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"WE GROW IN GOD'S WORD SO THAT WE CAN GO WITH GOD'S WORD"

THE FESTIVAL OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Thank you for worshipping with us at Northdale Lutheran! We are so glad you are joining us to proclaim what God has done and to sing his praises. Here the Lord also comes to us and strengthens us with his mighty Word. Here are a few suggestions to maximize your online worship experience:

- ❖ Participate! Stand, sit, read and sing where appropriate throughout the service.
- ❖ Remove distractions. Turn off your cell phone and remove other distractions from your worship area.
- ❖ Check In to Northdale Lutheran Church on Facebook. Let others know you have chosen to worship God through this turmoil.
- ❖ Check in with other members. Send a message to someone you would normally talk to at Church and see how they are coping. Social distancing doesn't mean we stop caring about other people.
- ❖ Everything you need for worship is printed in the worship folder.



WORSHIP THEME

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Because Jesus rose from the dead, our fear of God and death is gone. With Jesus as our brother, he will bring us from death into life.

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN, CW #157, "JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY"



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured,
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured,
Praise e - ter - nal as his love,



Who did once up - on the cross,
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's King,
Praise him, all you heav'n - ly host,



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss,
Sin - ners to re - deem and save, Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing,
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

Text: Latin hymn, 14th century, st. 1-3; Charles Wesley, 1707-88, st. 4; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708, st. 1-3, alt.
Tune: EASTER HYMN (77 77 with Alleluias) *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708, alt.

PLEASE STAND

EASTER DIALOGUE

M(inister): In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C(ongregation): Amen.

M: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

M: Let us rejoice and give thanks to God for the victory our Lord Jesus Christ won by his death and resurrection.

C: It is for us that he has triumphed.

M: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too, may live a new life.

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

C: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of the our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us..

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
for sins of habit and sins of choice,**

**for the evil that I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.**

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me for Jesus's sake.

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: With joy in our hearts, let us praise the Lord.

SONG OF PRAISE

**I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living Head!**

**He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save.
He lives all-glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.**

**He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears.
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.**

**He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
“I know that my Redeemer lives!”**



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, you conquered death and opened the gates to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in the newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing His glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise, now and forever.

C: Amen

BE SEATED

THE WORD OF GOD*



THE FIRST LESSON: JONAH 2:2-9

Jesus compared himself with only one Old Testament prophet: Jonah. Why? Because in his suffering and death, he took the place of sinful man who deserves nothing but judgment and death.

He said:

“In my distress I called to the Lord,
and he answered me.

From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help,
and you listened to my cry.

³You hurled me into the depths,
into the very heart of the seas,
and the currents swirled about me;

*The Word of God

“The reading of the Lessons is a highlight of a service. The spiritually hungry have come to be fed and nurtured and to drink from the waters of life. Knowing that ‘faith comes from hearing the message,’ God’s people listen intently with attention aroused to be blessed by the hearing of God’s Word.” Christian Worship Manual

all your waves and breakers
swept over me.

⁴I said, 'I have been banished
from your sight;
yet I will look again
toward your holy temple.'

⁵The engulfing waters threatened me,
the deep surrounded me;
seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶To the roots of the mountains I sank down;
the earth beneath barred me in forever.

But you, Lord my God,
brought my life up from the pit.

⁷"When my life was ebbing away,
I remembered you, Lord,
and my prayer rose to you,
to your holy temple.

⁸"Those who cling to worthless idols
turn away from God's love for them.

⁹But I, with shouts of grateful praise,
will sacrifice to you.

What I have vowed I will make good.

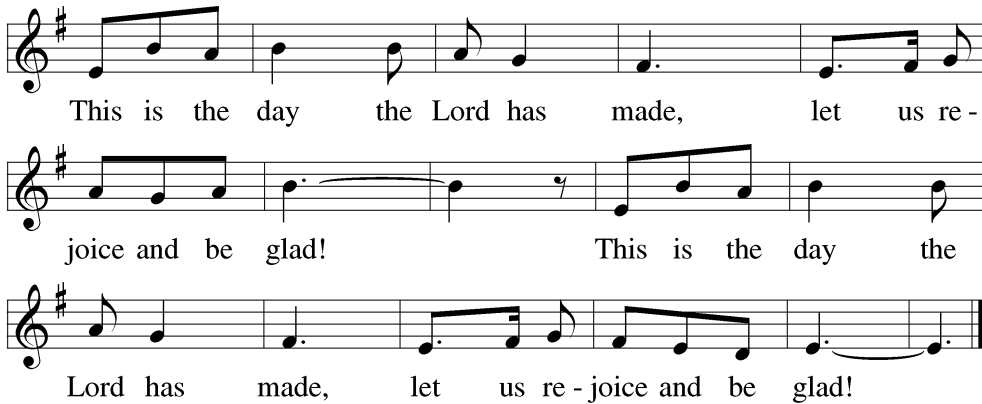
I will say, 'Salvation comes from
the Lord.' "



