

A close-up photograph of several fish, likely salmon, being broiled on a metal grill. The fish are arranged diagonally across the frame. Their skin is charred and browned, while the flesh underneath appears moist and pinkish. The grill's metal bars are visible, creating a grid pattern over the fish. The background is dark and out of focus, emphasizing the fish and the text.

THEY
GAVE HIM
A PIECE OF
BROILED
FISH,
AND
WE ATE
IN THEIR
PRESENCE

LUKE 24:42-43

Hope Lutheran Church

April 18, 2021

Pastor

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Organist

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Third Sunday in Easter

Prelude, Welcome Announcements

Opening Hymn (listen) "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done" LBW # 135

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Prayer of the Day (in unison)

"Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Lessons Acts 3:12-19

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1 John 3:1-7

"Alleluia" (spoken) pg. 62

Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

Sermon

Hymn of the Day (listen) "Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks" WOV # 671

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Prayers of the Church

The Peace

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Offertory Prayer (spoken)	pg. 67
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Welcome to Hope Lutheran

We are happy to have you worship with us today! Please sign our guest book in the entry if you are visiting. We invite all communing Christians to join us in Holy Communion.

The Calendar

- Wednesday, April 21: 6:00 p.m. 8th Confirmation
- Wednesday, April 21: Administrative Professionals Day
- Thursday, April 22: Earth Day
- Sunday, April 25: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Rite of Confirmation for Preston Rumery

In Our Prayers we remember Bruce Gerking, Ruth Hietbrink, & Leta Steinkuhler

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FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Psalms 4**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7**

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."