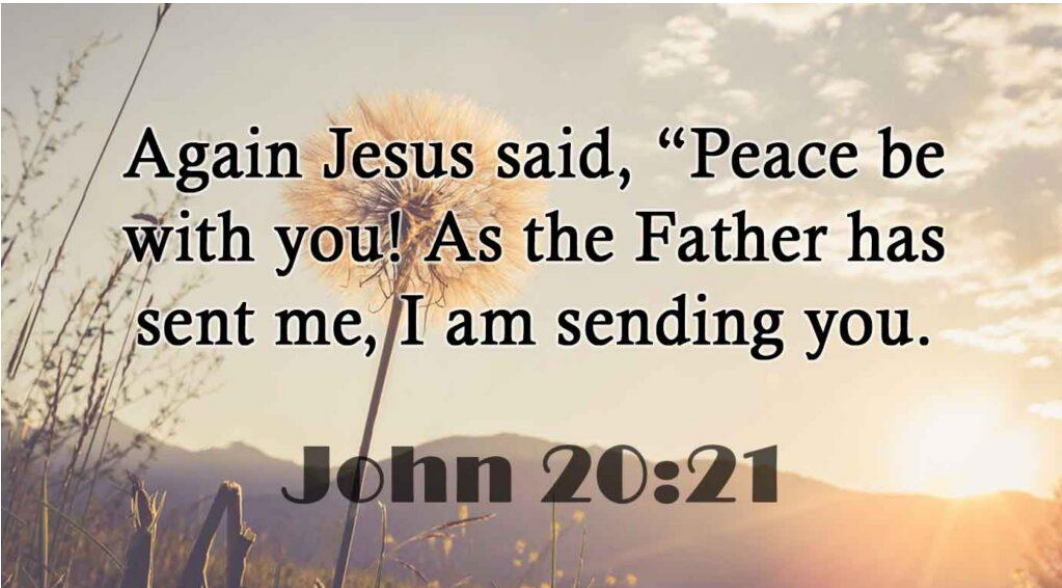


# *Good Shepherd* LUTHERAN CHURCH

## **EVERYDAY DISCIPLES**



Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.

**John 20:21**

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**April 11 & 12, 2026**

**SHARING CHRIST, CHANGING LIVES!**

Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going

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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY** The crucified and risen Lord Jesus establishes the ministry of the Gospel in order to bestow His life-giving Holy Spirit and His peace upon the Church. To those who are called and ordained to this office, and to those they serve in His name, He grants the Holy Absolution of all sins. By the fruits of His cross, He replaces fear and doubt with peace and joy, and thus gives *“repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins”* (Acts 5:31). Through the preaching of His sent ones, He calls us to believe that He *“is the Christ, the Son of God,”* so that by such faith we *“may have life in his name”* (John 20:31). In His resurrection, we have the *“living hope”* to which we have been *“born again”* and by which we are guarded *“for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time”* (1 Peter 1:3, 5). Until then, *“though you have not seen him, you love him,”* and by the mercies of God *“you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory”* (1 Peter 1:8). . If you are our guest, we pray that you find the Spirit of God alive and moving in our congregation. We rejoice that you joined us in that Spirit today. Please come again!

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**CONNECTION CARD READING OR MEMORY WORK:**

Read: John 20: 19 – 31 and/or Memorize: John 20: 21; John 20: 30 - 31

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**HEARING LOOP**

Good Shepherd is equipped with a hearing loop in both the Worship Space and the Gathering Space. If you don’t have a hearing aid but need hearing assistance, we have system devices that you can use. Please see the folks at the tech board and they will supply you with one.

# THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 12<sup>th</sup>, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD) 2026

✠ Preparation ✠

## Welcome and Connection Cards

*Stand*

## Opening Hymn - Blue 10 - Because He Lives

**Because He lives  
I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone.  
Because I know  
He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living, just because He lives.**

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Our help is in the Name of the LORD,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O LORD, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free

ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the LORD is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his Name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy Name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and his strength;  
seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

He remembers his covenant forever,  
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

**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.**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the LORD is good.

