

Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018



Welcome to Spirit of Joy!

God has gathered us together to live as God's beloved daughters and sons, and to:

WELCOME people *into a community of followers of Jesus Christ;*
GROW with one another *in faith and hope in Him;*
SEND out one another as Jesus' compassionate *servants in the world.*

We're glad that you have joined us for worship today to meet the God who meets us in the Risen Christ and the Holy Spirit of Joy. If you would like to know more about Spirit of Joy, please indicate your interest on the clipboards sitting in our chairs. You may also contact our church office at 333-2004, e-mail us at info@spiritofjoy.net, check out our website at www.spiritofjoy.net, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/spiritofjoylutheran or on Twitter at [@spiritofjoysf](https://twitter.com/spiritofjoysf).

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Greeters/Ushers:

8:45am: Ken & Star Munch

11:00am: Jason & Jamie Appel

Communion:

8:45am: Cheryl Larson & Donna Ver Wey 11:00am: Brian & Carrie Rehnke

Reader:

8:45am: Pam Walton

11:00am: Tracy Dahl-Webb

Hosts: Char Sorum, Deb Nelson, Sharon Peterson

Spirit of Joy Nursery: Spirit of Joy welcomes all children to worship with their families. If small children need breaks, parents are welcome to use the nursery at any time Sunday morning. There is a remote access TV in the nursery so families may continue to listen to the worship.

Announcements

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.



Save the Date: Women of Spirit! The next Women of Spirit event will be held Tuesday, April 17th at 6:30pm. The theme will be “Families: Hopes, Dreams, and Unexpected Surprises” –a panel discussion.



Discovery Class/Introduction to Membership: Interested in becoming a Spirit of Joy ministry partner or learning more about SoJ? Our next Discovery Class will meet on Saturday, April 28th from 9:00am-12:30. We'd love for you to join us! Please RSVP to Amy Orr, our Office Manager (333-2004 or info@spiritofjoy.net).

TODAY: Sunday Forum continues with “How Lutherans Interpret the Bible.” We've had some lively conversations. All sessions are stand-alone & you're invited to this excellent DVD and discussion. 10 am Galilee Room.

Help Wanted – Spirit of Joy is currently looking for a pianist/keyboard player to serve as a paid, part-time accompanist for our worship band. Our band plays two Sundays/month at two morning worship services, and rehearses on Wednesday evenings. More information and a complete



position description can be obtained by contacting Pastor Jeff Eisele at jeffeisele@spiritofjoy.net, or at 605 333-2004.

Houston Mystery Sponsorship Fundraiser – Thank you to everybody who took an envelope to sponsor a teen. Please remember to return the \$30 donation & the note by April 27.

Pine Ridge Retreat – From **April 15-18** Spirit of Joy will commission and send a group of travelers to the ELCA Retreat Center on the Pine Ridge Reservation in Southwestern South Dakota. Please prayerfully consider participating in this experience of learning and listening. The cost, which will depend on the size of the group, should end up around \$125-\$150 per person. For more info, contact Pastor Christy.

Upcoming Faith Milestones: **5th Grade Earthcare Milestone** April 22nd at noon following worship for pizza and activities. **Teens and Traffic** for new (and almost new) drivers, Sunday May 6 at noon for pizza and guest Officer Joey Larson. **High School Graduation**, either May 20, or June 3 at 8:45 worship. You may choose either date. RSVP family@spiritofjoy.net

Pastor Wayne Gallipo from St. Dysmas will be our forum guest May 13. Join us at 10 a.m. in the Galilee Room. We'll learn more about the ELCA congregation at the SD Penitentiary, and our participation and support of this ministry.



Bring your bike and join the preschool on **Monday, May 14, 6:30pm** for a **Bike-a-Thon Fundraiser and Open House** with chalk art, smores, bike helmet education, and garden walks. Funds raised will help purchase trikes and outdoor toys. For more info or to join the bike ride fundraiser, visit spiritofjoy.net/preschool. Forms also available at the preschool table in Gathering Space.

NeSoDak's Spring Service Day: All ages, skill sets and abilities are invited to NeSoDak on Saturday, April 28th from 9am-4pm to enjoy some time at camp and help get the site ready for the busy summer season! Come bring your servant hands and hearts for a day filled with community, camp fun and service! Breakfast and lunch are provided for this free event! Please RSVP by calling NeSoDak at [\(605\) 947-4440](tel:6059474440) or emailing nesodak@losd.org.

Opportunities for the Week:

Sunday:

4:00pm – Piano Recital

Monday-Thursday: Befrienders Training (Galilee Room)
Tuesday: Polling Place for City Elections
Wednesday: 10:00am – Spirit of Joy Staff Meeting
6:15pm - Worship
7:00pm – Sprouts & Confirmation
8:00pm – HS Youth Group
Thursday: 6:30am – Thursday Men’s Bible Study @ Fryn’ Pan
7:00pm – Greatest Story
Friday: 9:00 am – Greatest Story