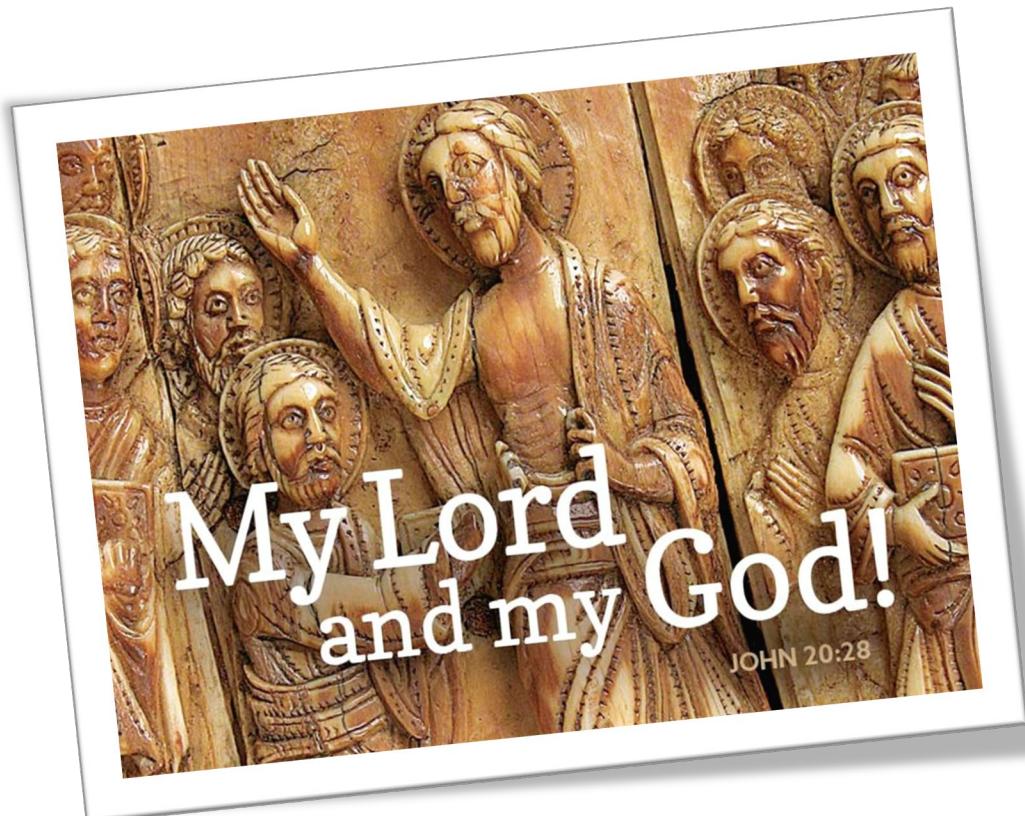


Sunday Celebration

Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025 ~ 10:00a

Lutheran Church of the Foothills ~ Tucson, Arizona



Assembly speaks responses in dark print.

P: Presiding Minister leads

A: Assisting Minister leads

L: Lector/Proclaimer leads

Welcome to Lutheran Church of the Foothills

We are grateful that you are joining us in worship today. Please note the following information so that your time with us is spiritually uplifting and comfortable.

Holy Communion: All are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. There is no age requirement. It is God's table, not ours, and all are invited. If you are spiritually hungry, come and be fed.

How to Commune: There will be two stations. At the ushers' invitation, come up the center aisle and hold your hands out to receive the host (gluten-free cracker). You may either dip the host in the split chalice or place the host in your mouth and pick up an individual cup of red wine or white grape juice to drink. After you drink the cup, place your empty cup in the lined container before returning to your seat via the side aisle. If you choose to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. If you prefer to remain seated, please indicate this to the usher, and communion will be brought to you.

Offering: Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran Church of the Foothills' mission and ministry. Offering baskets will be passed during the service. You may contribute by placing your offering in the basket (giving envelopes are in the pews), giving online at our website, or scanning the QR code found in this bulletin. **All loose cash** placed in the basket is automatically designated for our current month's Community Service emphasis. Undesignated cash and checks placed in the pew envelopes are directed toward the general fund.

Recordings: This service is being recorded and live-streamed.

Pray-Ground: We enjoy having our children in worship, and we delight in their ability to see and experience all that is happening in the worship space. We invite you to sit anywhere you are comfortable. There is a special place in the front, pulpit side of the sanctuary designated the Pray-Ground, where children can worship, wiggle, play, color, learn, and grow as part of our faith community. Caregivers are encouraged to sit where children can see them when they are using the Pray-Ground, in case they need assistance.