PSALM OF THE DAY, *PSALM 118*

Jesus' victory over death that we celebrate today has secured our salvation. For this we rejoice!

Refrain



Psalm tone



Refrain

The LORD is my strength and my song;*
he has become my salvation.

The LORD'S right hand is lifted high;*

the LORD'S right hand has done mighty things!

I will not die but live,*
and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

Refrain

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;*
you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;^{*}
the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;*
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

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THE SECOND LESSON: COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

Through Baptism, God kills our sinful nature and raises a new man to life within us.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



HYMN, CW #162 "HE IS ARISEN! GLORIOUS WORD!"

He is a - ris - en! Glo - rious Word! Now rec - on - ciled
is God, my Lord; The gates of heav'n are o - pen.
My Je - sus did tri - um - phant die, And Sa - tan's ar -
rows bro - ken lie, De - stroyed hell's fierc - est weap - on.
Oh, hear What cheer! Christ vic - to - rious, Ris - ing glo - rious,
Life is giv - ing. He was dead, but now is liv - ing!

Text: Birgitte K. Boye, 1742–1824; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, alt.
Tune: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET (887 887 22 44 48) Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608, alt.

PLEASE STAND

THE GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 28:1-10

The living Son of God had made full payment for sin so that he could call us brothers. Mankind is redeemed; death is defeated; fear is conquered. And Christ looks upon us forgiven sinners and calls us his brothers and sisters! This is the day the Lord has made!

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”

⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

BE SEATED



SERMON HYMN, CW #141, "AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING"



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing
 2 Might - y Vic - tim from the sky,
 3 Now no more can death ap - pall,
 4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy!
 5 Fa - ther, who the crown shall give,



Praise to our vic - to - rious King,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs be - neath you lie.
 Now no more the grave en - thrall;
 This a - lone can sin de - stroy;
 Sav - ior, by whose death we live,



Who has washed us in the tide Flow - ing
 You have con - quered in the fight; You have
 You have o - pened par - a - dise, And your
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, New - born
 Spir - it, guide through all our days, Three in



from his pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 brought us life and light. Al - le - lu - ia!
 saints in you shall rise. Al - le - lu - ia!
 souls in you to be. Al - le - lu - ia!
 One, your name we praise. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th century, abr.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–68, alt.
 Tune: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT (77 77 4) *Kirchengeseng*, Ivanceice, 1566.

SERMON TEXT: MATTHEW 28:1-10

SERMON THEME:

You Can't Cancel Easter!



THANKSGIVING

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APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will 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.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Luke 12:34) The members of Northdale Lutheran joyfully give our offerings to the LORD in response to His Word and in thanks for the many ways he has blessed us. We have joined together as a congregation to use these offerings to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world through the work of our Synod. Your gifts moved by the Holy Spirit out love for God and his blessings are welcome.

Online giving is now set up and available through our membership software entitled Breeze. You can give through Breeze two ways: 1) You can give by texting "Give" to (813) 652-0408. 2). You can go to <https://northdale.breezechms.com/give/online>. You can certainly ask if you have any questions.

If electronic giving isn't for you, you are invited to mail your offerings to the church.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Heavenly Father, God of grace, you have brought us into a new and living hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

C: Christ is risen!

M: For as in Adam all died, so in Christ all will be made alive.

C: He is risen indeed!

M: He was delivered over to death for our sins and raised to life for our justification.

C: Alleluia!

M: We marvel at the love you showed by your willingness to sacrifice your Son to pay for our sins; we bow down in adoration at your mighty power, which raised him from the dead.

C: We praise you for sending the true Life and Light into the world.

M: Lord Jesus, God of grace, you have filled our hearts with resurrection joy by your victory over sin, death, and the grave.

