

# *Easter Sunday*



*April 5, 2026 | 9:00 a.m.*

*Kviteseid Lutheran Church  
308 North Third Street  
Milan, Minnesota*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

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*Welcome to Kviteseid Lutheran Church... CHRIST IS RISEN — HE IS RISEN INDEED! We greet those who are visiting with us today in the name of our risen Savior. We are gathered as a community of Christians. Our center is Jesus Christ. We are here to know again the touch of his forgiving and healing hand. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor (name) and sign our guest register as you leave.*

## UNVEILING OF THE CROSS

*The week ended with the awful turmoil and suffering of the cross. Jesus breathed His last and went silent. On Sunday morning, the women came quietly...mostly in silence. What was there to say, with their Jesus gone...silent? Let us keep with that silence and find our place and keep that place “in silence” as we quietly ponder the Sunday morning walk to the tomb by those who had loved Jesus so dearly.*

## EASTER DIALOG

P We look to the cross, Jesus is not there. We ponder the tomb, it is open and empty! From that setting of history comes the joyous proclamation: “He is not here!” And, the joyous explanation

P He is risen!

C **He is risen indeed.**

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P He is risen!

C **He is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

## OPENING HYMN

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

ELW #365

## EASTER WELCOME AND GREETING

P In the name of Jesus, welcome to this special day of Easter worship here at Kviteseid Lutheran church! We gather from different backgrounds and places and yet we gather as one, one believing body in the Risen Christ! Jesus has a place for each of us in this world and He welcomes all into this holy time and place of worship.

P Let us give thanks:

C **We give you thanks, O God for in the beginning you called forth life in which you took delight. Shower us with your continued spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace and love. To you may we always be ready to give honor, praise and love for the gift of your Son, our Lord and Savior, the Risen Christ Jesus. Amen**

**BAPTISMAL HYMN** “Children of the Heavenly Father” (vs. 1 & 2) ELW #781

**HOLY BAPTISM** ELW #227  
**Jackson James Tostenson**

**Hymn** “Jesus Loves You!” ELW# 595

**PSALM 16: 7-11**

L <sup>7</sup> I bless the LORD, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me

C <sup>8</sup> **I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**

L <sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

C <sup>10</sup> **For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

L <sup>11</sup> You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. and be glad in it.

**LESSON: Romans 8:31-34**

**HYMN** “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!” (vs. 1 & 2) ELW #385

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12**

**P** The Gospel of our Lord.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**EASTER GREETING**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing" ELW #389

**OFFERING**

**JINGLE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE** “Create in Me a Clean Heart” ELW #186

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C**     **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.**

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

**COMMUNION HYMNS**    “Now the Green Blade Rises”                   ELW #379  
                                  “Beautiful Savior”   ELW #838

## BLESSING

**CLOSING HYMN**       “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”           ELW #848

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and send disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
to serve in families, communities and the world,  
witnessing to the love of God  
and the empowerment of Christ's Spirit.*



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