**Kyrie**

*LSB 204*



**☐** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*LSB 204*



2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shipped and a - dored;



Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The LORD be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

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.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

*(11 a.m. only) Children between the ages of 3 years old and 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to meet Cathie Geske in the Gathering Space.*

## First Reading

*Acts 5:29–42*

<sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. <sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

<sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. <sup>35</sup>And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take

care what you are about to do with these men. <sup>36</sup>For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. <sup>38</sup>So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; <sup>39</sup>but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!” So they took his advice, <sup>40</sup>and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the Name of Jesus, and let them go. <sup>41</sup>Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the Name. <sup>42</sup>And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

**L** This is the Word of the LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.  
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;  
he has put all things under his feet.

## Epistle Reading

*1 Peter 1:3–9*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more

precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

**L** This is the Word of the LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**All: Alleluia! We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia! Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia!**



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*John 20:19–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O LORD.

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples

were glad when they saw the LORD. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the LORD.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My LORD and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his Name.

**P** This is the Gospel of the LORD.

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

## Nicene Creed

**All: I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one LORD Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,**

**begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and  
the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the LORD and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day - LSB 464 - The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done**

*Refrain*

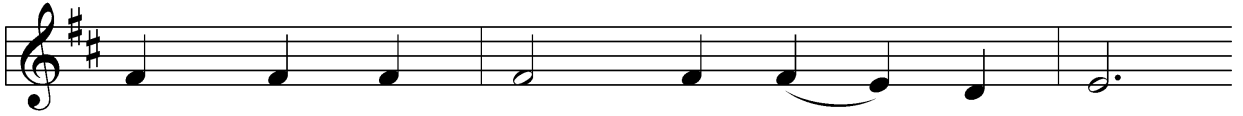


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the staff, aligned with the notes.



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;  
 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst,  
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped,



Now is the vic - tor's tri - umph won;  
 But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.  
 He ris - es glo - rious from the dead.

*The Refrain is repeated after st. 5.*



Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 All glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!

4. He broke the age-bound chains of hell;  
 The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.  
 Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.  
 Alleluia!

5. LORD, by the stripes which wounded Thee,  
 From death's dread sting Thy servants free  
 That we may live and sing to Thee.  
 Alleluia! *Refrain*

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**Sermon**

*"Peace Be With You"*

*John 20:19-31*

**Memory Verse:** “<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” John 20: 21

*Stand*

## **Dedication of the Remodeled Sacristy** *(11 a.m. only)*

### **Prayer of the Church**

*The congregation now greets one another in the Name of the LORD, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

*(11 a.m. only) Please wave to all the worshipers online!*

### **Pax Domini**

**P** The peace of the LORD be with you always.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

### **Connection Cards**

*Stand*

## **Offering and Offertory Prayer**

### **✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠**

*As Lutheran Christians we understand that the body and blood of Jesus is present in, with, and under the bread and wine. St. Paul exhorts in 1 Corinthians 11(:27-32) that we ought to examine ourselves and recognize the body and blood of Christ in this sacrament. We welcome all to the LORD’s Table who are baptized in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and wish to participate with this understanding.*

*Stand*

### **Preface**

*LSB 208*

**P** The LORD be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the LORD.

**P** Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O LORD, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

*LSB 208*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

**P** Hear us as we pray in Jesus' Name and as He has taught us:

### **LORD's Prayer**

**All: 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.**

### **The Words of Our LORD**

**P** Our LORD Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed

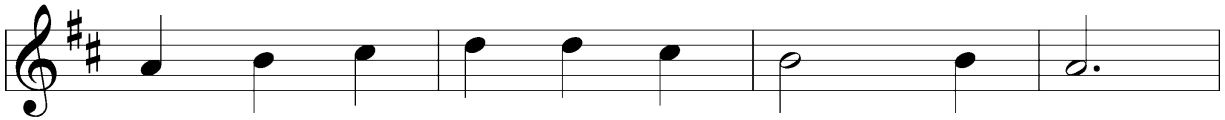
for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Agnus Dei

