

April 2022



Community Lutheran Church

PASTOR TIM EIGHMY



Jesus said, "Whoever believes in me, streams of living water will flow from within them." John 7:38

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Office Hours: Tues. – Fri., 9 am to 1 pm:

Weekend Worship

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

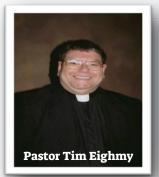
Summer Schedule starting April 24:

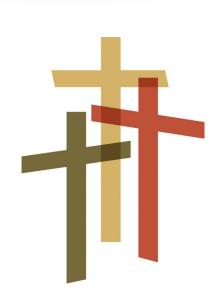
One service only at 9:00 am

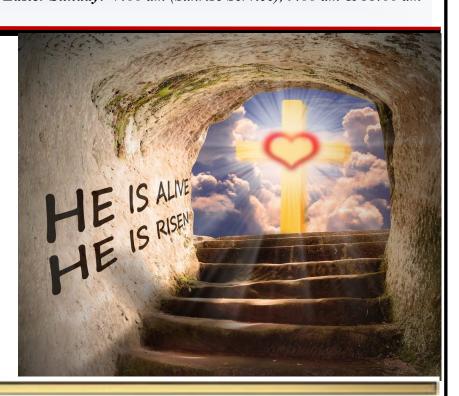
Special Easter Services & Events:

Palm Sunday: Cantata (Upon This Rock) 3:00 pm Maundy Thursday: 7:00 pm Good Friday: Cantata (Upon This Rock) 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday: 7:00 am (Sunrise Service), 9:00 am & 11:00 am







Mission Statement of Community Lutheran Church: Living Christ's love in all we do.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TIM



"Easter Has Begun!"

After two long years of a global pandemic, economic fallout, social justice movements, rising racial tensions, and warfare, the promise of a new beginning of peace and wholeness has now finally begun with Easter. The good news that Jesus has destroyed the power of sin, death, and evil so God's loving peace can prevail is something that the world truly needs to hear at this time. And the good news of

Easter sounds different to us this year as well. Now that the pandemic is hopefully diminishing and that the economy is slowly recovering; now that we are striving for equality once again in new ways and struggling to keep peace in our streets; and praying that peace will come to Ukraine and Afghanistan once and for all, the Easter message is easier for us to see and hear.

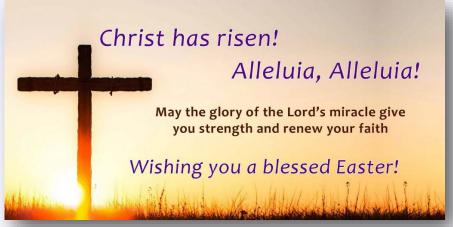
I hope this year's Holy Week and Easter Sunday worship services bless you in new ways. Our first Easter Cantata in three years is coming up at 3 pm on Palm Sunday (April 10th) and at 7 pm on Good Friday (April 15th). The cantata is entitled "On the Rock" and was actually the same cantata that we were rehearsing when the pandemic shut everything down in 2020. The choir is excited to finally present this cantata this year. On Maundy Thursday (April 14th), we are commemorating the night when our Savior was betrayed with Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar at our 7 pm worship service. And then on Easter Sunday (April 17th), we are celebrating the new life of the resurrection of Christ with an Easter Sunrise Service at 7 am in the Memorial Garden, and at our regular services at 9 am and 11 am. [Okay, sunrise is actually an hour before our service; maybe next year you can convince me to get up earlier for it.] And around 8 am, we will have our Easter breakfast.

The Easter season of the church begins on Easter Sunday and lasts for 7 weeks. At least to me, it seems appropriate that on the Sunday following Easter Sunday, on April 24th, we will begin our summer schedule a little bit early with only one service at 9 am throughout the summer. I think this is appropriate because we experience a new time for worship while we are celebrating our new life of salvation in Christ during the Easter season.

So, my prayer is that this Easter season will fill you with the joy and hope of Christ's salvation during these very uncertain times.

Easter blessings!

Pastor Tim



Church Council

From The Council.

· Hope you are enjoying our Lenten services as well as the soup supper beforehand.

• We enjoyed meeting and talking with our guest pastor, Reverend Jacqui, from Synod offices. It was very enjoyable to have her in attendance and participating in our church service on March 13.

