

# Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 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 Adagio in E Major Bridge

The Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Let us worship the eternal God,

**the source of love and life, who creates us.**

Let us worship Jesus Christ,

**the risen one, who has saved us and who lives among us.**

Let us worship the Spirit,

**the holy fire, who renews us.**

Come, let us offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*The Hymn of Praise Celebrate With Joy and Singing 107

\*The Call to Confession

Because we were held in bondage to sin, it was necessary for Christ, the Messiah, to suffer and to die on the cross. But on the third day, God raised him to life and gave him glory. Our faith and our hope are fixed on God who hears our prayers. Let us boldly come before his throne in repentance.

\*The Prayer of Confession

**Compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy. We confess that so often we take your lavish gift of grace for granted. Forgive us. We confess that we have sinned against you in**

**thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. Forgive us. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.** [Silent Confession.]

**Merciful God, forgive our sins. Help us to walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon

It is through the costly sacrifice of Christ, who was like a lamb without defect or flaw, that the penalty for our sins has been paid and that we are set free from the bondage of sin. In Christ, our sins are forgiven and we are set free.

**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 I Will Give Jubilant Thanks Chancel Choir

## The Word of God

The Time with the Children April Mission Focus Kitty Myers

The Epistle Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23 page 1728

The Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35 page 1507

The Sermon Rev. Michael Hahn

## Our Response to Serve

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

\*The Hymn My Faith Looks Up to Thee 383

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                      This Joyful Eastertide                      Wood

\*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                      Good Christian All, Rejoice and Sing!                      111

\*The Charge and Benediction

\*The Congregational Response      *Go with Us, Lord*                      535  
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
That in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**

Postlude                      Chorale Prelude on a Melody                      Willan

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**Liturgist:** Karen Kalina

**Greeter:**

**Ushers:** Patty Donahue and Randy Wierda

**Fellowship Hour:** Adam Engel

**Flowers** today are in memory of Ginny Rusch, whose funeral was here yesterday.

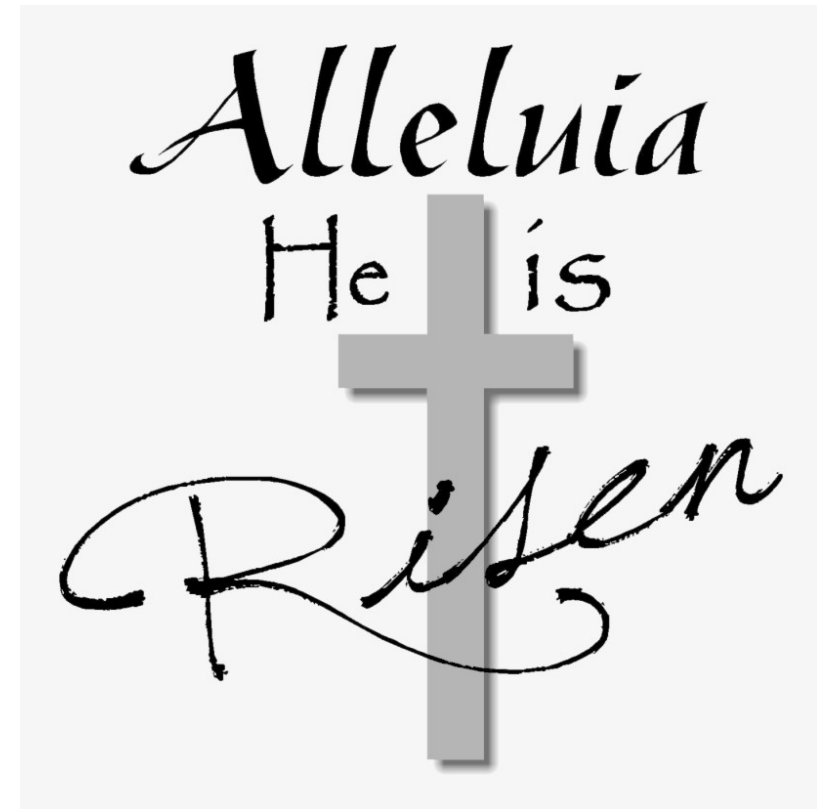
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# Announcements & Upcoming Events

**The April Mission Focus** on the Presbyterian Giving Catalog kicks off today! Our goal is to raise \$1,300 for the Family Farm Bundle, with any extra going toward Families of Chickens (\$25), pairs of goats (\$178), piglets (\$40), etc. Donations can be made using special pew envelopes, or designating “Giving Catalog” on the memo line of your check. Here is the link to a video from PC(USA) that shows where the gift of goats & other support has made a huge difference! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-a2l4nfkQkbut>



## **Mowing Team – Only 1 person needed!**

The Sign-up sheet is out for the Mowing Team. Each team will be responsible for mowing the grass at the church on an assigned week. Only **one more** volunteer is needed! Please contact Doug Engel if you have any questions.

**How can you help serve on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>?** Sign up to be an Usher, Liturgist, or Greeter. Please see the sign-up sheets on the table in the gathering area near the sanctuary doors.

**Office Hours:** The Administration Committee is working on a solution to staff the church office. In the meantime, please email any regular business to [secretary@spcsaginaw.org](mailto:secretary@spcsaginaw.org) or leave a message on the church voicemail. Emails and voicemails are checked regularly. Your grace and patience is extremely appreciated during this time. If you have questions please contact one of the Administration Committee members: Andrea Drapp, Samantha Engel, or Tammi Sova.

**Our thoughts and prayers** are with the family of Sally Tinney, who passed away on Friday, April 3, 2026.