



PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING; JOYS IN GOD'S +WORK AND WILL

We pray for...

- **Julia Witt, our deaconess intern** and our ministry together.
- **Lydia Raicevich** (4/28/25) to Alex and Halle Raicevich.
- **Nora Violet Davis** (4/3/25) to John and Makayla Davis.
- **Zion's confirmands** – Lillian Plourde and Abby Wood – as they prepare for the Rite of Confirmation on May 4 (early service).
- **VBS preparations.** For planning that is coming together and for kids that will come and learn about Jesus.
- **LCMS Youth Gathering** in New Orleans this summer. For the planners and Zion's group as we prepare to participate.
- **Schools and Colleges, medical and first responders – all in our communities who make it work and thrive.**
- **Those who protect and serve** in our lives (governmental, law enforcement, military, many more).
- **The mission of St. John Lutheran Church & School, Aurora, IN.**

IMMEDIATE NEEDS / PETITIONS

We pray for. . .

- **The unemployed and underemployed** that God might open employment opportunities and joy of vocation.
- For the conflicts in **Syria, Ukraine, The Israel/ Gaza Region;** The families, people devastated by **natural or made-made disasters (CA wildfires, hurricanes, storms/ incidents, Myanmar and others).**
- Relief of pain, strength, and healing for **Al Born** (knee surgery, 5/6/25), **Doris Motley, Linda Hughes, Pat Shaw, Nathan Plourde, and our family/ friends** in need of healing.
- **Those in Care Centers/ Those at Home:** Debbie Rose Howard, Bill Siegel, Janet Brunner, Vera Zimmerman, Anna Moynahan, Ty and Michele Arendall, Bob and Sharon Ruppel, Vida Musselman, Jody Wiebe.
- **The Matern Family (Walter, 3/21/25), and all families walking through the valley of death's shadow.** Comfort and strength in *the* Resurrection.
- **Those who suffer in silence.**



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1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son

sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill
slum - ber Till trump from east to west

Has sprung to life this mor - row:
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:
Shall wake the dead in num - ber:

Refrain

Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,
Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -
ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



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