C: You have conquered the darkness and given us comfort and hope.

M: With the Church of every age, we offer you unending praise, for you have crushed Satan's head and have removed our guilt.

C: You are risen!

M: Dear Savior, we who are weary and burdened come to you for rest, knowing that because of your perfect redemption there is now no condemnation for us.

C: You are risen indeed!

M: Take away our doubts and fears, and daily renew in us the joy of our salvation.

C: Alleluia!

M: Holy Spirit, God of grace, you have called us by the gospel and brought us to saving faith in our risen Lord.

C: We glorify you for opening our eyes to see the light of life.

M: Keep us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

C: He is risen!

M: As we journey through life, make us yearn for the day when you will give eternal life to us and all believers in Christ.

C: He is risen indeed!

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Work through us as we proclaim the saving message of the crucified and risen Jesus near and far, so that many others may hear your call, obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, and join us before the throne of our God and of the Lamb.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia! Amen.

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.**

BE SEATED

HYMN, CWS #720, "CHRIST JESUS LAY IN DEATH'S STRONG BANDS" (VS, 1,3,5-7)



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong
 2 No son of man could con - quer
 3 Christ Je - sus, God's own Son, came
 4 It was a strange and dread - ful



bands For our of - fens - es giv -
 death, Such ru - in sin had wrought
 down, His peo - ple to de - liv -
 strife When life and death con - tend -



en; But now at God's right hand he
 us. No in - no - cence was found on
 er; De - stroy - ing sin, he took the
 ed. The vic - to - ry re - mained with



stands And brings us life from heav -
 earth, And there - fore death had brought
 crown From death's pale brow for - ev -
 life; The reign of death was end -



en. There - fore let us joy - ful be
 us In - to bond - age from of old
 er. Stripped of pow'r, no more it reigns;
 ed. Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly says



And sing to God right thank - ful -
 And ev - er grew more strong and
 An emp - ty form a - lone re -
 That death is swal - lowed up by

5 Here the true Paschal Lamb we see,
Whom God so freely gave us;
He died on the accursed tree—
So strong his love—to save us.
See, his blood now marks our door;
Faith points to it; death passes o'er,
And Satan cannot harm us.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 So let us keep the festival
To which the Lord invites us;
Christ is himself the joy of all,
The sun that warms and lights us.
Now his grace to us imparts
Eternal sunshine to our hearts;
The night of sin is ended.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 Then let us feast this Easter Day
On Christ, the bread of heaven;
The Word of grace has purged away
The old and evil leaven.
Christ alone our souls will feed;
He is our meat and drink indeed;
Faith lives upon no other!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–1887, alt.
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FINAL PRAYER

M: Grant, O Lord, that the lips which here have sung your praises may continue to glorify you in the world; that the ears which have heard you speak may be open always to your Word; that the tongues which have confessed your name may always speak the truth without fear; that all of us who have worshiped together today may be united in true love for each other as you have loved us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



BE SEATED



FINAL HYMN, CW #143, "HE'S RISEN, HE'S RISEN"



1 He's ris - en, he's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;
2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry
3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,
4 Oh, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car-nate Word.
The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.
And death, hell, and Sa - tan he van-quished, his foes.
Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.
Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song
In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,
The con - quer - ing Lord lifts his ban - ner on high;
For all our trans - gres - sions his blood does a - tone;
Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain,



And earth, sea, and moun - tain the prais - es pro - long.
For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.
He lives, yes, he lives, and will nev - er - more die.
Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are his own.
Who now sits in glo - ry and ev - er shall reign.

Text: C. F. W. Walther, 1811–87, abr.; tr. Anna M. Meyer, 1867–1941, alt.
Tune: WALTHER (11 11 11 11) C. F. W. Walther, 1811–87.

Copies of today's sermon can be found on our website at www.northdalelutheran.org. We also e-mail out daily devotions. If you would like to receive these daily devotions, please e-mail Pastor Vann at pastor@northdalelutheran.org and let him know. You can also become a friend on Facebook.

Announcements:

Office Closed tomorrow: Our church and school office will be closed tomorrow. If you have any emergencies that require pastoral attention, you can contact Pastor Vann at home.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Currently because of the precautions concerning COVID-19, starting this morning we will be conducting Sunday morning Bible Class online through Google Meet starting at 10:15. At 10:15, you can enter this address in your menu bar (meet.google.com/ozg-oixf-pps) and you will be able to join in our Bible Study. I will also send this out via email and it will be posted in the Daily Devotions on our Facebook page so you will be able to access it there. It will be a little different from normal, but we hope it will be a great way for us to study God's Word together despite having to keep our distance from one another.

