

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Berlin, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" John 20:27–28

Third Sunday in Lent

April 8/11, 2021

Serving Us Today:

Pastor Paul Munding

Organist: Cindy Schuett

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(To Our Guests: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. John Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymn and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. Please note that there is a

cup of white grape juice in each tray which contains a drop of wine for those who prefer grape juice. Thank you!)

AS WE GATHER...We tend to look for things to make faith easier. Signs, wonders, or just little hints here and there would help. But the disciples had all these things and heard Jesus promise His resurrection, and still they gathered behind the locked doors of their fears. What we do have is Christ, His Word that bestows and sustains our faith, and His Holy Sacrament wherein He feeds us with His body and blood. Though we have not seen with our eyes, we see with faith and join with doubting Thomas to confess, "My Lord and my God!"

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PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME

Confession and Absolution

464 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

- ref Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 1 The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the victor's triumph won;
Now be the song of praise begun.
Alleluia!
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst,
But Christ their legions hath dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!
- 3 The three sad days have quickly sped,
He rises glorious from the dead.
All glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!

- 4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell;
The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.
Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee,
From death's dread sting Thy servants free
That we may live and sing to Thee.
Alleluia!

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Rite of Holy Baptism (10:30 service)

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Ps. 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—
if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

**Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!**

Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!

**Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!**

Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually!

**Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.**

He remembers his covenant forever,
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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Kyrie *LSB 186*

C **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 187*

C **Glory be to God on High,
and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

All Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading *Acts 4:32–35 (The believers were of one heart and soul.)*

³²Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 148 (antiphon: v. 13) (Congregation speaks bold verses)*

¹Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

**²Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his hosts!**

³Praise him, sun and moon,
praise him, all you shining stars!

**⁴Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!**

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD!
For he commanded and they were created.

⁶And he established them forever and ever;

he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth,
you great sea creatures and all deeps,

**⁸fire and hail, snow and mist,
stormy wind fulfilling his word!**

⁹Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!

**¹⁰Beasts and all livestock,
creeping things and flying birds!**

¹¹Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!

**¹²Young men and maidens together,
old men and children!**

¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is exalted;
his majesty is above earth and heaven.

**¹⁴He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his saints,
for the people of Israel who are near to him.
Praise the LORD!**

Epistle *1 John 1:1—2:2 (If we sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ.)*

¹That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ²the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— ³that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive

us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel *John 20:19–31 (Blessed are those who have not heard yet have believed.)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praie be to Thee, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

- C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

Children's Message

470 O Sons and Daughters of the King

- 1 O sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting!
Alleluia!
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
Alleluia!
- 3 An angel clad in white they see,
Who sits and speaks unto the three,
"Your Lord will go to Galilee."
Alleluia!

4 That night the apostles met in fear;
Among them came their master dear
And said, "My peace be with you here."
Alleluia!

5 When Thomas first the tidings heard
That they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia!

6 "My pierced side, O Thomas, see,
And look upon My hands, My feet;
Not faithless but believing be."
Alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
Alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days
Be laud and jubilee and praise:
To God your hearts and voices raise.
Alleluia!

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Sermon "Easter Forgiveness" (John 20:20-21)

Offertory *LSB 192*

**C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

P: Merciful Father, at Your bidding we come to You in prayer, trusting in Your mercy to supply us with all that is needful and beneficial to us and for all for whom our prayers have been requested.

Silence the doubts that plague us and deliver us from fear, that believing in You we may know the full comfort of Your gracious presence. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Deliver us from pride and humble us by Your Spirit so that, confessing all our sins, we know the peace of a clear conscience and serve You with all our heart, mind, body, and soul. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Guard us from all enemies and bless our nation with good government and good leaders, that we enjoy justice before the law, equality of opportunity in the marketplace, and peace in our communities and between the nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Restore those absent too long from the Church's sacramental life and bring to repentance those who have fallen into error and sin, that they may again be one with us at the Table of the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Give comfort, healing, patience, and strength to the sick, to those suffering a troubled mind, and to those carrying the heavy burden of grief, that they may know Your presence in their hour of need, [*especially . . .*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Accept the praise and thanksgiving of our lips, the tithes and offerings we bring, and our labors for Your glory, that we not suffer from ingratitude or the pride that believes all we have is the fruit of our own work. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Grant to us that we may worthily receive this blessed Sacrament of Your Son's body and blood and may confidently trust that You will both hear and answer the prayers of Your people and supply us with all good things according to Your merciful favor; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 194*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus *LSB 195*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer *LSB 196*

**All 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.**

The Words of Our Lord *LSB 197*

Pax Domini *LSB 197*

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 198*

- C **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.
Amen.**

Distribution Hymn

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

- 1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain.
- ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!
- 2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain.
- 3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain.
- 4 Weary am I and heavy laden;
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain.

- 5 What higher gift can we inherit?
 It is faith's bond and solid base;
 It is the strength of heart and spirit,
 The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain.

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Nunc Dimittis *LSB 199*

- C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all
people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

- P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.**

- P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and
we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward
You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.****

Salutation and Benedicamus

- P The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.****
- P Bless we the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.****

Benediction *LSB 202*

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.**

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C **Amen, amen, amen.**

469 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

- 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!"
Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er;
Lo! He sets in blood no more.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise;
Christ has opened paradise.
- 4 Lives again our glorious King!
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save;
Where thy victory, O grave?
- 5 Soar we now where Christ has led;
Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
- 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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Attendance Last Week: 508
General giving last week: \$18096.00
Budget giving needed: \$ 7,500.00

Calendar of Activities this week at St. John

12 Monday	Board of Trustees	6:30 pm
13 Tuesday	Board of Education	6:00 pm
13 Tuesday	Board of Elders	6:00 pm
14 Wednesday	Public Confirmation	3:45 pm
15 Thursday	Worship Service/HC	6:30 pm
18 Sunday	Worship Service/HC	8:00 am
18 Sunday	Sunday School	9:15 am
18 Sunday	Bible Classes	9:15 am
18 Sunday	Worship Service/HC	10:30 am

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HOLY BAPTISM: Being received through Baptism into the covenant and kingdom of God’s grace today at the 10:30 am service is Ollin Joseph Draeger, son of Megan and Ryan Draeger, who entered this life on December 7, 2020 and is being given new life in Christ through this washing of regeneration. Serving as his sponsors are: Breanne Sambs and Ciara Paitrick.

