



Emmanuel Lutheran Church
of North Hollywood

Second Sunday of Easter

Bulletin for Worship

April 7, 2024

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Welcome, Visitors and Members

GATHERING

Please stand

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Brief silence for reflection

Holy One,

we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor.

Amen

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.


Greeting

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

And also with you.

Gathering Song ~ ELW S149 "This is the Feast"

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



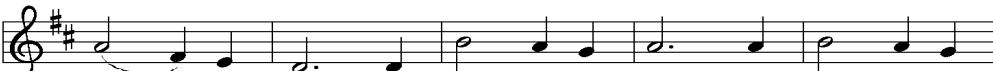
strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the




hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

The children are invited to Sunday School

WORD

First Lesson

Acts 4:32-35

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

¹How good and how pleasant it is,
when kindred live together in unity!

²**It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard,
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his
robe.**

³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the ^l hills of Zion.
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

Second Lesson

1 John 1:1--2:2

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation ~ ELW S151a

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Please be seated

Introduction of Minister Lynnette Lopez

Message ~ Minister Lynnette Lopez

"What do we do while we wait?"

Galatians 6:9; Colossians 3:22-25 KJV

Brief silence for reflection

Please stand

Hymn ~ ELW 635 "We Walk by Faith"



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
may our faith a - bound to call on you when
found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
we re - jice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, and seek where you are found:
and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The presiding minister invites the assembly into prayer.

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

After each petition of the prayers...

Leader: God of grace,
People: hear our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers with these words.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

MEAL

Offering

For those not worshipping in person, please mail your tithe or offering to the church, give online at our website, or use the link here to give.

<https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/d491ee0f-8efd-4459-97c5-fa8df58e33b1>

Musical Offering ~ "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Annika Hoseth

music by John Helgen

Please stand

Offertory Song ~ ELW 184 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit.

May the gifts that we offer here

be signs of your abiding love.

Form us to be your witnesses in the world,

through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen

The Words of Institution

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**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.

Please be seated

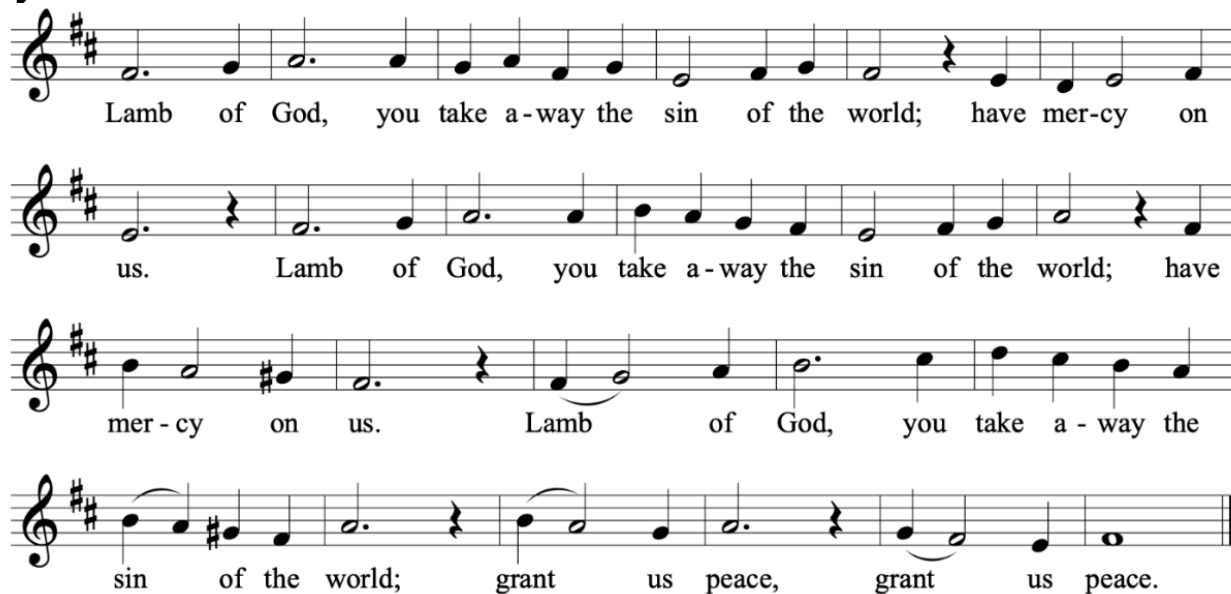
Communion

The table is set; the meal is ready. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.

(gluten free and grape juice options available)

Hymn ~ ELW S 195 "Lamb of God"



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please stand

Prayer after Communion

Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.

Amen

SENDING

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope

✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

Sending Song ~ ELW 376 "Thine Is the Glory"



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan



where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
 to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Minister Lynnette Lopez is a UCLA graduate. A lifelong learner, a consistent, caring, supportive friend, a nurturing mother, and a lover of the Lord.

Throughout her 30 plus years in education, Minister Lopez has mentored countless young people and empowered them to understand that education can change life's trajectory. In addition to classroom responsibilities, Sister Lynn held positions on academic and discipline review boards and served on scholarship committees; she has worked as the Dean of Residential Life for Boys Hope Girls Hope, NY. In her tenure, Ms. Lopez has also served as Department Chair for English, History and Spanish, respectively. She created "Shoebox" and "Fearfully & Wonderfully Made" ministries within former schools and served as outreach advisor for these Christian based clubs.