- Our well was inspected by the State on March 9. The results are that we have 3 violations that need repair. There were some other concerns as appropriate paperwork was not submitted at the time repairs were made. Arthur's well company has been contacted to do the needed repairs. James Smock has been in contact with the city regarding our move to city water. If this can be accomplished within 120 days, we may avoid several additional forms to correct the lack of appropriate paperwork. More on this as we learn what has to be done.
- Lynda Crawford volunteered to take care of getting door locks changed and new keys made. The lock changes are scheduled to take place the last week of March. Please note this as you may not have access to the building.
- Our constitution was received by the synod office. There were a few small changes needed. These changes were handed out to the council, made and then sent again to the Synod. This will be reviewed on April 9. We are hoping it will receive approval.
- Our Synod Assembly is June 10 and 11 in Mesa, AZ. CLC is looking for 2 church members to represent Community Lutheran. Early registration ends April 22 and last date for registration is May 27. Please prayerfully consider whether this is something you could attend.
- Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 7th at 6 p.m.

Joann Hoffmeyer President, Church Council

Under the theme **Stirred up in the Spirit**, we gather at Love of Christ

<u>Lutheran Church</u> in Mesa, June 10–11, 2022

- 1525 N. Power Road, Mesa, AZ 85205
 - (480) 981-6199 or info@loclc.org



Scan this QR code with your phone camera to be directed to the 2022 Assembly Website.

"Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you." (John 20:19)



What a strange thing for Jesus to say.

Jesus' disciples had just gone through a deeply traumatic experience. The man whom they put all of their hopes in as being the Messiah who will bring God's peace to the world was betrayed by one of his own trusted disciples (Judas Iscariot), and betrayed by the religious leaders of their own people when they handed him over to the Romans, and they watched him die the slow, humiliating and torturous death of the cross. And all of that happened during the holidays (the Passover festival). And now the disciples had their doors locked in fear of being hunted down and arrested for following Jesus. And on top of that, they couldn't even begin to mourn the loss of their Savior because it was against the law to do that on

Devotion for April by Pastor Tim

the Sabbath day (especially during Passover) and they couldn't even get into his tomb to prepare his body for burial until it was already on the third day of his death.

The disciples probably felt the same way that our nation felt after the 9/11terrorist attacks: shocked, horrified, frightened, lost, depressed and feeling empty. They probably felt the same way that the citizens of Ukraine feel after suddenly losing their peace and safety in their own country because of Russia waging war on them. And it was during this time during the darkness of night when the resurrected Jesus appeared to them and said, "Peace be with you."

Easter is the holy time of the year when we are once again reminded that the source of true peace in the world is not found in ourselves, but in the love of God revealed through the sacrificial gift of Jesus Christ. It is Jesus who brings God's peace and salvation into our lives. Through Jesus, we live in hope that our love for one another is not for nothing and that God will bring peace and wholeness to all of God's creation someday.

And so for now, we may still be living like the disciples in the darkness of that night. But the risen Christ has come among us and his Word of God's peace is breaking into our lives.





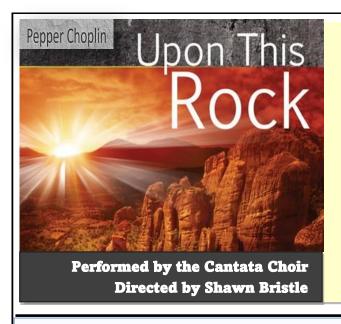
CLC Women's Bible Study

Our women's bible study is starting up again!

The date of the first women's bible study has been moved to Tue, April 19, at 10:00 AM here at the church.

From then on, the women's bible study will be held every 2nd Tuesday of every month, at 10:00 AM. All the ladies of the church are welcome to join us!

Hopefully we'll soon be starting up our weekly projects on Tuesdays, which will include special projects for charity organizations within our community and other places, such as quilts, Afghans, and craft items.



COMMUNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Presents the Holy Week Cantata

UPON THIS ROCK

Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 3:00 pm Friday, April 15, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Admission is free!



Easter Stewardship: Resurrection Reset

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. -Romans 6:3-4

Christ is Risen! Risen, indeed! Alleluia!

The triumphant words we cherish every Easter signal more than just Jesus' victory over the grave. They announce for us the end of deadness and the start of a new life, a fresh beginning, in our earthly pilgrimage. Jesus was raised from the dead so that we, too, might walk in newness of life.

