

On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

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All are welcome here
All people of faith, All people of doubt
All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression
All people who seek a compassionate community

All are welcome here
Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray
Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks
Welcome to serve God and neighbors

All are welcome here
All are redeemed by a gracious God



The Gathering

(Please read this before worship begins.)

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I cannot say what Communion is any better than Luther, so I'll let him say it. In the Small Catechism Luther writes the following, and more in The Sacrament of the Altar.

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself.

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

This is shown by the words: "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." In the Sacrament, forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given to us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

It is not the eating and drinking that do these things, but these words: "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." These words are, along with the bodily eating and drinking, the main thing in the Sacrament. Anyone who believes these words has what they say: that is, the forgiveness of sins.

- As we travel this wilderness of COVID-19, it is right and proper for us to participate in the Eucharist as we are gathered as the church in person, as well as live streaming. Holy Communion takes place in the assembly of the Body of Christ.
- Online Communion is new territory for us as we navigate our new context. After reading Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, after much prayer and discernment, I believe this technology should be used in such manners to share God's grace, love, forgiveness and acceptance.
- As we assemble in person or live stream, when confessions are heard and forgiven, as the Word is proclaimed, it is proper for Communion to take place as we are then sent out as the Body of Christ for the world. I ask you to only commune as the live Word is spoken and not commune to the recording of this service.
- Please use bread and wine or a gluten free option and grape juice. Please prepare a plate and cup prior to service to have and share. If you have one and not the other, know that God is fully present in both elements and only one is necessary.

- God is the One working through the spoken Word in the mystery of communion. We don't fully know how, rather we know Jesus said, "Take, eat; this is My body," ... "Take this and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." God is the source of love infused into us through the Spirit as we partake of the Eucharist. We don't understand it fully; we fully believe Christ is there fulfilling His promises of forgiveness, life and salvation.

Remember: All Are Welcome – Hospitality fills God's Table – Everywhere!

Pastor Randy

Prelude Music

The Glory of These Forty Days Wayne L. Wold

On My Heart Imprint Your Image/Bless Now, O God, the Journey Thomas Keesecker

Lord Jesus, Think on Me setting, David Cherwien

Thy Holy Wings setting, Anne Krentz Organ

Call to Worship ((based on Psalm 25:1-10))

P We come, trusting in God's mercy and love, longing to know and to learn more about God's ways.

C **We come, to be guided in the ways of God's truth— to experience the joy of God's salvation.**

P We come, at the beginning of our Lenten journey, aware of God's steadfast love helping us to overcome the trials and temptations which can descend on us at any time.

C **Lead us, O God, to do what is right in your eyes and teach us to follow the humble way of Christ, your beloved Son, our crucified and risen Lord. Amen**

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the keeper of the covenant,
the source of steadfast love,
our rock and our redeemer.

C **Amen.**

P God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ.
Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Fountain of living water,

C **pour out your mercy over us.**

Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.

Rebuild what we have ruined

and mend what we have torn.

Wash us in your cleansing flood.

Make us alive in the Spirit

to follow in the way of Jesus,

as healers and restorers of the world you so love.

Amen.

P Beloved, God's word never fails.

The promise rests on grace:

by the saving love of Jesus Christ,

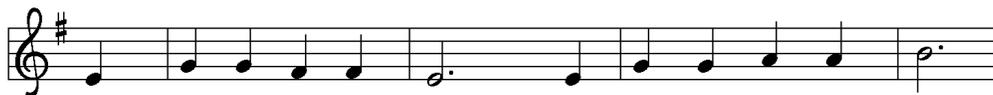
the wisdom and power of God,

your sins are + forgiven, and God remembers them no more.

Journey in the way of Jesus.

C **Amen.**

Kyrie



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!

Greeting

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

C **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen!**

The Word

L A reading from the book of Genesis.

Genesis 9:8-17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, God destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-10

- ¹To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul.
- ²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- ³Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.
- ⁴Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.
- ⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- ⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
- ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- ⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.
- ⁹You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.
- ¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

L A reading from the book of 1 Peter.

1 Peter 3:18-22

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

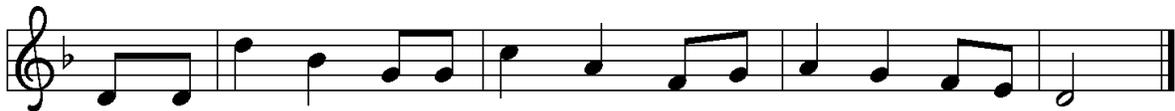
L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mark 1:9-15

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P The Gospel of our Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Ashes and Rainbows

Pastor Randy Schroeder

Hymn of the Day: ELW (red), hymn 613: *Thy Holy Wings*



1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent-ly o - ver me,
2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down-y breast
3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No-ah's cleans-ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
where I will find sweet com-fort and peace with - in thy nest.
Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.



Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,
Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,
Oh, take in - to thy keep-ing thy chil-dren great and small,



and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with-in thy grace.
for I am but a new - born and need thy ten-der care.
and while we sweet-ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

Prayers of Intercession

A Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A In Jesus your realm has come near to us in every place and time. Give your church throughout the world a spirit of humility and repentance; teach us to trust always in the good news of your salvation. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A You have made a covenant of mercy with every living creature. Protect all the earth's creatures from destruction. Empower the work of biologists, conservationists, and science educators. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A All your paths are steadfast love and faithfulness. Direct the words and actions of leaders in our community and throughout the world, that they may maintain justice for the lowly. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A Even in the wilderness you are with us. Walk alongside migrants and refugees crossing dangerous lands. Tend to those whose lives feel desolate. Give healing and strength to all who suffer, especially Herb, Candy, Jason, Fil & Shirley, Rosalie, Jeff, Denise, Pr. Judy, Barb, Tom, Donna, Helmut & Carol, Kim, Joe, Lynn, Connor & Mason, Nancy, Alex, Victoria, Jennifer, Jeanette, Ben S., Dorothy, Ben H., Suzanne, and John. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A In the covenant of baptism you claim us as beloved children. Nurture us in our baptismal identity and teach us to live within it for the sake of others. Strengthen this congregation's ministries of care and concern. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A In baptism you join us to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We praise you for all those who have died trusting in your faithfulness. Bring us with them to the fullness of your reign. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

P We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

The Meal

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- Please have your wine and bread ready for the Meal. It would be best to use grape juice or wine and a small portion of bread or gluten free option for the Eucharist.
- Please participate by lifting the bread and the wine as the pastor lifts the bread and wine.
- If everyone in the family is healthy please take the time to commune each other; presenting the bread first

and saying, “the Body of Christ given for you” and then the wine/juice saying, “the Blood of Christ shed for you.” If you’re not feeling well, please commune yourself as you are able.

- The elements (bread and juice or wine) should be consumed in their entirety or returned to the earth as once they are consecrated they are the Body and Blood of Christ. Please do not throw Jesus in the trash or down the drain.

Offering

Please feel free to send your regular tithes in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (John Mills is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option if you wish to contact him. His email address is john_r_mills@icloud.com)



Offertory: ELW (red), hymn 186: *Create in Me a Clean Heart*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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Offering Prayer

- A Faithful God,
you walk beside us in desert places,
and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven.
Accompany us in this meal,
that we may pass over from death to life
with your steadfast love and Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

- P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
- P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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,
 through our Savior Jesus Christ.
 You call your people to cleanse their hearts
 and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
 that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
 we may come to the fullness of your grace.
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 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.

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
 Your mercy is everlasting
 and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
 Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
 Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
 Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
 Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
 to the land of milk and honey.
 Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
 Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
 Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.
 In the night in which he was betrayed,
 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.

- P With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.
- P O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
- C **Come, Holy Spirit.**
- P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C **Come, Holy Spirit.**
- P With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

- C **Our Father in heaven,**
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

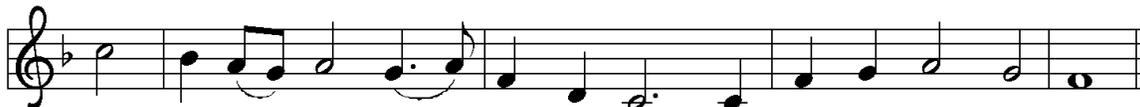
Invitation to Communion

- P So come to this table, which now extends into our homes, you who have faith and you who would like to have faith; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Lamb of God



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.

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen,
keep and unite us, now and for ever.

C Amen.

Prayer after Communion

A God of steadfast love,
at this table you gather your people
into one body for the sake of the world.
Send us in the power of your Spirit,
that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The Sending

Masking Prayer (@RevCBeckett)

C Lord, as I put on my mask, let it be a filter
for my words to pass through as well as my breathing.
Let through only those words which are helpful breathings of love
and stop those things in my speech that will be harmful to others.
Protect me also, O Lord, from the harmful things others may say to me.
Help me to realize that I may be a carrier of bitterness,
thoughtlessness, judgement and prejudice without realizing,
and that some people are more word-vulnerable than others.
Give me grace to love those who cannot or will not filter to protect others
and special grace to them, because they go through the world unprotected.
Help me to be prepared to adapt and be brave and transparent
so that all may have a chance to hear.
Lord, be a mask to my mouth
and pin my ears forward for listening.
Amen.

Sending Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 326: *Bless Now, O God, the Journey*



1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,
2 Bless so - journ-ers and pil - grims who share this wind-ing way;
3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.



the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.
your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus-tains the day.
We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,



The trail is found in des - ert and wīnds the moun-tain round,
We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;
but wait-ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.



then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.
to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.
Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

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Blessing

P You are what God made you to be:
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
chosen as holy and beloved,
freed to serve your neighbor.
God bless you + that you may be a blessing,
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

C Amen.