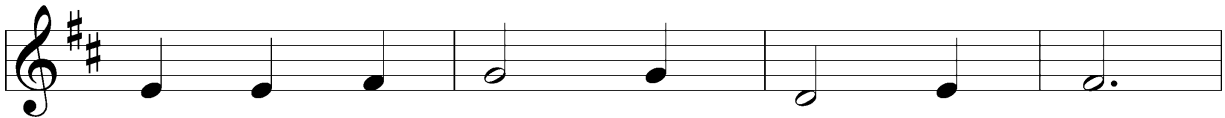
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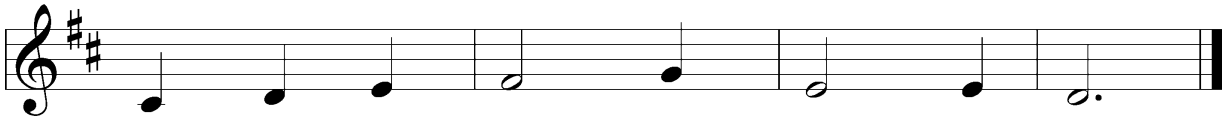
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

*Sit*

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive.*

## Distribution Hymn - LSB 618 - I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and  
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent year - ning That sin - ners  
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I  
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my  
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -  
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in  
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt  
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -  
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:  
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.  
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:  
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.  
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



*Refrain*  
 Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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# Distribution Hymn - Red 187 - Blest Be the Tie That Binds

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## Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

JOHN FAWCETT, 1740-1817

HANS G. NAEGELI, 1773-1836

1. Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris-tian love! The  
2. Be-fore our Fa-ther's throne We pour our ar-dent prayers; Our  
3. We share our mu-tual woes, Our mu-tual bur-dens bear; And  
4. When we a-sun-der part It gives us in-ward pain; But

fel-low-ship of kin-dred minds Is like to that a-bove.  
fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com-forts and our cares.  
oft-en for each oth-er flows The sym-pa-thiz-ing tear.  
we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet a-gain.

*Stand*

## Communion Dismissal

### Nunc Dimittis

*LSB 211*

1 O Lord, now let Your ser-vant De-  
2 All glo-ry to the Fa-ther, All  
part in heav'n-ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo-ry to the Son, All glo-ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## Benedicamus

LSB 212

**L** Let us bless the LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

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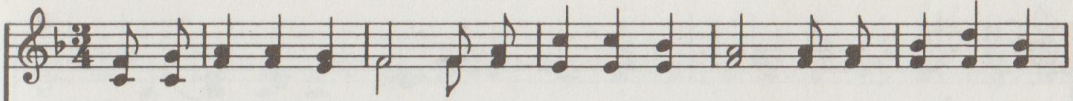
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# Trust and Obey

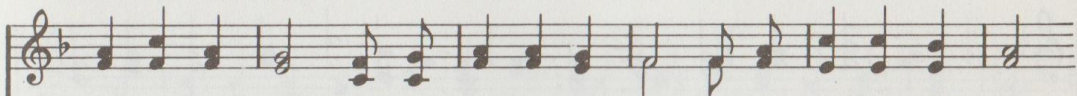
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JOHN H. SAMMIS, 1846-1919

DANIEL B. TOWNER, 1850-1919



1. When we walk with the Lord In the light of His Word, What a glo-ry He
2. Not a shad-ow can rise, Not a cloud in the skies, But His smile quick-ly
3. Not a bur-den we bear, Not a sor-row we share, But our toil He doth
4. But we nev-er can prove The de-lights of His love Un-til all on the
5. Then in fel-low-ship sweet We will sit at His feet, Or we'll walk by His



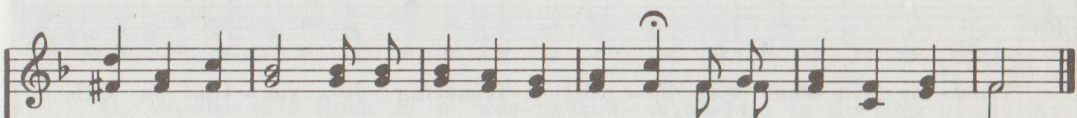
sheds on our way! While we do His good will He a-bides with us still,  
drives it a-way; Not a doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a tear,  
rich-ly re-pay; Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross,  
al-tar we lay, For the fa-vor He shows And the joy He be-stows  
side in the way; What He says we will do, Where He sends we will go-



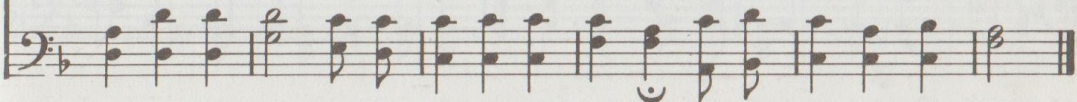
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And with all who will trust and o-bey.  
Can a-bidewhile we trust and o-bey.  
But is blest if we trust and o-bey. Trust and o-bey- For there's  
Are for them who will trust and o-bey.  
Nev-er fear, on-ly trust and o-bey.



no oth-er way To be hap-py in Je-sus But to trust and o-bey.