"BADGERBYTES" the weekly newspaper of St. John Lutheran School is available in the information rack of the Narthex. Pick one up today and keep abreast of all the happenings at our Christian Day School!

LWML SPRING RALLY: **Faithfully Focused on Christ** is the theme for the Zone 12 LWML Spring Rally to be held Tuesday, April 27, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mount Morris. Registration begins at 3pm with the rally starting at 3:30. We will view the film "The Resurrection" and have a Bible study based on the film led by Pastor Mundinger. A light supper will also be served.

All men and women are invited to attend. There is no fee, but a free-will offering will be taken. A head count is needed to ensure enough food is prepared for supper. Please RSVP to Cindy Schuett or Deb Schrader, by Monday, April 19. We will carpool to Mount Morris.

SCHOOL CHOICE REGISTRATION OPEN: St. John Lutheran School in Berlin is in the Wisconsin Private School Choice Program. This is open to all NEW 5K thru 8th grade students whose family income meets Wisconsin's eligibility guidelines. **Call St. John School at 920-361-0555 for more information. Registration deadline is April 15th.**

SWD STUDENT FINANCIAL AID: Students attending a Concordia University or Seminary, preparing for full-time church work in the LCMS (pastor, teacher, DCE, DCO, DCM, deaconess, DFLM, DPM) and are a member of a congregation in the South Wisconsin District - LCMS are eligible to apply for financial assistance from SWD. For more information and the two applications required to be considered for Financial Aid, visit the SWD website – swd.lcms.org – under Resources. The deadline is May 15.

CHOP SUEY SUPPER: Wednesday, April 21st.
DRIVE-THRU ONLY!! Enter on SW Ceresco St.
4:30 pm – until out of food

Tickets: \$10 in advance. \$12 at the door.

Tickets available at Farmer's and Merchants Bank, Lady Bug Floral, Krause's Service, State Farm Ins. Shell on Broadway, The Mop Shop, St. John School Office.
For Delivery, call Nancy Wallner at 361-4179.



Easter Lilies and Flowering Plants have been given by the following members:

The Altar Guild would like to thank everyone who gave his or her Easter flowers to help make our sanctuary beautiful for Easter morning.

The Ladies Aid has given 2 azaleas for the Altar.

IN HONOR OF Ralph and Phyllis Van Dellen from Mark and Terri Rausch.

IN MEMORY OF Our Parents from Ralph and Phyllis Van Dellen

IN MEMORY OF Elaine Humphrey from Bob and Amy Radliff.

IN MEMORY OF Harold and Alma Hertzberg and Norman Hertzberg, from Linda Hertzberg.

IN MEMORY OF Donald Hertzberg, from Linda Hertzberg.

IN MEMORY OF Walter and Ethel Belfeuil and Armand Lewis from Linda Hertzberg.

IN MEMORY OF Bud's sister, Elaine Mueller, from the Bud Polk Family.

IN MEMORY OF Ward Durrant and Harry & Kathryn Froelich
from Pat Durrant and family.

IN MEMORY OF Walter and Louise Rodensal, Leo and Agnes Henriksen, from Russ and Robin Henriksen.

IN MEMORY OF their parents from Bob and Betty Dewhurst.

IN MEMORY OF Ritchie and Ryan Clark, from Ray and Vickie Clark.

IN MEMORY OF parents Ronald and Virginia Clark, Warren and Marilyn Johnson, from Ray and Vickie Clark.

IN MEMORY OF my son Brian from Vicky Borgens and Jerry & Carol Krause.

IN MEMORY OF Arnold Kretzmann, Dan Mitchelly and Jeannette Mitchelly from Cindy Schuett.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF Alfred and Edna Wendt and siblings John and Joanne, from Bob and Karen Wendt.

IN HONOR OF Alice Parsons and IN MEMORY OF Don Parsons from Karen and Bob Wendt.

IN MEMORY OF their Parents, from Duane and Linda Nitz.

IN MEMORY OF Karl and Joyce Krause from Judy Uchtyl.

IN MEMORY OF husband Paul, from Joyce Parsons.

SERMON OUTLINE
April 8/11, 2021
Theme: "Easter Forgiveness" (John 20:20-21)

I. The Peace of God for Jesus' Disciples

- A. "Father, _____ them" utters Jesus from the cross.
- B. The "them" is every _____ (including us) who had a hand in causing the crucifixion.
- C. Forgiveness in the face of _____ is not the norm.
- D. Jesus offer of _____ (and forgiveness) wasn't dependent on the disciples' contrition.
- E. There was no _____ from Jesus for their betrayal.
- F. Jesus' work of forgiveness continues after _____.

II. The Peace of God for You and Me

- A. Jesus came to Thomas to offer him _____.
- B. No matter our failures, Jesus offers us _____ and forgiveness.
- C. It is in our Christian nature to _____.
- D. We are to deal with others in _____ and _____.
- E. It's only through the power of the _____ _____ that we can offer forgiveness.