

Welcome to
WEST CLERMONT LUTHERAN CHURCH
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EASTER SUNDAY



Worship 9:30am
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INTRODUCTION

“The last enemy to be destroyed is death,” Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

GATHERING

PRELUDE

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WCLC MISSION STATEMENT: *As children of God, called to love God and one another, we proclaim the Word of God through study, prayer, worship, and discipleship. We serve those in need within our congregation, our community, and our world as an expression of God’s love for us. LOVE, PROCLAIM, SERVE!*

GATHER HYMN: *“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”*

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THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: In the name of ✠ the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C: **Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

P: Holy God,

we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C: Amen.

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE:

"This is the feast.."

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

NOISY CAN OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Choir will sing.*

WORD

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching

peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God!

Psalm: 118:1-2, 14-24 (Responsively)

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God’s mercy endures forever.

² **Let Israel now declare, “God’s mercy endures forever.”**

¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

¹⁵ **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
“The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!**

¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!”

¹⁷ **I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.**

¹⁸ The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹ **Open for me the gates of righteousness;**

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ “This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter.”

²¹ **I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ **By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation: “*Alleluia...*”

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Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P: *The gospel of the Lord.*

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

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**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God, begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father;
 through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from
 heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
 virgin Mary and became truly human.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
 Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living
 and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
 glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
 sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the
 life of the world to come. Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

P: God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER:

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the

reconciling Spirit, † bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING MUSIC:

"Thine is the Glory"

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Love! Proclaim! Serve!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Prayer List

Requested: Karen Kohls, Jeanette (Davisson) Cain, Don Erickson, Jake Noggle, Karen Guyer, Ardell Fortune, Julie Albertson, Larry Kohls, Sarah Updegraff-Murray, Eric Clubb, Bill and Cindy Thias, JoAnn Bishop, Ben Phillips, Meca Loftsgard, Randy Torson.

Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Shut-Ins: Betty Erickson, Bud Siebrecht, Karen Follett, Judy Nelson, Madonna Stumme, Doris Guyer, Evelyn Tague.

In the Military: Jeff Kleppe, Nathan Guyer, Kennedy White.

Sunday, April 6, 2025

Attendance: 63

Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

Attendance: 70

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025


Attendance: 18



Mon.-Thurs.		Drop-off of rummage sale items.
Tues. 4/22	9am	Quilting
Thurs. 4/23		<i>Pr. Mike @ Day of Renewal Retreat</i>
Fri. 4/25	2-6pm	WELCA Rummage/Bake Sale
Sat. 4/26	9am-Noon	WELCA Rummage/Bake Sale
Sun. 4/27	9:30am	Easter Sunday Service
		Holy Communion
		Sunday School
	10:30am	Fellowship/WELCA Rummage/Bake Sale



THERE WILL BE NO FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP TODAY

 **Noisy Can Offering** for 2nd Quarter will be split and go to Shepherd of the Hill Building & Maintenance Fund and Heather Hageman (SOTH Coordinator-who has had recent expenses for an unexpected medical condition).



2025 Summer Camp Program Guides are now available in the entryway downstairs. Early bird registration deadline is February 28th. ***West Clermont Camperships are available.*** Please contact the church office for the form.



Little Flock Women's Spring Gathering @ St. John's Arlington is on Saturday, April 26 beginning @ 9am. The theme is "Answering God's Calling". In Kind offering for St. John Little Food Pantry (nonperishable products). Offering will go to Fayette County Food Shelf. \$7 per person. Lunch will be served.



Synod Assembly 2025 is Sat., June 7th in Cedar Falls. We ***need*** 2 adult voting representatives and 1 youth representative from WCLC to join Pr. Mike for this event. Registration must be submitted by April 27th. If interested, please contact the office or Pr. Mike.



Beulahland Christian Camp 2025 Summer Camp Dates:

- 3rd-5th Grade Camp: June 29-July 3
- 6th-8th Grade Camp: July 13-17
- 9th-12th Grade Camp: July 20-24
- 4th-7th Grade Camp: July 27-31

Registration for 2025 Summer Youth Camps is open now and closes on June 1, 2025. Secure your spot early to ensure your camper can join us at Beulahland! We look forward to welcoming you! For more information or to register for camp email: www.beulahlandbiblecamp.org.



Rummage Sale Items can be dropped off beginning Monday, April 21, during office hours. Areas will be marked as to where to place your items. No clothing please.



