walker, Evan Walker, Elizabeth Perry
- **AV Team:** Stalin Ponnusamy, Margie Hartmann, Chris Abrahamson
- **Coffee Fellowship:** Jenna Trenbeath

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NEXT SUNDAY: Communion servers at both services and a reader at the 10:45 Service.

VOLUNTER NEEDS: The **10:45am Service** needs volunteers for reading the scripture lesson and assisting with communion each Sunday!

Fellowship Hour: There are only six Sundays remaining, until our summer schedule with one service begins. We need volunteers to help with fellowship through May 19.

Please see the sign-up sheet during coffee fellowship or sign up online at <https://www.cclcmn.org/atcclc.html>

THANK YOU to everyone that purchased a lily or other flower for Easter, and all of those that helped decorate the narthex, sanctuary and fellowship hall! Enjoy the beauty as we celebrate new life and the signs of spring!

VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN: Scuba VBS takes kids deep into an undersea adventure during a week of fun games, silly songs, engaging Bible stories, and messy activities! VBS will be held at CCLC from 9:00am-12:00pm, Mon. June 24th thru Thurs. June 27th. Participants and Volunteers can register online with the link in your weekly email or at cclcmn.org through May 14th.

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

FOR HEALTH & WELLBEING:

- Marvin & Phyllis Kuhlman
- Ian Ruhberg-Hendrickson, Jennie Hendrickson and Family
- Curt Peterson
- Jan Godfrey
- Elaine Thurston
- Dave Teslow
- Mark Roban, brother of Janelle Swanson

IN COMFORT AND SYMPATHY: Andrew Robinson and Family, on the passing of his Mother Maureen

IN OUR CONTINUING PRAYER FOR ALL CCLC HOUSEHOLDS: Zaira & Jeff Blackburn, Brad & Shannon Bodick, Benjamin & Amy Boeding, Natalie Boehne, Eric & Jenna Burfeind and Families.

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE: The call committee has completed its second round of interviews. We will be scheduling a third meeting with some of the candidates the week after Easter.

APRIL SAVE THE DATES:

Sunday, April 7th, 10:45am – Rite of First Communion
Wednesday, April 10th, 6:30pm – Confirmation resumes
Friday, April 19th, 5:45pm – Congregation wide Bingo at F3
Sunday, April 28th, 10:45am – Rite of Confirmation

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO TOUCH LIVES WITH THE LOVE OF GOD

VEAP—MARCH FOOD AND FUND DRIVE Please join us in supporting VEAP, the Twin Cities' largest food pantry, as we participate in the annual Minnesota FoodShare Campaign.

As spring arrives, so does a critical time for VEAP and the communities we serve. The March Food and Fund Drive is underway, and we need your support more than ever. Despite the warming weather, food donations typically decline this time of year, which places added strain on those already facing food insecurity.

Our goal is ambitious but necessary: raise \$300,000 and collect 100,000 pounds of food. With your help, we can **provide nearly 1 million meals** to individuals and families in need. Every dollar you donate will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$75,000, maximizing the impact of your generosity.

Your contribution, no matter the size, will make a significant difference. Please consider supporting VEAP's March Food and Fund Drive today. Together, we can ensure our neighbors have access to nutritious food during this critical time.

This Week At Community of the Cross

Today is March 31, 2024-Easter Sunday

	8:45 am	Traditional Worship w / Holy Communion
	9:45 am	NO Sunday School / Fellowship / FH
	9:45 am	Three Year Journey (3YJ) Rehearsal / SA
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship w/ Holy Communion
Mon 4/01	6:00 pm	Education Commission Meeting / RM 6-7
Tues 4/02	8:45 am	Faithfully Fit
	9:00 am	Men's Coffee Fellowship / MR
	10:15 am	Women's Bible Study / MR
Wed 4/03	6:30 pm	Jubilation Ringers Rehearsal
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

The Church Office will be closed Monday April 1, 2024

Next Sunday is April 7, 2024-Second Sunday of Easter

Scripture: Acts 4:32-35, John 20:19-31

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	9:45 am	Fellowship / FH / Sunday School
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	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship w / Holy Communion

GS=Gathering Space MR=Meeting room FH=Fellowship Hall 3-9=Classrooms MO=Main Offices
NX=Narthex NY=Nursery SA=Sanctuary YR=Youth Room

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