

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Wednesday Evening Healing Service (In-Person & Zoom)

April 8, 2026 – 6:30pm

*** Call to Worship**

P: Astounding Good News.

C: A surprise beyond expectation.

P: Christ is alive!

C: Christ is risen indeed!

P: Easter is God's light shining in our darkness.

C: Easter is hope washing over despair.

P: Easter is joy brimming over,

C: Flowing into each day and setting alleluias loose.

P: Astounding Good News

C: That follows us each moment and causes hearts to sing.

*** Gathering Hymn 939 ACS**


“Touch that Soothes & Heals”



1 Touch that soothes and heals the hurt - ing, hands that
2 Feed the hun - gry, clothe the na - ked, vis - it
3 Love and serve with - out dis - tinc - tion all earth's
4 Hands that beck - on lit - tle chil - dren, bind a



break a loaf of bread; steps that walk be - side the
ones in need of care, give the home - less warmth and
peo - ple, first and least, Know with - in each act of
wound, pre - pare a meal, feet that rush to share good



wea - ry, bear - ing bur - dens in their stead:
shel - ter; Christ will find a wel - come there.
kind - ness hope and whole - ness are in - creased.
tid - ings, Christ a - ris - en, still re - veal.

Refrain



“See my hands and feet,” said Je - sus, love a - ris - en from the



grave. “Be my hands and feet,” said Je - sus, “live as



ones I died to save.”

*** Greeting**

- ☐ The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- ☑ **And also with you.**

*** The Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ²² “Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know ²³ this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴ But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.
²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹ “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

³² “This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.” Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Homily

Pastor Daniel Swanson

*** Prayers of the People**

Anointing and Laying on of Hands – *Please come to the altar rail and kneel as you are ready. Please feel free to remain seated, if you do not desire the laying on of hands*

*** Words of Institution**

*** The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

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*** POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in
God's grace.**

C: Amen.

*** Blessing**

**P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you
now and forever.**

C: Amen.

*** Sending Hymn 374**

“Day of Arising”

*** Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please start collecting your coins for our Delaware/Maryland Assembly in June. We will have our Noisy offering on May 17th. This money goes to Hunger.

As you are doing your Spring cleaning remember our church Yard Sale. We will start setting up July 20 (sales on July 24 & 25) then probably for the next two weeks. We need stuff!!!! Start gathering. We do have limited space if you need to bring early. See Shirley.

**THE EASTER FLOWERS THAT DECORATE THE SANCTUARY HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE GLORY
OF GOD BY:**



Sally Buser – *In honor of Family & Jack
In memory of Merle & Garrett Buser
In memory of the Jack L Murray, Sr. family and
all charter members of CLC*

Joyce DeMonbrun – *In honor of son, Daniel and Family
In memory of daughter, Jean Marie
In memory of son, James*

Mark & Sonya Cooper Lathrop – *In honor of Mom: Jo-Jacqueline Cooper
In memory of father: John W. Cooper II
In memory of Brother John W. Cooper III
In memory of Parents: James & Patricia Lathrop
In memory of Brother: Robert Lathrop*

Barbara Martin – *In memory of deceased loved ones*

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Jack Murray, Jr – *In memory of Katie Murray
In memory of mom, Laura Vere
In honor of Sally Buser*

Fred & Kathy Powell – *In honor of our daughter, Abby
In memory of our son, Joshua*

Dianne & Ray Short – *In memory of my parents and sister, Kermit & Thelma Failing
and Karen Failing*

Jeff & Rae Ann Smith – *In honor of grandchildren: Jacob, Eva, Emma,
Ian and Harrison
In memory of Parents: John & Cynthia Smith
Cecil & Helena Brenneman
In memory of sisters: Betty Kroll, Marilyn Adam*

Shirley & Jim Smith – *In honor of our children and grandchildren
In loving memory of daughter, Christina and our parents*