From Jesus' resurrection, our lives take on a new trajectory, a turn away from the values and precepts of the world and toward the kingdom of God. As we walk, our lives progressively align with the purposes and mission of God.

For a steward-disciple of our Lord, the implications are many. As we walk in newness of life, we might find ourselves

Re-examining our relationship to "stuff" – our money, our possessions, the things that might have given us a sense of security or worth. Jesus is our security and our worth.

Drawing closer to family and friends. True wealth is measured by the love we give and receive. Our lives effervesce with the love we receive from God.

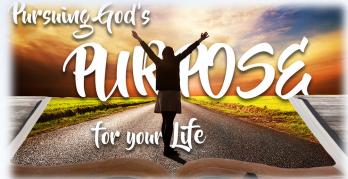
Contributing more to church and charity. Jesus frees us from the grip that possessions have upon us. We can more freely give.

Gathering into our lives what Paul calls the fruits of the spirit: "Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control" (Galatians 5:22-23).

May your lives as steward-disciples take a resurrection reset. Christ is risen! Risen indeed! Alleluia!

--Rob Blezard

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CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Wed, April 6: 6:45 pm Choir Rehearsal Sat, April 9: 9:00 am Cantata Rehearsal Wed, April 13: 6:00 pm Cantata Rehearsal

Wed, April 20: 6: pm Choir Practice



Birthdays & Anniversaries

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2—Altamae Byers

2—Chad Lelm

2—Carolyn Lorenz

3—Charles Schuh

5—Marilyn Simons 5—Jacob Werchau

6—Joann Hoffmeyer

8—Beverly Bentlley

9—Tom Shober

11—Constanze Bender

18—Steve Miller

22—Marlys Weyer

29—Cheryl Wilson

30—James Cumberland



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

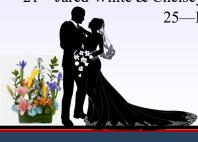
4—Don & Chris Dueker (41)

21—Jared White & Chelsey Beard-Larson White (10)

25—Lowell & Sharyl Haas (58)









Please continue to pray for all the persons whose names have been offered up by members and friends of the congregation.

We pray for healing, comfort, guidance, strength, recovery, safe travel, and unrevealed needs, as well as for those with thankful hearts and for those who grieve.



Let us remember the ones God called home out of our midst, and keep their families and friends in our prayers:

Cathy Cornell, Dec 20, 2021 Albert Lemke, Jan 13, 2022 Phyllis Adair, Jan 14, 2022 Jan Clayton, Jan 19, 2022 Greg Larson, Jan 20, 2022

If you know someone who would like to be included in the ongoing monthly prayer list, be it for prayer or thanksgiving, please let the office know!

APRIL EVENTS

April Worship Service Schedule & Cantata

Sunday, April 3	9:00 am & 11:00 am Worship Services
Wednesday, April 6	5:30 pm Soup Supper
	6:00 pm Lent Service
Palm Sunday, April 10	9:00 am & 11:00 am Worship Services
	3:00 pm Cantata — 'Upon This Rock'
Maundy Thursday, April 14	7:00 pm Service
Good Friday, April 15	7:00 pm Cantata — 'Upon This Rock'
Easter Sunday, April 17	7:00 am Sunrise Service, followed by Easter potluck
V 1	9:00 am & 11:00 am Worship Services
Sunday, April 24	9:00 am Worship Service (one service only)
	begin Summer Schedule

Bible Studies:

WELCA (Women of the ELCA) Bible Study: Tue, 4/19 @ 10:00 am

Pastor's Bible Study: Thur, 4/7, 4/21 & 4/28 @ 2:00 pm

Committee Meetings:

Council Meeting: Thur, 4/7 @ 6:00 pm

WMC (Worship & Music Committee) Meeting: Thur, 4/21 @ 9:30 am



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Worship Services:

Sundays @ 9:00 am (one service only)

Bible Studies:

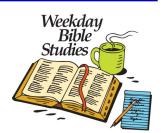
WELCA (Women of the ELCA) Bible Study: Tuesday, 5/10 @ 10:00 am

Pastor's Bible Study: Every Thursday @ 9:00 am

Committee Meetings:

Council Meeting: Thur, 5/12 @ 6:00 pm

WMC (Worship & Music Committee) Meeting: TBA



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