

Acts 5:12-32

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. ¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." ²¹And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach. Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, ²³"We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside."

²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. ²⁵And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." ²⁶Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people. ²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging Him on a tree. ³¹God exalted Him at His right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him."

Revelation 1:4-18

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before His throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him,

even those who pierced Him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of Him. Even so. Amen. ⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." ⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." ¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around His chest. ¹⁴The hairs of His head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵His feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and His voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In His right hand He held seven stars, from His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and His face was like the sun shining in full strength. ¹⁷When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

John 20:19-31

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.

The Second Sunday of Easter



*Joy Lutheran is here to welcome all people,
celebrate Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior,
nourish spiritual growth for all and
serve human needs in every way.*

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Traditional Service 8 a.m.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Joy Lutheran Church. If you are visiting us today, please fill out a white Visitor Information card in the pew. If you have a prayer request, please use the reverse side of the Visitor Information card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

Communion Joy Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion at each regular worship service. This is a special meal that celebrates our unity of faith in Jesus who is our Lord and Savior. In this meal, Jesus gives us His body and blood, in, with and under the bread and the wine to forgive our sins and to strengthen our faith. Confessing this oneness of faith, we invite you to share in this special meal.

Children in Worship We encourage children to participate in worship services. Children's activity bags and bulletins are available.

April 24, 2022



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PASTOR DANIEL will be on vacation through tomorrow. For emergency pastoral care, please contact one of the Elders.

THANK YOU! to the Elders for leading worship today. There will not be Communion.

TODAY SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING between services about Joy's street sign

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING This Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.



BAKE SALE by *Women of Joy*
Next Sunday between and after services
Proceeds will go to the youth.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Irene Bjorklund who graduates on May 11 with a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Minnesota State University, Moorhead.



PLANT SALE AT JOY
SATURDAY, MAY 21, 8:30—10 a.m.

If you are interested in helping or donating plants, please talk to Pat Jaeger, 612-701-0973, so she knows what types of plants will be coming.

Pat is looking for perennials or plants (vegetable or flower) that you've started at home.

If you have perennials that you would like Pat to help you dig out, please contact her by May 10.

If you have larger, used pots, please bring them to church for Pat to use. Proceeds will go to the youth.

Thank you!

JOIN US FOR THE MEN'S RETREAT AT LUTHERAN ISLAND CAMP! This year's theme is "Wrestling with God" and tackles the issue of doubt, and how we handle it. We'll hear from Pastors Joel Newton, Eli Voigt, and **Daniel Lewis** as they walk us through a Biblical approach to dealing with doubts. Mark your calendars for **May 13-15** and register today at islandcamp.org/registration.

FREE "OVERVIEW OF COMPUTERS CLASS" with Dave Larson in the church basement **Saturday, May 7, 1—4 p.m.** To sign up, please call Dave or Vicki at 763-689-5912.

Note: This class does not share equipment, so we will be able to keep our social distance.

April 24—May 1, 2022

Today	Traditional Service—no Communion Voters' Meeting between services Contemporary Service—no Communion	8 AM 10:30 AM
Tuesday	Volunteers at Shalom Leadership Team Meeting	12:30—4 PM 6:30 PM
Wednesday	Confirmation	7 PM
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	8 AM
Sunday, May 1	Traditional Service Sunday School and Adult Bible Class Contemporary Service Bake Sale between and after services	8 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM
Wednesday, May 4	Confirmation	7 PM
Thursday, May 5	Joyful Littles	9—10:30 AM
Saturday, May 7	Free "Overview of Computers" - basement	1—4 PM
Sunday, May 8	Mother's Day	

Assisting in Worship

Service	Reader	Ushers	ELDERS Robert Severson Rod Elmstrand Ken Wing Greg Thompson Hugh Gibson Sal Meli
Today 8 a.m.	Debbie Bray	<i>Ministry opportunity</i>	
Today 10:30 a.m.	Rod Elmstrand	<i>Ministry opportunity</i>	
Next Sunday 8 a.m. May 1	Pat Jaeger	<i>Ministry opportunity</i>	
Next Sunday 10:30 a.m. May 1	Sandy Wing	<i>Ministry opportunity</i>	

TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT: Laurie Hoheisel, 763-689-4893. If Laurie is unavailable, please call the church office—763-689-4355.

In our prayers we remember: Dick Reichle; Hugh Gibson; Mike Horst's son, Joshua; Cheryl Severson; Gary Steffenson's brother, Dave; Liz Steffenson mother, Carol; Kay Weber; Mary Avre

Keep these military personnel and their families in your prayers: Eric Bjorklund; Marcus Bjorklund; Pat & Tricia Cassidy; Kent & Jen Reichle