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**Second Sunday of Easter  April 23, 2017**

The Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

Pastor: *Let us open our Worship Service this morning in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. And all God’s children said:*

**“AMEN. PRAISE THE LORD!**” *(Psalm 106:48)*

Opening Hymn….. **#3**……(Red Hymnal & on screen)…… “Holy, Holy, Holy!”

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*Pastor:* Let us take a few moments to silently talk to God from our hearts

*Pastor:* Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer

**We confess unto you that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Therefore we come to you in the Name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, trusting in Your mercy, and asking Your forgiveness.**

*Pastor:* If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9) If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. (Romans 10: 8-10)

*Congregation*: **Lord Jesus, I believe in You. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise … **#372** (vs. 1 & 3 and on screen)………...…  “Our God Reigns”

The Prayer of the Day

First Lesson…… (on screen)……...........................................… **Psalm 23**

Second Lesson….(on screen.)…………………… ……...…... **Hebrews 13:20-21**

The Gospel.......... (on screen)….……..….................................. **John 10:7-18**

 **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**

 **As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,**

 **world without end. Amen**

Special Music                                                           Dan Sanderson

Children’s Sermon

Pulpit Hymn …**#688 (**vs. 1, 2 & 4 and on screen)..

 ….. “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Message……………………………………...…..……… The Lord is My Shepherd

Hymn of the Day… **#682 (**and on screen)......... Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

The Apostles’ Creed (from Luther’s Small Catechism, Ambassador Publications, 2007)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was Crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church, The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen**

The Offertory *(presentation of our offering to the Lord)*

Response: **#88** Words below …..................................“More Precious Than Silver”

**Lord, You are more precious than silver,**

**Lord, You are more costly than gold.**

**Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds,**

**And nothing I desire compares with You.** (x 2)

### Prayers of the Church (see insert, congregation may be seated)

After each petition the Pastor will pray: *“We ask this in Jesus Name.”*

Congregational Response: “**Thank you Lord Jesus.”**

The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn….. **#368**…… (and on screen)…………………..….. “He Lives”

Closing Prayer

Pastor: *Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.*

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

After the service everyone is invited into the Fellowship Hall, to feast on chicken from the Kozy Kitchen and homemade salads from our congregation, as we celebrate**Meta Johnson's** 101st Birthday.

The Flowers on the Alter are given by **Rebecca Thoreson** in loving memory of her son, **Michael Eilert Wendelboe**, (2/2/91 - 4/28/91).

Thank you to **Sara Moore** for reading our scripture lessons. And thanks also to all the other participants in our service today for being a blessing in our worship.

Thank You to **Dan Sanderson**, Pastor Emory's brother-in-law, for his special music for us today.

Next Sunday **Pnina Ben Yaakov**of Shalom Music International in Jerusalem, Israel will be here to share with us.  A basket will be placed in the back of the sanctuary for anyone wishing to give a gift towards her ministry.  Checks can be made out to:  Shalom Music International.

If you are interested in using a personal listening device to assist you in hearing the service, whether or not you use a hearing aid, just let an usher know or ask for one at the sound booth in the back of the Sanctuary. Large print bulletins are also available upon request.

**TODAY** 9:30 am ……………….……..................................Worship Service

 *Followed by coffee ,lunch, and fellowship*

7:00 pm….......……Psalm 91 Bible Study-at the Blomberg Residence

**MON** 6:00 pm……………………...…..………………… DivorceCare

**TUES.** 7:00 pm………………..…………… The Gospel of John Bible Study

**WED.** 6:30am……………………...……………………Men’s Bible Study

 9:00 am………………..…………….………………………..Quilting

 12:00pm…………………...…….… The Gospel of John Bible Study

 2:00 to 3:00 pm ………….....….……. Congregational Prayer Time

 After School 3:45 to 5:15 p.m…(at Calvary)……….......Noah’s Park

 7:00 pm………...……… **Billy Molls, Modern Day Mountain Man**

**NEXT SUN**. 9:30 am…............................................................Worship Service

 *Followed by coffee and fellowship*

11:00 to Noon…………………………...……………Sunday School

 11:15 to 11:45 am................................................ Adult Bible Study