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- “We are risen indeed” (p. 5)—a look at how we are risen with Christ through Baptism.
- “It’s worth it” (p. 10)—a study of the truths of Jesus’ humiliation and exaltation.
- “A planned victory procession” (p. 12)—a review of Jesus’ Palm Sunday ride into Jerusalem and what it says to us today.
- “Q&A” (p. 14)—an examination of the timing and purpose of Jesus’ descent into hell.

Looking for more articles about the Christian hope we have through our risen Savior? Visit forwardinchrist.net/easter. A special reading of the Easter gospel is also available.



WELS CONNECTIONS

The April *WELS Connection* highlights a new opportunity for WELS to concentrate mission efforts in the French-speaking lands of Africa. In *Forward in Christ*, Larry Schlomer, administrator of WELS World Missions, shares more about World Missions’ commitment to both training *and* outreach (p. 20). Schlomer is pictured in Senegal during a trip to plan new outreach there.

EXPLORE APRIL 2026 ARTICLES



Meet Ángel and Maribel, members at Good Shepherd, Deltona, Fla., and see how they are sharing the gospel with Spanish speakers (p. 7).



How has Lutheranism in the United States changed in the last 40 years? Paul Prange examines some trends and statistics (p. 17).



What do you do if you have doubts about what the Bible says? Craig Wilke offers helpful counsel in this month’s “Please explain” (p. 30).

NEW BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY

Dive deeper into the miracles recorded in Mark with Jonathan Bourman during a four-week live online Bible study based on his current FIC series (p. 32). Watch by yourself or with family members or consider gathering a group for a weekly watch party.

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