

AES MINISTRIES
EAST SVEADAH LUTHERAN CHURCH – AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Easter

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"Congregations joined in faith and fellowship to spread God's love."

AES Ministries mission statement

Welcome to all who worship with us today! All are welcome at the Lord's Table!

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PRELUDE, RINGING OF THE BELL, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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GATHERING SONG

"Christ is Risen! Alleluia"

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THE GREETING

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray ...

C: Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

FIRST READING Acts 3:12-19

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer.

¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

L: Word of God, word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²**"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"**

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶**Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?" Let the light of your face shine upon**

us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

SECOND READING I John 3:1-7

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

L: Word of God, Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil"

#512

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:36b-48

P: The holy gospel according to Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus"

#451

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING THE PEACE

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

"We Are an Offering"

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Here at East Sveadahl we are committed to the inclusion of all God's people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice open communion, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Juice (light color) and wine (dark red) are both available. Individually wrapped gluten free wafers are available as well. If you would like to receive communion, but are unable to physically come forward, please indicate that to an usher and communion will be brought to you.

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**THE LORD'S PRAYER
DISTRIBUTION HYMN
POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

insert
"As We Gather at Your Table" #522

BLESSING

SENDING "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" #389

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are God's beloved. C: **Thanks be to God!**

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Lector: Tricia Anderson April 21: Sonja Coleman Ushers: Dale Anderson Family

Prayer Concerns: The family and friends of Logan Sizer, Gerry Heller, The family and friends of Marion Harms, Penny Kleinow, Brianna Kleinow, Leora Ask, Myron Engel, Judy Anderson, Mike Larson, Lorraine Petersen, Jamie (Noren) Seiner, Marie Christenson, Wynette Haler, Joann Jensen, Darryl Jensen, Phyllis Jurgens, Janet Plath, Dave Finnegan, Suzann Olson, Tim Knaak, Tim Anderson, Kathy Christenson, Erma Griffith, Don Flater, Bruce Ohland, Jana Falk, Ellie Kulseth, Sam Christenson, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Tom Anderson, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, Dennis Madison, Linda Madison, and Emma Overson.

Today's radio broadcast from East is given by an anonymous donor.

Dawn Nau, Pioneer Bank, is presenting **Fraud Prevention**, Wednesday the 17th, 10:15 am, Butterfield Community Building. RSVP WELLSRING 507-375-1276.

Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this morning is **Myles Anthony Garza**, son of Joe and Erica Garza. He was born January 15, 2024. His sponsors are Mandy France and Andy Odegard. Welcome to God's Family, East Sveadahl, and AES Ministries.

Joining East Sveadahl this morning are **Joe, Erica, Isabella Garza, and Marshall Smith**. Welcome!

The **Bless a Camper Campaign** is underway. To help, take an envelope from the poster in the entry.

The **Kick-Off Breakfast** for Relay for Life is TODAY, 9 am-1 pm at the Legion. Tickets: Adults: \$7 in advance, \$8 at door; Ages 6-12: \$4 in advance, \$5 at door; Under 5: Free. Tickets available from Committee members. See poster on the narthex bulletin board.

ROAR meets on the 17th as usual for a field trip! Adults are welcome to come along!

Come join us for **Brewed Theology** at the St. James Eagles on Wednesday the 17th at 7 pm.

The **St. James Fire Department Fundraiser** is Sunday the 21st, 9 am – 12:30 pm at the Legion. Free will donation. French toast, bacon, scrambled eggs, and beverages

The Women of New Hope, Comfrey, invite you to their **"Aprons Galore"**, Saturday the 27th with lunch at 11:30 am, program at 12:30 pm in their Fellowship Hall. Wear an apron to enter in a drawing and bring a friend.

Activities this week: April 15 – April 21

Monday	10:00 am Weekly Prayer meeting on Zoom, see website for the link 3:00 pm Bible Study, East
Tuesday	1:00 pm Text Study 2:15 pm Augustana worship on cable tv
Wednesday	2:00 pm ROAR field trip, Augustana 7:00 pm Brewed Theology, Eagles
Thursday	9:00 am Conference Pastors
Friday	Pastor's Sabbath
Saturday	May Newsletter Deadline
Sunday	9:00 am Worship, East 10:30 am Worship, Augustana

