

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25 2021



*Still we are exiles,
far from our rightful home, and yet
heirs to the Kingdom!*

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: 477 - 266 - 534 - 475/490 - 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 is the fourth Commandment?

Honour your father and your mother.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God, so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honour them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

Of the Small Catechism

This is our faith - *from the Confessions of our Church*

On the contrary, in our churches all the sermons are filled with such topics as these: repentance; the fear of God; faith in Christ, the righteousness of faith, the comfort of consciences by faith; the exercises of faith; prayer, what its nature should be, and that we should be fully confident that it is powerful, that it is heard; the cross; the authority of officials and all civil ordinances; the distinction between the kingdom of Christ, or the spiritual kingdom, and political affairs; marriage; the education and instruction of children; chastity; all the offices of love.

Apology of the Augsburg Confession

Ascension Dinner at Grace on Wednesday, May 12, at 6 pm. The Youth will serve spaghetti with meat sauce.

Ascension Day Worship will be observed on the eve of the feast, that is: Wednesday, May 12, at 7 pm.

A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday: It is written in 1 John 3:2: "Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is." The essence of our sanctification is becoming like our Lord. As St. John notes, this will only be completed in the Resurrection. In the meantime, we strive toward that goal because we want to walk in the footsteps of our Lord. By His grace we share His destiny in eternal life, and therefore we desire to share His life of service now.

From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry

A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: The joy that comes from the risen Christ cannot be taken away (John 16:22). This is not a feel-good happiness dependent upon circumstances. It is a fruit of Christ's Spirit, the joy of our salvation in Christ that circumstances cannot change or diminish. Many of the life issues we deal with today are "joy robbers" and present opportunities to share the joy of the resurrection. *Gracious Savior, fill my words with the comfort and hope of resurrection to everlasting life with You. Amen.*

What is on our websites? Our wedding policies are posted on our web sites. Our websites also have recent sermons, bulletins and newsletters posted, in case you missed or lost them - and the versions on the websites are corrected or updated as need has been. Pastor Tinglund's articles for the Greybull Standard and the Basin Republican Rustler are posted on the websites, also, along with small articles about the vestments used at our worship services, and a few other things. Please feel free to visit our websites, and to do so often; the more visits we have, the easier our websites will be to find for people who are looking for a Lutheran church in the Big Horn Basin.



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 - in case somebody registers by Friday evening!
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