

**Communion Invitation**

Everyone who has been baptized and instructed and who believes that Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior are welcome to His table, no matter your denomination affiliation. All others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing and a Word of promise. Please indicate this preference by keeping your hands folded when you come forward. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available.

*Let us celebrate the blessings of God together!*

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*Have a beautiful and blessed  
Easter Sunday!  
Thank you for joining us!*

Thank you to everyone for the many prayers during my recent illness. I am feeling much better.

Sincerely,  
Dee Murra

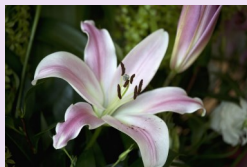
**EASTER BREAKFAST**

Hosted and served by our Confirmation Class. It will begin immediately following this service. Join us for Egg Bake, Cinnamon Rolls, Fresh Fruit, Juice and Coffee. Free will donation.

*Thank you  
Rebekah Jensvold  
and Confirmation Class  
for helping with the service  
today!*

**Thank you to all who donated toward the Easter Flowers!**

- Shirley Hagenson, in memory of Jeff and Drew Doyle, Keith, and loved ones.
- Linda Berhow, in memory of loved ones.
- Amy Walk, in memory of loved ones.
- Mary Badje, in memory of Joe Badje.
- Cheryl Baumann and family, in memory of Auggie.
- Rita Ellsworth, in memory of loved ones.
- Dawn & Denny Meinders—in memory of loved ones.
- Susan & Chris Jensen - in memory of Darrel Jensen & Gerald Molskness
- Ray Bosma & Vonnie Pilgrim-Bosma—in memory of Juanita Bosma, Dean Pilgrim, and loved ones.
- Darryl & Sandi Friest - In memory of Junior & Arlene Friest and Don Silber.
- Grant & Meggon Jacobs - In memory of Debbie Jacobs.
- Karen & Jim Meyering - In memory of loved ones.
- Heidi & Mitch Engelbarts - In memory of Nancy & Bill Jensvold, Sr.
- Bill & Marge Becker - In memory of loved ones.



**Welcome to  
Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
HE IS RISEN!  
Sonrise Service-April 20, 2025**



***If only for this life we have hope in Christ,  
we are to be pitied more than all men.***  
*1 Corinthians 15:19*

Scripture – Matthew 27: 45-50, 57-61

Special Music                      **“Were You There”**                      Rebekah Jensvold

*A moment of silence for prayer and reflection.*

**THE EASTER LITANY**

***“Why do you look for the living among the dead?  
He is not here; he has risen!”*** Luke 24:5

P: Christ is risen!

**C: He is risen indeed!**

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**Opening Song:**                      **“Christ The Lord is Risen Today”**

**\*The Easter Gospel ~ Matthew 28: 1-10**

Welcome and announcements  
Easter greetings

\*Confession and Forgiveness

**Song:**                      **“King of Kings”**

\*Psalm 146 (read in unison)

\*Prayer

**THE WORD**

***The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.  
We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only,  
who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.***  
John 1:14

First lesson – 1 Corinthians 15:50-58  
Responsive Psalm 118:15-29  
Children’s message

**Song:**                      **“Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”**

**Sermon**                      **“Death is Dead”**                      Pastor Eric Hullstrom

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

***“Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to God;  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise if fitting.*** Psalm 147:1

\*Apostles’ Creed

\*The Prayers of the Church

Offering                      **“Praise to the Lord”**

\*Offertory                      **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”**

\*Offering prayer

**THE MEAL**

***“This is my body. This is my blood of the covenant”***  
Mark 14:23-24

\*Service of Holy Communion

The Lord’s Prayer

**Distribution Songs:** **“In Christ Alone”**                      **“O Come to the Altar”**

\*Post-Communion Prayer

**THE SENDING**

***“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name  
of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,  
teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.  
And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”***  
Matthew 28:19-20

\*Benediction

**Closing Song:**                      **“Because He Lives”**