Restrooms: Restrooms are located down the east hallway between the Activities Room and the front entrance of the building. These restrooms are handicap accessible and each contains a changing table. There is a gender-neutral facility in the Learning Center, located at the end of the west hallway past the church offices.

Hearing Assistance: Please switch to a T-coil setting on your hearing aids to take advantage of the induction loop. The ushers can provide you with headphones to wear during the service if you desire.

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Weekly Footnotes: If you would like to subscribe to our weekly newsletter, visit the bottom of the homepage of our website: <https://www.foothillslutherantucson.org/>

Prelude “Sonata II in A Minor” I. Larghetto, II. Allegro

George Frideric Handel

Ulrich Michael, treble recorder, and Chad Pittman, organist

Welcome to Worship

Pastor Naomi Hartman

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of  the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit’s power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn “This Is The Day” (sing twice)

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the
Lord has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be
glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the

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Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

Greeting

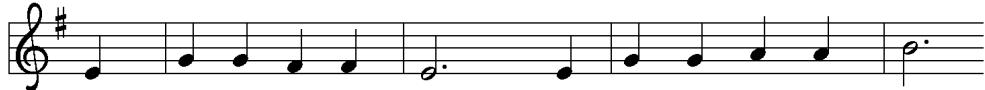
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

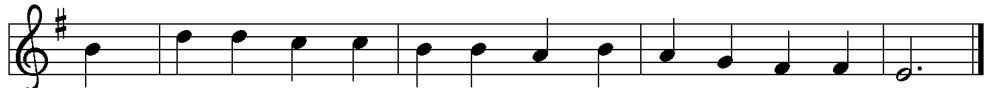
Please be seated.

Kyrie

(ELW Setting 10, p. 203)



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

Canticle of Praise

(ELW Setting 10, p. 204)



- 1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs with an - gels round the throne;
- 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
- 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
- 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
"Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray.

(A brief silence.)

A: O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath, revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Reading: Acts 5:27-32

L: A reading from Acts.

²⁷ When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Gospel Acclamation

(ELW Setting 10, p. 205)

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

P: The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.

²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands.

Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Children's Message

Pastor Naomi Hartman

All young people are welcomed forward.

Message

Pastor Naomi Hartman

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Hymn of the Day "We Walk by Faith"

(ELW 635)

1. We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2. We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4. For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
 5. And when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you

none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight."

A New Creed

United Church of Canada, 1968

A: Let us proclaim our faith in the words of A New Creed.

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Please be seated.

Prayers of the People

A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: Inspire the church with the breath of your Holy Spirit, that we sing the good news of the resurrection. Inspire deacons and pastors, lay leaders and bishops to boldly proclaim your love for all people. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A: Kindle in the nations a spirit of cooperation and mutual care. Raise up creative and courageous leaders committed to shaping just solutions to complex challenges in our local and global communities (*current issues of concern may be named*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A: Embrace all who carry wounds, that they might know your compassion. Draw near to those with chronic pain or anxiety, and all for whom death is near. Comfort individuals and communities suffering in any way. We remember especially those we now name aloud or in our hearts. (*Pause.*)

Prayer list: baby Falconer and family; Teri, Nancy, Hillary; Neill; JoAnn; Brian S., Trujillo family; Krista B.; Sheri; Terinia S., Susan H.; Gilbert; Bill V; Julian; Donna U., Mari; Jean; Robert; Bryce; Sue.

A: We also lift up the friends and family of Don Schultz who completed his baptismal journey on April 12. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A: We join together in our Community Service prayer for this month:

Holy God, we give thanks for the sacred gift of water. We pray for our Native American siblings who have cared for this land and its waters since time immemorial, especially those now living near the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission. As we work with the Mission to bring clean water to

those in need, help us honor the land, protect creation, and walk with gratitude. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

A: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You are invited to verbally greet those in the pew around you.

Our Offering of Gifts

Thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministry of Lutheran Church of the Foothills. You are invited to place offerings in the baskets as they are passed. You can also contribute online at <https://secure.myvanco.com/YKPG/home> or by scanning the QR code.



At this time the ushers will bring the offering baskets forward to the Assisting Minister.

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Thanksgiving at the Table

P: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

(*ELW Setting 10, p. 207*)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was handed over, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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 trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass 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 and ever.
Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

Please be seated.

