

The Feast for the Resurrection of our Lord  
April 4, 2021



*Christ is arisen!  
Let us celebrate for real;  
He is risen indeed!*

**South Big Horn Lutheran Parish**

**Grace Lutheran Church  
Greybull**

For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8-9

**Zion Lutheran Church  
Emblem**

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 12:6

**Notes for the Feast**

**Easter** is the feast for the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and His victory over death and the devil. With His resurrection new life has begun for us - life in the power of His resurrection. The **Paschal Candle** is lit to point to the life of Christ shining through the darkness of death which still surrounds us. The festive colour is **white**, signifying purity, like the priestly robes of the righteous before His throne - or **golden**, pointing to the heavenly treasures.

**Today:**

Festive Order of Holy Communion, LSB p. 151, with *the Nicene Creed*

Hymns: 457 - 459 - 467/469 - 488

## About Holy Communion

Holy Scripture teaches that as an expression of unity (Acts 2:42) Christians should share the Sacrament only with those with whom we are united in a common faith. We honour this teaching as our due obedience, and also to guard the uninstructed and those who do not submit to the full counsel of God against spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). As such, only Christians who share our faith and confession and therefore belong to congregations in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will commune in our church. **We sincerely welcome our visitors;** we assure you that we uphold this practise also out of concern for *your* spiritual welfare, and that our Pastor would love to study Scripture with you and help you embrace the full counsel of God, so that we can celebrate the Sacrament in a manner pleasing to God and beneficial for us all.

### **Just so we do not forget:**

*What benefits does Baptism give?*

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

*What does such baptising with water indicate?*

It indicates that the old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

*Where is this written?*

Saint Paul writes in Romans chapter six: We were therefore buried with Him through Baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father we too may live a new life. *Of the Small Catechism*

**This we believe** - *from the Confessions of our Church* For this reason let everyone value his Baptism as a daily dress in which he is to walk constantly. Then he may ever be found in the faith and its fruit, so that he may suppress the old man and grow up in the new. For if we would be Christians, we must do the work by which we are Christians. *Of the Large Catechism*

**Wyoming District Spring Newsletters** are available in the Narthex.

**Thank you** to all who supported our youth sale; what you ordered is ready for you to pick up today - unless you already got it.

**LWML Spring Workshop** at Saint John's Lutheran Church in Lovell, Saturday, April 17, beginning at 9:30 am.

**A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday:** Part of our readings today is John 20:1 - "Now on the first day of the week ..." All is made new by the Resurrection of Jesus! Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament's Saturday Sabbath to the Lord's Day of the New Testament. For the Lord has made all things new. He has begun a new week for a new creation in rising from the dead as the New Adam. We are also made new in Him - a new heart, a new life, new desires, and a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our Risen Lord's grace. Especially after the sort of year we've had since last Easter. It's sure good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh.

*From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry*

**A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life:** The resurrected Jesus first appeared to a very sinful, formerly demon-possessed woman, Mary Magdalene. The hope of the resurrection is for those hopelessly lost in their sins. In one sense, we could say that this hope is especially for those who are—like the rest of us—hopelessly lost! Thanks be to God! *Heavenly Father, draw me into rejoicing in Jesus' resurrection and the value it gives to all humankind. Amen.*



**The Week:**

- |            |              |  |
|------------|--------------|--|
| Tuesday:   | Noon - 1 pm. | Pastor's office hours at Grace                                     |
| Wednesday: | Noon - 1 pm. | Pastor's office hours at Grace                                     |
| Thursday:  | Noon - 1 pm. | Pastor's office hours at Grace                                     |
| Friday:    | Noon - 1 pm. | Pastor's office hours at Grace                                     |
|            | 7 pm.        | Penitence and Prayer Worship at Grace                              |
| Saturday:  | 7 pm.        | Communion Worship at Grace<br>- <i>in case somebody registers!</i> |
| Sunday:    | 8 am.        | Communion Worship at Zion  |
|            | 9:15 am.     | Bible Study at Zion  |
|            | 10:30 am.    | Communion Worship at Grace   |
|            | 11:45 am.    | Bible Study at Grace   |