

**Welcome!** We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. We invite you to worship with us again! Restrooms are in the basement near the steps in the back of the church.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and the Sacraments. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.

**Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:**

**Maundy Thursday:** 246 (144, 102)      **Communion:** 148 (67, 81)  
**Good Friday:** 307 (124, 183)      **Communion:** 194 (80, 114)  
**Easter:** 533 (75, 456)      **Communion:** 235 (35, 200)  
**Bible Study:** 40 (8, 32)

Thursday	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Class, church
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Remodeling the locker rooms
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	5:30 p.m.	New Life in Christ Class
	6:30 p.m.	His Word – My Life Bible Study, church
Monday	7:00 a.m.	His Word – My Life Bible Study, Crossroads Café
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study, school
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, Church Basement
	6:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee, school
	8:00 p.m.	Packer stand meeting, school
Wednesday	4:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class
	8:15 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Naomi Circle, Café
	1:00 p.m.	Fun day
	7:30 p.m.	Worship with communion
	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Class, church
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Class
	9:00 a.m.	Easter Festival Worship with Communion
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	5:30 p.m.	New Life in Christ Class
	6:30 p.m.	His Word – My Life Bible Study, church



**It has pleased** our Lord to call the soul of Rose Lemke to her heavenly home. Rose went to heaven Saturday, April 7. She received a Christian funeral on Wed., April 11. Please remember all who mourn in prayer.

**Open Forum** There will be an Open Forum after worship on Sunday. Everyone in the congregation is invited to join us and offer their input.

**Youth Group Bible Study** will meet Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the school basement. Open gym will follow.

**His Word—My Life Bible Study** will continue our study of *Jesus' "I Am" Statements* this week. This week we will look at "I am the Light of the

World." Join us Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement or Monday at 7:00 a.m. at Cindy's Café.

**Tuesday Bible Study** will begin our study of Habakkuk this week. Please join us Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

**Packer Stand Meeting** will be Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in the school basement.

**Adult Christ Light Bible Study** Please join us as we study *Jesus' enemies deny the resurrection*. We will meet Thursday at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Bring the family!

**Voters Meeting** The quarterly voters meeting will be after worship on April 22. All voting members are encouraged to make plans to attend.

**MLHS Hot Lunch** We will serve hot lunch at Manitowoc Lutheran on May 1. Sign up sheets for donations and volunteers are in the basement.

**LWMS Rally** at Trinity, Brillion is Tuesday, April 17. Registration is at 8:15a.m. Opening service is at 9:00a.m. All are invited. If you plan to attend, contact Diane Dobberpuhl. (\$5.00 registration includes lunch)

**Building Update** This past week the entry way, ramp, and exterior footing were all poured. Water lines and the tie in to the existing sewer line is complete. This week they will work on the underslab to get ready to pour the concrete floor. Donations continue to come in from the wish list. Thank you to all who donated items or money. For a complete list of items check the May Church Newsletter.

**Addition Cleaning** The congregation decided to do the weekly cleanup in the school addition. For the weekly cleanup we will go down the church directory alphabetically and assign families to certain weekends in May-July. If you do not wish to be assigned a date or are unable to help clean, please speak to Jeff Leick or Brian Humann. A complete list of the cleaning schedule will go out in the May Church Newsletter.

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

April 12 & 15, 2007

**Peace Through Jesus  
 Know it. Live it. Share it.**

*Lord, you were put to death for my sins and raised to life for my justification. Bless me as I rejoice in your resurrection today! Amen*

**THURSDAY**

**Service:** Evening Prayer (p. 52)

**Hymns:** 225, 165, 321

**Psalm Prayer**

*Lord Jesus, keep our minds fixed on your precious Word and our thoughts on your glorious victory over death so that we may know the joy of your resurrection and share the pleasures of the saints at your right hand, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**Psalm of the Day**

Psalm 16 (p.68)

**Sermon:** John 20:19-23

**I Am Sending You**

In peace

In power

**SUNDAY**

**Service:** Word (p. 38)

**Hymns:** 225, 165, 265, 321

**Prayer of the Day**

*O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**Special Music:** Sunday School

*O How I Love Jesus* (after Gospel)

Mabel Krahn: Musical Offering

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter: Series C

*Jesus' resurrection gives us a new life filled with joy and peace.*

### First Lesson: Acts 5:12,17-32

The apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon's Colonnade.

Then the high priest and all his associates, who were members of the party of the Sadducees, were filled with jealousy. They arrested the apostles and put them in the public jail. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. "Go, stand in the temple courts," he said, "and tell the people the full message of this new life."

At daybreak they entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people.