We experience the presence of our Lord in gifts of bread and wine, and all are welcome to Christ's table. Worship musicians and volunteers will be served first; then the ushers will direct the assembly forward row by row.

Lamb of God

(ELW Setting 10, p. 208)



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Song during Communion "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (sing 3 times)

(ELW 752)

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Song during Communion "Lord, Be Glorified"

(ELW 744)

1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo-ri - fied;
2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo-ri - fied;
3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo-ri - fied;
4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo-ri - fied;

in my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.
in our song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.
in your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.
in your world, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.

Blessing after Communion

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

A: Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

Mission Moment

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Sending Hymn “Christ Is Living: *Cristo Vive!*”

(ACS 934)



1 *Cris - to vi - ve, fue - rael llan - to, los la - men - tos y el pe - sar!*
1 Christ is liv - ing! Gone with sor - row! Tears and ter - ror, be no more.
2 For if Christ is not a - ris - en there is noth - ing to be - lieve.
3 Death is swal - lowed up in vic - t'ry; sin has lost its poi - son sting.

Ni la muer - te ni el se - pul - cro lo han po - di - do su - je - tar.
Death and grave, you now are noth - ing; Christ is free of ev - 'ry pow'r.
Je - sus' prom - ise is ac - comp - lished: "Since I live, you too shall live."
Life will blos - som from the grain sown, Christ the first fruits of the spring.

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No bus - quéis en - tre los muer - tos al que siem - pre ha de vi - vir.
Why then seek the liv - ing Sav - ior in the haunts of death and fear?
Dust we are, to dust re - turn - ing, but in Christ we are re - stored.
For the sure - ness of sal - va - tion let us sing, "Thanks be to God!"



¡Cris - to vi - ve! es - tas nue - vas por do - quier de -jad o - ir.
Christ is ris - en! Shout the good news so that all the world may hear.
Doubt dis - pel - ling, claim the tri - umph: Je - sus is the liv - ing Lord!
Christ is ris - en! We are liv - ing! Spread the word of grace a - broad.



2 *Que si Cristo no viviera,
vana fuera nuestra fe;
mas se cumple su promesa:
"Porque vivo, viveréis."
Si en Adán entró la muerte,
por Jesús la vida entró;
no temáis, el triunfo es vuestro:
¡El Señor resucitó!*

3 *Si es verdad que de la muerte
el pecado es agujón,
no temáis pues Jesucristo
nos da vida y salvación.
Gracias demos al Dios Padre
que nos da seguridad,
que quien cree en Jesucristo
vive por la eternidad.*

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ, you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude “Sonata II in A Minor” III. Adagio, IV. Allegro *George Frideric Handel*
Ulrich Michael, treble recorder, and Chad Pittman, organist

We thank those who are serving for worship this morning:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Naomi Hartman • Assisting Minister: Bethany B. •

Greeters: Janice M., Karol M. • Ushers: Marit H., Roger H. • Proclaimer: Tim J. •

Communion Servers: Justine W., Ariadne W., Patrice & Steve F., Vicky K. • Worship

Prep: Ellie Mae N. • Hospitality: Marlys D., Lonnie J., Ann K. • Service Visuals: Marty

L. • Audio/Visual Team: Liz Z., Marty L. • Musicians: Ulrich M., Gerry A., Kathleen R.,

Andy B.

Special thanks: We thank Chad Pittman for accompanying us this morning. Chad is currently a DMA student in Choral Conducting at the University of Arizona and holds a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from Michigan State University, a Master of Educational Administration from Cleveland State University, and a Bachelor of Music Education and Organ from Baldwin Wallace University Conservatory of Music.

About our Community Service Prayer:

Our Community Service giving emphasis for March and April is raising money for the Water Project of the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Rock Point, Arizona. Forty percent of the homes in Rock Point do not have running water. See more details on the Community Service display table in the narthex.



Lutheran Church of the Foothills is a member of the [Grand Canyon Synod](#) of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America ([ELCA](#)). As a [Reconciling in Christ](#) community, we welcome all to our congregation.



Purpose Statement:

Called and empowered to proclaim the radical love of Christ through lives of service.

Land Acknowledgement Statement:

Lutheran Church of the Foothills is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Tohono O'odham and Pascua Yaqui people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home. We acknowledge the historical injustices and colonialism perpetrated on these Indigenous Peoples, past and present, and we strive to be mindful of our complicity.

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