

# Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

\*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

## Our Approach to God

Prelude Recercar Cromaticho G. Frescobaldi

The Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Let us give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Because of his great mercy, he gave us new life by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.**

This fills us with a living hope.

**And so, we look forward to possessing the rich blessings that God keeps for his people.**

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\*The Hymn of Praise That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright 121

\*The Call to Confession

The Lord says, "Come now, let us settle the matter. Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." Claiming this promise from God, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

\*The Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, you have shown us the way of life through your Son, Jesus Christ. When we accept your offer of salvation, but fail to walk in your ways, forgive us. When we allow doubts to overwhelm us and take our eyes off you, forgive us. When we judge our brothers**

**and sisters in their times of struggle, forgive us. When fear keeps us from witnessing to your truth, forgive us. Search us, O God, and know our hearts.**

**Test us and know our thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in us, and lead us in the way everlasting. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Know that in Jesus, God embraces you, forgives you, and strengthens you to live a renewed life. **Thanks be to God.**

\*The Gloria Patri 579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

The Anthem As the Deer S. Pethel  
Chancel Choir

## The Word of God

The Sacrament of Baptism

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism:

Alice Louise Anthony

Daughter of Justin & Autumn Anthony

Jameson Dean Rychel

Son of Tyler & Elizabeth Rychel

Baptismal Hymn (seated) *Baptized in Water* (verse 3) 492

***Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;  
Born of the Spirit, We are God's children,  
Joyfully now God's praises we sing.***

The New Testament Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9 page 1727

The Gospel Reading John 20:19-31 page 1546

The Sermon Rev. Wally Mayton

## Our Response to Serve

\*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) page 14

\*The Hymn We Know That Christ Is Risen 495

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

**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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.**

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory Jubilee for Bells B. Kinyon  
JuBELLation Choir

\*The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*The Hymn Thine Is the Glory 122

\*The Charge and Benediction

Postlude Paraphrase on a Chorus in Judas Maccabaeus A. Guilman

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**Liturgist:** Kitty Myers

**Greeter:** Sandra Rease

**Ushers:**

**Fellowship Hour:** The Sovas

**The flowers today are** in celebration of Ed & Gail Hak's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

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Jesus,  
is alive

*Seeking and Serving Christ, We are a Place for Growing Christians.*

## Mission News



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