#### **Scripture Readings**

Apr. 7	Second Sunday of Easter	Acts 4:32-55	Psalm 148	1 John 1:1-2:2	John 20:19-31
Apr. 14	Third Sunday of Easter	Acts 3:11-21	Psalm 4	1 John 3:1-7	Luke 24:36-49
Apr. 21	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Acts 4:1-12	Psalm 23	1 John 3:16-24	John 10:11-18

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast for the year 2024. There are a number openings that still to need to be filled. The number of openings available are in () after the month. Available openings are in September (1) & October (1). Please see the sign-up book located in the Narthex to choose your week to sponsor for the cost of \$40. You can sponsor in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone or something special in your life to give thanks to God!

#### The Blessings of Marriage Seminar:

Marriage comes with its own set of challenges, whether you are newlyweds or celebrating your golden anniversary. Rev James Woelmer (pastor at Christ Lutheran in Manhattan) will dive into the Biblical significance of marriage, its enriching aspects, and how it enhances our understanding of Christ and the church. You are invited to attend either April 24 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm or April 27 from 3:00-5:00 pm at Christ Lutheran Church 4592 Green Valley Rd, Manhattan, KS. Please RSVP: jwoelmer@gmail.com or call 785-776-2227.

This Week's Schedule - April 6 through April 14				
Saturday Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM			
Monday Wednesday	Men's Bible Study - 7:00 PM <b>Bulletin Deadline - Noon</b> Midweek - 6:00 PM			
Next Saturday	Men's Fellowship Breakfast - 7:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM			
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM Unified Boards - 1:00 PM Parish Directors - 2:30 PM			

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# April~6~&~7,~2024 The Risen Christ Breathes His Peace in the Holy Absolution

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus appeared to His apostles on the first Easter Sunday. He "came and stood among them," and with His Word and the wounds in "his hands and his side," He granted them His peace (John 20:19–20). He sent them as ministers of the Gospel in His name to bestow the life-giving Holy Spirit for us and for His whole Church through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21–23). Through this apostolic ministry, He calls us to believe that He "is the Christ, the Son of God," so that by such faith we "may have life in his name" (John 20:31). The apostles "have seen and heard" this divine life manifested in the flesh of Christ, and those who succeed them in this apostolic ministry now proclaim that same Absolution to us, so that we "too may have fellowship" with the risen Christ, with the apostles and "with one another" (1 John 1:1–7). The one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church lives by "their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus," and all who believe this Word are "of one heart and soul," because in Him they truly have "everything in common" (Acts 4:32–33).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Brett & Heather Ohlde Celebrating 5th Wedding Anniversary.
The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$40.00.
A book is in the Narthex to sign-up for dates.

**WELCOME** to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

Second Sunday of Easter Hymn #s - LSB 464, 472, 477, 636, 790, 710, 924 SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Nola Schmale
Ushers Set. Connie Paronto/Sun. Nola Schmale
Jerry Siebold, Allan Schmale, Ethan Schuette

**Greeters** Jeremy & Kristi Hager **Live Stream** Jarrett Wachsnicht

Acolyte Aubrey Pfizenmaier, Brynley Langvardt
Communion Assistant Dave Jermark, Todd Pfizenmaier

**Altar Guild** Kristi Davis, Rita Wollenberg

Fellowship Host Stacey Howland

#### FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

**Preschool - Kindergarten** - meet in Preschool Room (Basement)

1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Tree Room (West Wing)

4th Grade - 6th Grade - meet in Puzzle Room (West Wing)

7th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)

Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total
Mar 23 & 24	28	149	177
Mar 28 - Maundy Thursday			93
Mar 29 - Good Friday			107
Mar 30 & 31	33	246	279

Family Education Attendance	Total
Mar 24	NC
Mar 31	NC

\*\*Sunday, April 21\*\* there will be special music during worship as the Children's Hand-Chime Choir will be performing. We are excited to have this addition to our worship.\*\*

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to do
Fellowship Host on Sunday Mornings. There is
a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who
would like to volunteer. Any questions talk to
Gene Ferguson or Pastor Tessaro.
Thank you!

#### Thank You

to everyone who added to our special Lenten and Easter Celebrations and to those who purchased Easter Lilies for the Sanctuary - all added so much to our worship!

The Easter Lilies can be picked up Sunday, April 7 following the worship service. All plants will be disposed of after that service.

## IN OUR PRAYERS Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Advena, Irma Burger, Georgie Dierking-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Bob Bauer, Lola Lehman-Liberty Place.

Health concerns: Marty Stenzel, Sharon Wachsnicht, Dena Hillman, Mark Meier, Carolyn Brown, Rhen Davis, Stan Ohlde, Kinsey Hillman, Loyde Hager, Janet Thurlow, Kay Osthoff, Larry Rakowsky, and Dee Noffsinger.

**Our outreach programs:** Small Group Ministry, St. Paul Preschool, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

#### **Larger Community Members**

Healing: Benjamin Willroth, Krystal McClain, Shawna Riffel, Brian, Joe Bunij, Gavin Carson, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Ken Henry, Dwight Ferguson, Melody Maki, Anna Lippe, Eunice Meyer, Sarah Tessaro, Jackie Monroe, Sharon Schweitzer, Lois Nash, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Megan Loberg, Brody Reed, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrlli, Taylor James, Sheila McGrew, Donald, Sandy Wohler, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, Kerri Brown, Ethan, Luke, and Ella Turner

**Military:** Kyle, David, Enrique, Liam, Cooper, Michael, and Evan.

Sorrow: Family & friends of Marla Forsyth

#### Friendship Circle

will be collecting Mites for Missions on Sunday, April 7th.

#### Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

You Matter Tour; LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

<u>Please remember to inform the church office</u> <u>when the person for whom you requested</u> prayer should be removed from the prayer list.

#### Celebrate the Savior VBS 2024

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 thru
Friday, May 31, 2024
& Sunday, June 2, 2024
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Sign up today for VBS! Throughout this program, we will emphasize how Jesus Gives Us Joy, through exciting games, lively music, and more!
Let's CELEBRATE the Savior!
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#### Men's breakfast fellowship -- April 13.

Our next men's breakfast fellowship is scheduled for April 13 at 7:30 am.

We will meet in the basement fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Caleb Davis so we can prepare the proper amount of food. Text or call Caleb at 785-447-1694.

Join us for this relaxed and enjoyable event!

#### **UNIFIED BOARDS**

will meet on Sunday, April 14 at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary and Parish Director's Meeting will follow at 2:30 PM. All board members and officers are encouraged to participate.