

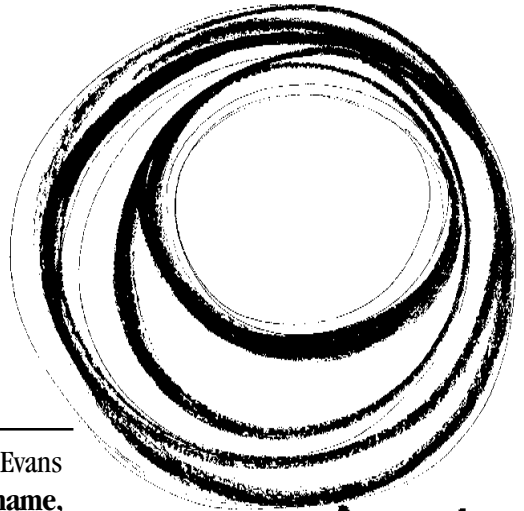
CELEBRATE! WORSHIP

9:30 a.m., Sunday, April 25, 2004
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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GATHERING SONG - "Trading My Sorrows," Darrell Evans

Part 1: **I'm trading my sorrows, I'm trading my shame,
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.
I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain,
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.**

Part 2: **Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes Lord;
Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord;
Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord, Amen.**

Part 3: **I am pressed but not crushed,
Persecuted, not abandoned,
Struck down, but not destroyed;
I am blessed beyond the curse, for his promise will endure,
that his joy's gonna be my strength.
Though the sorrow may last for the night, his joy comes with the morning.
(Repeat parts 1 and 2)**



CALL TO WORSHIP

- P Today we gather to celebrate the promises of God, promises given in Baptism.
- C **What does God promise in Baptism?**
- P In baptism, God forgives sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives everlasting salvation to all who believe what God has promised!
- C **That is Good News! Thanks be to God for his promises.**
- P We also gather to celebrate with our young people as they say "Yes" to being baptized and as they state their intention to live in the world as baptized children of God.
- C **Thanks be to God for all the baptized, and thanks be to God for these young people who stand before us today.**
- P As we gather today and sing our praises to God, we all say "Yes" to baptism and recommit ourselves to living in the world as God's children.
- C **God is alive. God is here. God is good. Let's celebrate God's promises.**

P This is the day that the Lord has made!

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Stand

SONG OF PRAISE - "Lord, You Have My Heart," Martin Smith

Verse: **Lord, you have my heart and I will search for yours. Jesus, take my life and lead me on.
Lord, you have my heart and I will search for yours. Let me be to you a sacrifice.**

Chorus: **And I will praise you, Lord, and I will sing of love come down.
And as you show your face, we'll see your glory here.** (Repeat verse and chorus)
(Instrumental Solo)

Last chorus: **And I will praise you, Lord, and I will sing of love come down.
And as you show your face, we'll see your glory here, we'll see your glory here.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God,

C You give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection. Give us also the joys of life in your service, and bring us at last to the full joy of life eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Be seated

THE FIRST READING - Acts 9:1-6 (*page 893 in the pew Bible*)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING - Revelation 5:11-14 (*pages 997 - 998 in the pew Bible*)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL SONG - "Here I am To Worship," Tim Hughes

Vs. 1: **Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.**

Chorus: **So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God.
And you're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.**

Vs. 2: **King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor.** (Chorus)

Stand

GOSPEL - John 21:1-19 (*page 883 in the pew Bible*)

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Be seated

SERMON - “The Post-Easter Blahs,” Pastor Les Svendsen

SONG OF THE DAY - “Because You Are,” Celia Whitler

As the last verse begins, children are invited to the front.

Verse 1: **I am the work of your hands. Because you breathe, I am.
We are the light that you give. Because of you, we live.**

Chorus: **Because you are, so we are too. Because you are, we are with you.
One body, one Spirit, one voice, and one heart, together in love because you are.**

Verse 2: **We have been filled with your grace. We have been changed by faith.
So we have been saving light baptized into new life. (Chorus)**

Verse 3: **We are your hands and your feet reaching the least of these.
Try to be servants of God; we have been made for love. (Chorus)**

Ending: **Because you are. Because you are. Because you are.**

KID TALK *After kid talk, children grades 1-6 will go to Sunday School.*

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/RITE OF CONFIRMATION

The congregation is invited to follow the Affirmation of Baptism rite beginning on page 198 in the front of the green Lutheran Book of Worship. The rite concludes with the sharing of the peace:

SHARING THE PEACE

Kids The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Greet each other with Christ's words, “Peace be with you.”

Be seated

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, TEMPLE TALK

OFFERING - “I’ll Always Have Jesus,” Bryan Duncan

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes, “Lord, in your mercy.” The congregation responds with “Hear our Prayer.”

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

BLESSING

P As you leave this service to continue your service in the world, may you be enriched in every way by the power of the Holy Spirit, rooted deeply in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ, and filled with all the fullness of God.

C Amen.

Stand

SENDING SONG - "Savior's Song," Larry Olson/Karol Baer

**Chorus: Sing to the one who has known us forever. Dance to the rhythm of freedom and love.
Rest and be sure in the arms of forgiveness. Join in the Savior's song.**

**Vs. 1: I'm hoping for a brand new day where we stop all the fuss and the fighting
Long enough to look in each others eyes and see the precious gift of ev'ry life. (Chorus)**

**Vs. 2: There's nothing that can take away all the love of the one who has saved us.
We may walk, we may run or fall, but God is right here with us through it all. (Chorus)**

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Pastor Les Svendsen

Presiders: Pastor Tim Lemme and Pastor Don Lehmann

Reader: Allison Hauck

Acolytes: Josef Walth, Nathan Wegner, Kari Pederson, Stephanie Moller

Celebrate Band Members: Dave Hofstad, Denny Gale, Mark Law, Jodie Nielsen, Janell Mills, Steve Kuper, and Kris Wollman

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