

# Third Sunday of Easter

## May 4, 2025

Prelude— <i>Praise to the Lord</i>	MICHEELSEN
Anthem— <i>Luther's Morning Prayer</i>	SCHALK
Postlude— <i>Toccata in C</i>	PACHELBEL

### Hymns: (Found in the red Hymnal)

Gathering— <i>Alleluia! Sing to Jesus</i>	ELW 392
Psalmody— Congregation will read	
Hymn of the Day— <i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>	ELW 666
Sending— <i>That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright</i>	ELW 384

### Scripture: (Found in the black pew Bible)

First Reading: Acts 9:1-20	Page 893
Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14	Page 997
Gospel Reading: John 21: 1-19	Page 883

### Psalm 30

1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lift- | ed me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph | over me.

**2 O Lord my God, I cried | out to you,  
and you restored | me to health.**

3 You brought me up, O Lord, | from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down | to the grave.

**4 Sing praise to the Lord, | all you faithful;  
give thanks in ho- | ly remembrance.**

5 God's wrath is short; God's favor | lasts a lifetime.  
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes | in the morning.

**6 While I felt se- | cure, I said,  
"I shall never | be disturbed.**

7 You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong | as the mountains."  
Then you hid your face, and I was | filled with fear.

**8 I cried to | you, O Lord;  
I pleaded with | my Lord, saying,**

9 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down | to the pit?  
Will the dust praise you or de- | clare your faithfulness?

**10 Hear, O Lord, and have mer- | cy upon me;  
O Lord, | be my helper."**

11 You have turned my wailing | into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed | me with joy.

**12 Therefore my heart sings to you | without ceasing;  
O Lord my God, I will give you | thanks forever.**

<b>SERVERS</b>		<b><u>Today</u></b>	<b><u>Next Week</u></b>
<i>Greeters</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Gail Marcum</i>
<i>Lector</i>	....	<i>Melba Murphy</i>	<i>Pam Hanfland</i>
<i>Worship</i>	....	<i>Melba Murphy</i>	<i>Marie Lybrand</i>
		<b><u>MAY</u></b>	<b><u>JUNE</u></b>
<i>Ushers</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Jim Garner</i>
		<i>*Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>
<i>Tellers</i>	....	<i>Pam Hanfland &amp; Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Linda Griffith &amp; Caroline Raszewski</i>
<i>Offering Pickup</i>	....	<i>Pam Hanfland</i>	<i>Jim Garner</i>
<i>Property</i>	....	<i>Steve Nivens</i>	<i>Jim Garner</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	....	<i>Isma Boland &amp; Melba Murphy</i>	<i>Charles &amp; Ruth Nicholson</i>

OFFERING	Last Sunday	Total for April
General	\$13,015.00	\$37,534.00
Online General	\$ 4,178.88	\$ 6,034.52
Total	\$17,193.88	\$43,568.52
Building Maint. & Prop. Imp.	\$ 1,520.00	\$ 2,700.00
Online BMPI	\$ 66.63	\$ 568.02
Total	\$ 1,586.62	\$ 3,268.02

**God's Helping Hands** current needs are: Jiffy mix, spaghetti sauce, regular cooking oil, juice, crackers, cookies, flour, sugar, jello, pudding, dry milk, mixed vegetables and ramen noodles. Please place donations in the designated container in the Cameron Hallway.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of all the May birthdays by Steve & Beverly Nivens.

**Wednesday Bible Study** will resume on May 7 at 10:30 am in the Conference Room.

**May Razberries** will be hosted by Sallie & David Hutto at Tavern on 6, 2914 Dreher Shoals Road, Columbia. Join us at 5:30 pm, Saturday, May 17 (Note Date Change). RSVP to Sallie via text or call @ (803) 414-6009 by Monday, May 12.

**The Cameron/Rebekah Circle** will meet for lunch tomorrow, May 5 at La Cienaga at 11:00 for lunch. Those who want to ride together should meet at the church at 10: 50, parking is limited.

<i>Sunday</i>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
<i>(May 4)</i>	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:15 am	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Communion
	11:45 am	Church Council
Monday	11:00 am	Cameron/Rebekah Circle
Wednesday	10:30 am	Bible Study
Thursday	7:00 pm	Handbell Practice
<i>Sunday</i>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
<i>(May 11)</i>	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:15 am	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Communion

Those on our **Prayer list** below have special prayer needs at this time. We keep the entire congregation in our prayers at all times, but sometimes special prayers are needed. If your name is on the list or you have added someone's name and they no longer need to be on the list, please contact the church office so the name can be removed. Names on the prayer list are left on for two months, but may be extended upon request.

*Rosemary Abercombie (friend  
of Elizabeth Shealy)*

*Gary Black*

*Phyllis Calamas*

*Greg Chapman*

*Jeannie Chapman*

*Katie Doble*

*Sierra Dunaway (friend of  
Caroline Raszewski)*

*Carol Green (mother of  
Beth Cleland)*

*Don Horton*

*Horace Meetze*

*Anne Moyer*

*Steve Rucker*

*Marie Shealy (National  
Health Care)*

*Jane & DeLeon Wallace*

### **A Note from Pastor Joanna**

Friends,

Beginning Sunday, May 25, 2025, you'll notice a new look to our Sunday worship materials. In an effort to simplify and streamline our bulletins, we will no longer be using the *Celebrate* insert. Instead, the leaflet you're holding is an example of what our new weekly inserts will look like moving forward.

These new inserts will include everything you need for worship each Sunday—readings, hymns, announcements, and any additional notes to help you participate fully. Our goal is to make things clearer and more accessible, while also being good stewards of our time and resources.

This week's insert is a test run so you can get familiar with the new format before it officially begins. I'm grateful to our worship team and to our office staff for the thoughtful work that went into making this shift possible.

Thanks for rolling with this change—and for showing up, as always, with open hearts.

Peace,  
**Pastor Joanna**