Growth in a family of faith, active in both church and community, it would seem natural for her gifts to flourish in both venues. Her father and grandfather, both pastors of well-established and active churches in the Los Angeles area, encouraged Minister Lynn to allow the Lord to use her gifts of writing, singing, teaching, and nurturing others to the glory of God. Both of her parents served in ministry and as elementary school principals in the Los Angeles Unified School District for over 30 years. They were instrumental in training Minister Lynnette and her brother under the admonishment of Proverbs 22:6. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Her life in the church, in her home with her family and at every school at which she has taught, has been influenced by the prayerful support and guidance of her parents and family.

Minister Lopez has served on the Ministerial Staff of New Zion Baptist Church in Elizabeth, NJ as Minister of Outreach, and currently serves as an Associate Minister at Calvary Baptist Church, Santa Monica where she co-chairs The Women of Valor Ministry, leads The New Members Ministry, and sings in the choir.

God has smiled on Minister Lynnette, blessing her with three beautiful children, Jordan, Lauren, and Bethany. She continues to give herself to God and He continues to meld a magnificent work in her life.

Announcements

Laurel Hall School Donation Drive

Open Donations At the Front Office

What is needed:

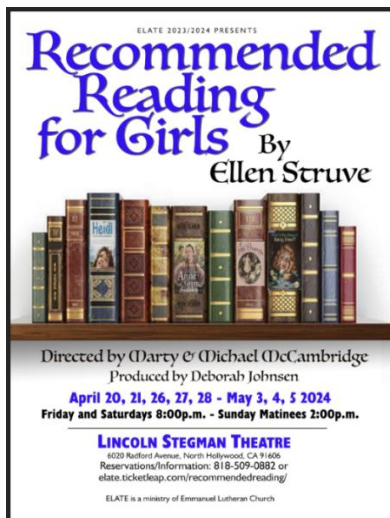
Baseball Caps	Baby Diapers (All Sizes)
Snack Bars	Boy Clothing (new) size 10
Bottled Waters	Girl Clothing (new) size 8
New toys for ages 8-10	
Men and Women Socks and Undershirts (new)	

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ELATE OPEN HOUSE

Join us after services on Sunday April 7 for cookies coffee and a tour of the improved Lincoln Stegman Theater. Come and hear plans for the future, volunteer opportunities and see a scene from our upcoming production of " Recommended Reading for Girls. Show starts at 11:30 AM. Looking forward to seeing you there.

ELATE'S next production is *Recommended Reading for Girls* by Ellen Struve
ELATE Award winners Michael & Marty McCambridge bring you this wonderful family show. We answer the question: "What would you do if a character from your favorite book was waiting in your home to have a chat?"

Amy Saunders has a lot on her mind when she arrives at her childhood home. Reeling from a recent layoff and broken heart, she is here to help her mother through a round of chemo. So, when *Anne of Green Gables* shows up, it may well be the straw that breaks the camel's back.



Annual Paper Shredding Event

Saturday 5/18, 8am -12:30pm. church parking lot

Friends of Music Concert

"Bohemian Duo"

The Belrose Duo will present an exciting concert of Czech composers full of Bohemian flair. April 14, 6:00PM, Emmanuel Sanctuay

David Garret, Cellist for the LA Philharmonic &

Junko Ueno,, Piano Faculty/Music Department at Occidental College

Junko also performs with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Chamber Music Series



North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry

Our congregation is a sustaining member of the Interfaith Food Pantry and as usual, the Pantry needs our help:

Due to the increased price of groceries, there has been a dramatic increase in food bag distribution at the Pantry. As a result, we need helping hands to pack more bags! We are asking people for an hour or two of their time to pack bags at Temple Beth Hillel. Check out some of the ways you can volunteer below. Then visit our website, NHIFP.org, go to the tab "Sign Up Genius" to help out!

Transportation Team transports the loaded grocery bags from the packing site at Temple Beth Hillel to the food distribution site at First Christian Church. Transportation Teams pickup Fridays at 4:00pm. The entire process of transporting 150 to 200 pre-packed bags takes about one hour. Bags are transported in Pantry owned vehicles. You must drive yourself between Temple Beth Hillel and First Christian Church. Sign up to help out here: [North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry: Transport bags from Temple to new pantry and/or unload truck \(signupgenius.com\)](http://NorthHollywoodInterfaithFoodPantry.org)

Packing Team fills the bags and sorts them in the basement of Temple Beth Hillel. Sign up to help out here: [North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry: Pack Bags at the Temple OR at Distribution - CHECK LOCATION ADDRESS! \(signupgenius.com\)](http://NorthHollywoodInterfaithFoodPantry.org)

Sack Lunches Team makes sack lunches at home and delivers them to the First Christian Church. Sign up to help out here: [North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry: Provide sack lunches - make at home and deliver \(signupgenius.com\)](http://NorthHollywoodInterfaithFoodPantry.org)

Please place your grocery in the food collection box in the narthex and they will be taken to the temple periodically.

Worship Team

Pastor	Pastor Dennis Hahle
Message	Minister Lynnette Lopez
Minister of Music	Mark Longfield
Organist	Andy Gladbach
Greeter	Judy Marsh
Communion Asst. #1 (tray)	Diana Howison
Communion Asst. #2 (tray)	Darlene Michener
Communion Asst. #3 (recp.)	Jim Ohrt
Communion Asst. #4 (recp.)	Sylvia Ottemoeller
Lector	Judy Marsh
Usher #1	Terri Lau
Usher #2	Barbara Piecka
Usher #3	Andrew Piecka
Gaffer	Marshall Bowen
Sound	Ted Akin
Live Stream	Jessie Tobey

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