When the high priest and his associates arrived, they called together the Sanhedrin—the full assembly of the elders of Israel—and sent to the jail for the apostles. But on arriving at the jail, the officers did not find them there. So they went back and reported, "We found the jail securely locked, with the guards standing at the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside." On hearing this report, the captain of the temple guard and the chief priests were puzzled, wondering what would come of this.

Then someone came and said, "Look! The men you put in jail are standing in the temple courts teaching the people." At that, the captain went with his officers and brought the apostles. They did not use force, because they feared that the people would stone them.

Having brought the apostles, they made them appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood."

Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than men! The God of our fathers raised Jesus from the dead—whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might give repentance and forgiveness of sins to Israel. We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

### Psalm of the Day: Psalm 16 (page 68)

### Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4-18

John, To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea."

I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, and among the lampstands was someone "like a son of man," dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and out of his mouth came a sharp double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

### Gospel: John 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

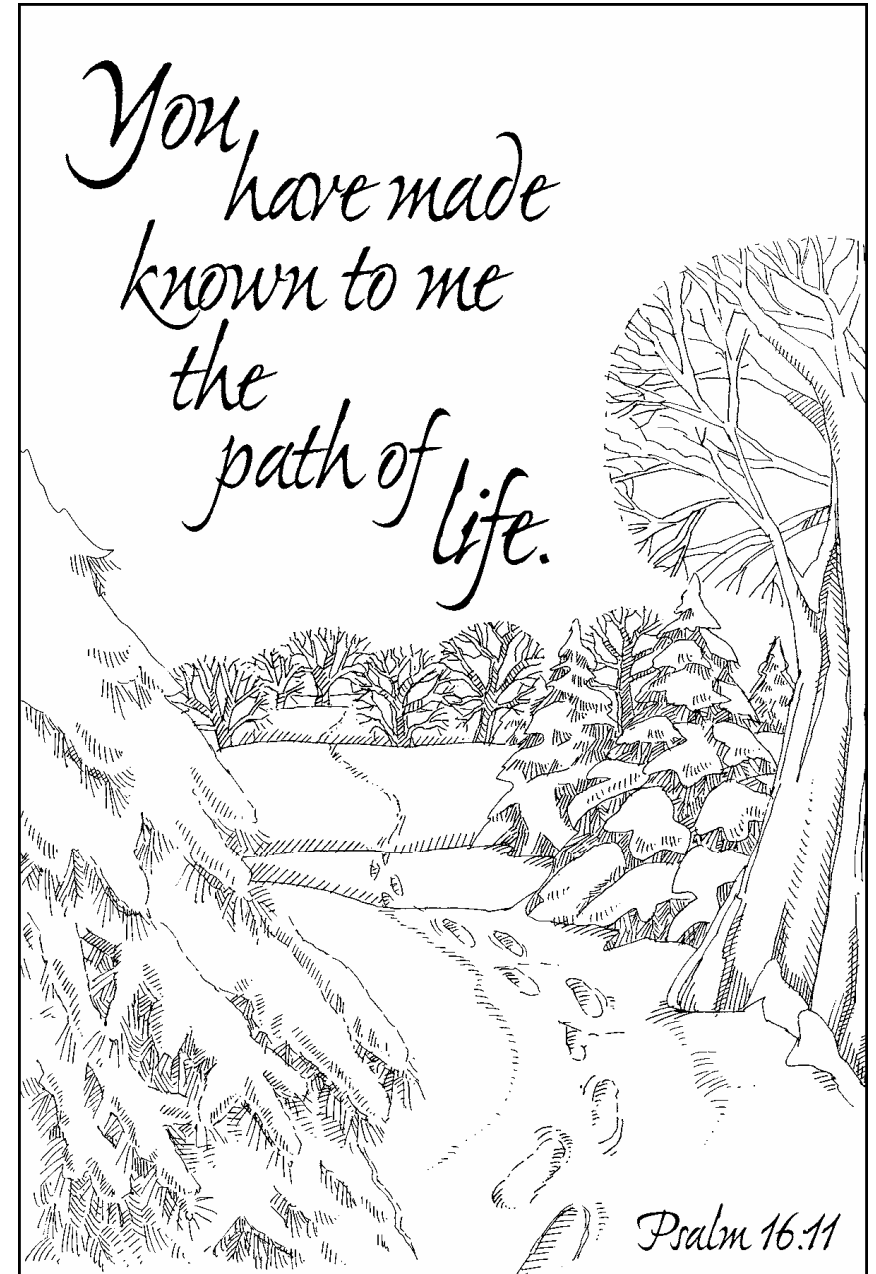
But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.



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