Camp South Registration Open: Registration is now open for Camp South. Camp South is a youth camp for all students entering grades 4-9. Camp South will be held July 22-26 in Covington, GA. Registration is \$295 per attendee (before April 30) and \$320 (after April 30). You can register at www.sadcamps.com.

WELS International Youth Rally-Vision 20/20: Because of the health crisis that is happening around the world, The WELS International Youth Rally for this summer had to be cancelled.

Martin Luther College Matching Grant Program: Martin Luther College, our WELS College of Ministry, has designed a program to help congregations support and encourage their young people to study for the pastoral or teaching ministry. The matching grant program will match up to \$1,000 given by a congregation for each student. So if the congregation can raise \$1,000, the student will receive another \$1,000 from MLC for a total of \$2,000 in aid. The Ministry Leadership Team authorized a drive to raise \$1,000 in support of Tabitha Vannieuwenhoven who is attending Martin Luther College. If you are interested in helping to support Tabitha as she studies to be a teacher, you can send your checks to the office mark them: MLC Congregational Match. There is also a category on our electronic giving so you can give that way. Thank you in advance for your support of this program. We at Northdale Lutheran have benefitted greatly from the pastors and teachers trained from Martin Luther College. This is a great way to support and encourage our own members to pursue this career.

Luther Prep Gala: Every year, Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI holds a Gala event in April. The main focus of the event is to support the mission of LPS! The support from this event is especially focused on tuition assistance and Project Timothy. Unfortunately, because of the current government mandates, this year's event will be held via Livestream on Saturday, April 18 from 5:00 -9:00 pm. The good news about this is that everyone can be part of this event. You will find the Gala here: <https://events.readysetauction.com/lutherpreparatoryschool/galaxy> After discussion at our last MLT meeting, our Leadership voted to support a table at this event at the \$600 level. Their reasoning was fourfold: 1) These young people are the next pastors and teachers in our church body and we have been blessed through the pastors and teachers who have served here; 2) we have 3 students from our church who have attended or are currently attending the school with more to come in the next few years; 3) we have benefitted from Project Timothy the past 3 years which has come at relatively no cost to our congregation; and 4) we significantly reduced our mission offering to the synod this year and this provides us a way to help

offset that. The Leadership is asking 2 things from our congregation: 1) Will you consider donating to help cover this \$600 cost? You can label your checks or envelope: Luther Prep Gala; and 2) Consider participating in the Gala and auction. Everything will be online. When we have the exact site for this, we'll pass it along. You can find more information about the Gala and the auction as www.lps.wels.net. Look under Support LPS>Gala. If you have any questions, you can speak with Pastor Vann about them.

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This Week:

Monday (4/13): Office Closed

Tuesday (4/14): 6:30-8:00pm - Bible Information Class

Wednesday (4/15): 3:00pm - Catechism Class

Sunday (4/19): 9:00am - Online Worship

10:15am – Online Adult Bible Study

Serving Today

Music: Dane Mattes

Elder: David Mosakowski

Serving Next Week

Music: Amy Vann

Elder: David Mosakowski

Financial Information

Contributions for 4/5: \$2,376.00

Online Contributions for 4/5: \$2,875.00

Contributions budgeted: \$4,423.08

Contributions budgeted to date: \$176,923.20

Contributions received to date: \$184,757.18

Ahead or (Short) through 4/5/20: \$7,833.18

2019-2020 Year to Date Actuals Through February 29

Total Income (Church and School): \$455,483.17

Total Expenses (Church and School): \$395,094.84

Ahead of (Short) Year to Date: \$60,388.33

Building Our Faith ~ Family ~ Future

Total Gifts Pledged to the Project: \$370,000.00

Received Last Week: \$65.00

Total received to date: \$356,621.42

Projected Completion date: March 2020

Martin Luther College Congregational Partner Program

Goal to raise: \$1,000.00 by June 1

This week: \$0

Total Gifts received to date: \$687.50

Luther Prep Gala

Goal to raise: \$600.00

Gifts this past week: \$0

Total gifts received to date: \$75.00