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stick around; the zoom meeting will continue with a virtual "Coffee Hour." All are welcome.

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Worship Assistants Today: Beth Dana (Musician, Assisting Minister & Lector), Emily Ohland (Cantor & Audio/Visuals), Bob Nielsen (Livestream production, Audio/Visuals)

Adult Forum Today: Tom McShannock, *A Christian's Stance Toward Politics*.

The next Pints with a Pastor will be March 1. If you'd like to participate, send Pastor Randy an email (randy@osluth.org) and he will send you a Zoom invite.

Wednesday Zoom with Kiddos meets every Wednesday at 4:30 P.M.

Missy and Dale will lead us in the practice of Lectio Divina **every Wednesday at noon for "Lenten Lunchtime Lectio Divina**.

Thursday, February 25, 7:30 P.M.: Social Justice Discussion via Zoom (Covering chapters 4-6 of *White Fragility*)

LUM has scheduled a service day in late February. Here are the details:

Saturday, February 27

1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

LUM Ray Ewry Center, 525 N 4th Street, Lafayette

Volunteers will be helping with the following tasks:

Youth Center: Assembling new "cubbies" and shelves for the Youth Center -- and mounting them to the wall; Setting up new chairs & tables; and moving old furniture out; Deep cleaning, disinfecting dining room, kitchen & classrooms.

Shelter: Disinfecting mattresses; Deep cleaning dining room and kitchen.

Lunch and beverages will be provided. Strict COVID-19 protocols will be observed. Please let me know if you have any questions. Email or call if interested and available (enews@lumserve.org | 765-423-2691). Thanks.

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First Lutheran, Gloria Dei, and St. Paul's will have a weekly Zoom meeting at 7PM for mid-week Lent services. Our "theme" is A Lenten Journey to Easter Vigil. The graphic I created for it is attached and the Zoom link information is below. It will be the same Zoom information each week.

Topic: Mid-Week Zoom services

Time: Feb 24, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Feb 24, 2021 07:00 PM

Mar 3, 2021 07:00 PM

Mar 10, 2021 07:00 PM

Mar 17, 2021 07:00 PM

Mar 24, 2021 07:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 957 8034 1450

Passcode: 3in1

Upcoming Commemorations

Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr, died 156

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Because he is said to have been known by John, the author of Revelation, as well as the important early church fathers Irenaeus and Ignatius, Polycarp serves as a vital link in church history. He was burned at the stake at age 86 for refusing to renounce his faith.

Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

A trip to the Holy Land is being planned for members and friends of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Our Saviour Lutheran Church is invited. We will travel in January 2022, departing Tuesday the 11th and returning Thursday the 20th. This is truly the trip of a lifetime for one's faith and spiritual growth. We will travel to sights such as Nazareth, Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee, Qumran, Masada, Jerusalem, and Bethlehem. There will be time each evening for devotions and planning for the next day.

Pastor Jim Lichtenberger, a retired ELCA pastor and member of Holy Trinity, is leading this trip. The cost will be \$4297, which includes air fare out of Indianapolis, hotel, tips (except for lunches), two meals a day, and present fuel costs. Recommended travel insurance is extra. If you are interested, please contact Jim at 476-1318. If you want to see a video about this trip, go to this link. <https://youtu.be/TQgvSMYNFnA>

Association of Lutheran Church Musicians Invites You!

You are warmly invited to **submit a recording by the February 26 deadline** to be included in the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians [Virtual Easter Hymn](#), *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*, arranged by Kevin Hildebrand. The hymn will be made available March 25 for all churches to freely use with all copyright restrictions waived. Appropriate uses might include April e-newsletters, Easter email messages, and virtual worship services. It will be similar to the [Pentecost virtual hymn](#) and [Christmas virtual carol](#) many of you participated in. **Note below special instructions to highlight your church members during stanza 3 of the virtual hymn.**

Please visit [ALCM Virtual Easter Hymn](#) and follow the instructions to submit your vocal and/or instrumental video between now and **Friday, February 26**.

Know there are melody only parts for those who prefer singing melody from the pew. **EVERYONE everywhere is invited to participate.** Help us gather the whole people of God to join in this Virtual Easter Hymn during the pandemic

Check [ALCM Virtual Easter Hymn](#) for YouTube, MP4, and other links to the completed Easter hymn beginning March 25.

Please join us in celebrating Easter by together singing the Easter hymn, *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!* Our voices and videos will be joined with hundreds of Lutherans from around the country. We will receive a special edition where only our church members will be seen during stanza 3. (Don't worry, all the hundreds of other voices will still be heard while we are seen.) Visit <https://alcm.org/easter-virtual-hymn/> for instructions to **submit your recording by February 26**. Choose Melody – high voice or Melody – low voice for a congregation part or choose your preferred choir or instrumental part. Be sure to email Emily Ohland if you want to participate (emohland@gmail.com).