

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

215 3rd Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701

Pastors: Janet Hernes Mathistad & Gerald Roise

Organist: Deacon Kari Files; Intern Pastor: Dave Myers

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2020

* Standing, for those who are able

PRELUDE

ANTHEM: Peter Mathistad, Tenor
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, who calls us beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth. C: Amen

P: Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

P: God of grace and glory, C: **you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen**

P: Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and + frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

C: Amen

GATHERING

* HYMN: "Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!" Hymn 382 (1,3,4)

* GREETING

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

* GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: Pastor Janet

HYMN: "Unlock, O God, the Shuttered Rooms"

* APOSTLES' CREED

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* PEACE

OFFERING MOMENT

Anthem: Peter Mathistad

PRAYER

Merciful God, **our ordinary gifts seem small, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Prepare us for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. Amen**

* PRAYERS

* LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

* BENEDICTION

P: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. C: Amen

* HYMN: "Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen" Hymn 375 (1,3,4)

* MISSION STATEMENT

* DISMISSAL

L: Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Personal hearing devices are available from the ushers. Please sign a worship/communion card. (Take one from the pew rack.)

COLORED ENVELOPES are for kids offering in our kid's church.

COMMUNION PRACTICE at Bethany: We offer bread or gluten-free wafers and either wine or white grape juice. All the baptized are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you are a guest and commune in your home church, we invite you to share in the Lord's Supper with us. If you do not yet commune, please come forward to receive a blessing.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Lenhart Mindt, Betty Niemann, Terry Price, Jeff Price, Arnie Semchenko, Harold & Shirley Harmon, Vicki Amon, Val Swenson, Donna Erickson, Marlene Pankow, Rhonda Willenbring, Jo Vannett, Muriel Lippert, Harris Olafson, Amber Mills. Accountants, CPA's. Computer IT's, Technicians, Programmers.

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available in the narthex for April, May & June.

ACTIVITY BAGS (paper, toys, etc.) are to enjoy and return.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS will be done the 3rd Sunday of the month.

PRAYER CONCERN POLICY: Names will be carried for up to two months. After two months, you may call to re-enroll a name for another two months

CAUSE OF THE MONTH: Our cause of the month is mission support for **Anne & Wille Langdji**. Please use the global mission envelope in your offering box to support this cause.

BETHANY'S WEBSITE: bethanylutheranminot.org

BETHANY'S STREAMING: bethanylutheran.tv

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YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON EVENTS AT THE
CHURCH. THANK YOU**