Baked Goods can come in Thursday & Friday.




Alzheimer's Awareness Program sponsored by the Clermont Library is Wednesday, May 7th @ 6:30pm at the Opera House.



First Aid for Seniors Program sponsored by the Clermont Library is Wednesday, May 14th @ 6:30pm at the Opera House.



To whom it may concern- baby diapers and feminine hygiene products are available in the restrooms for those times of unexpected need.

SOTH EVENT:  **St. Paul Lutheran Fundraiser in Volga** is Sunday, April 27th from 11:30am-1:30pm @ their fellowship hall. Serving: their FAMOUS maidrites, baked beans, chips, pies, and beverage. Freewill Offering. Carry out available.

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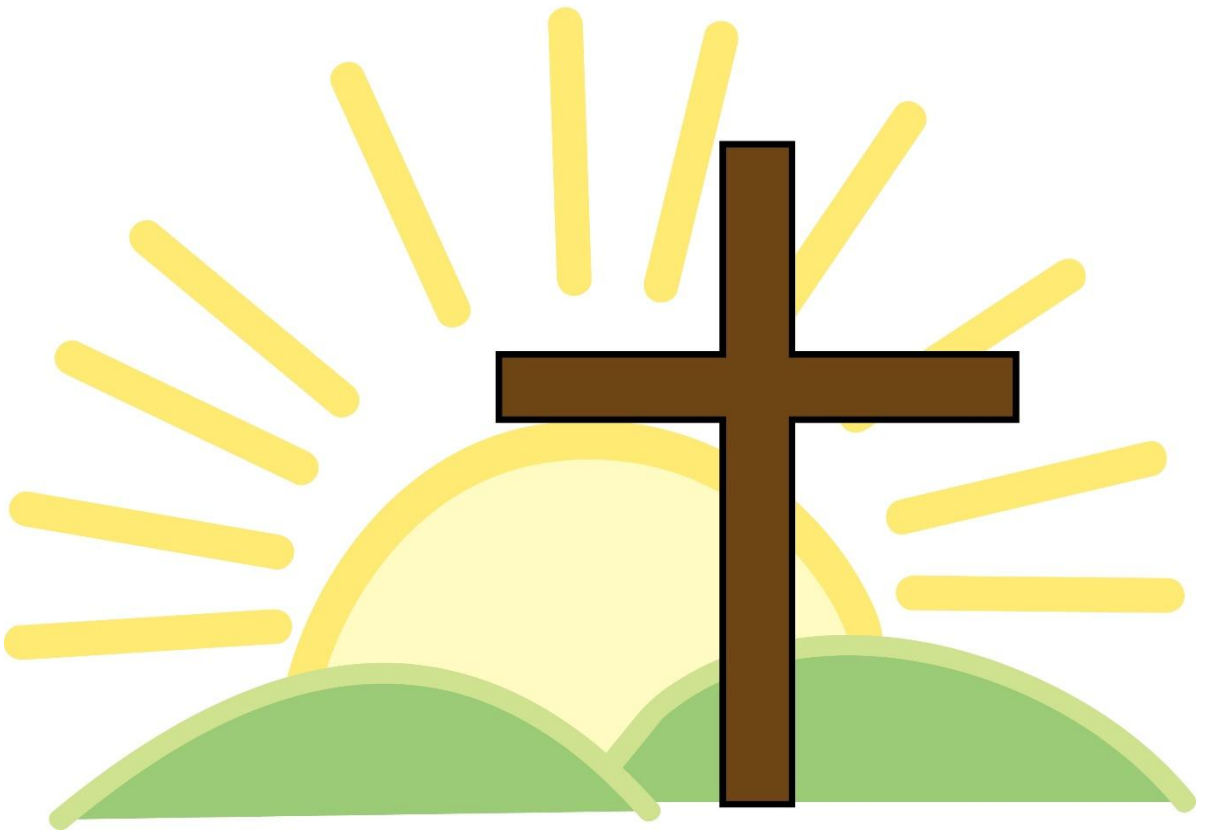
& BAKE SALE

Fri., April 25th from 2-6pm
Sat., April 26th from 9am-noon.
Sun., April 27th after worship.

The rummage sale is freewill donation.

Bake sale items will be priced.

Funds raised will go toward WELCA projects & charities.



Happy
Easter