*Our elders offer a ministry of prayer. If you would like personal prayer or for them to gather others to pray with you, please speak to anyone whose name tag says "Elder" on it.*

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- C** Congregation
- L** Leader or Lector; an Elder, one of the Readers, or another lay person
- A** Assisting minister; an Elder, Commissioned Minister or other trained worship leader
- All:** Pastor or Leader and the congregation speak together
- △** Doxological verse; the congregation stands in praise and honor of the Holy Trinity

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 12 - 19, 2026 (at church unless noted)**

- Sunday:      Worship/Communion, 8 & 11 AM  
                  Sunday School, 9:30 AM  
                  Prayer Team Meeting, 12:30 PM  
                  Prayer Shawls Group, 12:30 PM
- Monday:     Women’s Bible Study, 1 PM
- Tuesday:    Bible Study, 9:30 AM  
                  Grief Share Group Begins, 5:30 PM  
                  Vision Team Meeting, 6 PM
- Saturday:   LWML Zone Meeting 9:30 AM – 3 PM  
                  Worship/Communion, 5:30 PM
- Sunday:     Worship/Communion, 8 & 11 AM  
                  Sunday School, 9:30 AM  
                  Prayer Team Meeting, 12:30 PM  
                  Prayer Shawls, 12:30 PM

### **THANKS TO THOSE SERVING JESUS**

We thank Andy & Amanda Reding and Michael & Stephanie Cheney for working out a means for us to share worship with you this week. We also thank Lisa Serron, Linda

Benivegna, Lisa Brahm, Hugh Shipley, Glenn Banke, Doc Tessendorf, Sandy Voigt, Jacki Scheib, Stephanie Cheney, John Pilecki, Gary Paradise & Bob Jauch for their work in the office and building. A great big thank you to Doc Tessendorf, John Pilecki & Gary Paradise for their continued work in the sacristy. We also thank all who serve at worship this weekend. There are many “angels” in our congregation and community who go about living out their vocations as the Body of Christ. We know they do this not to be recognized, but because God has called and led them to do what they do. God bless you all and thank you to all!

## **THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF HOLY WEEK/EASTER OFFERINGS**

This Holy Week and Easter, our Special offerings were designated to be a blessing to our community. These offerings will be sent to bless Family Promise of Ontario County. \$6,545.00 was received for this purpose. Thank you to all who offered their gifts.

### **SERVING ON APRIL 18 & 19**

**SATURDAY EVENING:** Jenny Tessendorf, Glenn Banke, JoAnne VanBuren

**EARLY CHURCH:** Greg Trost, Brian Edwards, Lisa Serron Bob & Barbara Jauch

**LATE CHURCH:** Ron & Kathy Chapman, Cindy Hemingway, Bob & Sandy Smith, Andy & Amanda Reding, Annie Roxburgh, Addy Modzel, Dave & Sandy Pittenger, Jill Persson, Kathey Drennan, Hugh Shipley, Sandy Voigt

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING**

### **NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS, BEGINNING APRIL 12**

Interested in diving into the Bible and getting a better understanding of God’s word and plan, but find it difficult? Join us on Sunday mornings during Sunday school for a book discussion on approaching the Bible in a less intimidating and more proactive way. Books are available through the office and class and we will begin our discussion on Sunday, April 12. Please contact Jill Persson at [jill.m.persson@gmail.com](mailto:jill.m.persson@gmail.com) or 585-301-1568 if you have any questions.

**OH, MY - A LITTLE LAMB'S PIE!  
DEADLINE TO ORDER IS APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>!!!**



Little Lambs will be taking orders for delicious frozen pies from the "Special Touch Bakery"-(Holy Childhood) to raise money for classroom equipment and supplies. Choices will be: Chocolate Peanut Butter Pie - \$25, Apple Crumb, Strawberry/Rhubarb, Cherry and Rumbleberry (blueberry, blackberry & raspberry) - each for \$20. These are 10 inch pies and can last in the freezer for up to a year! PRE-PAID orders are due by April 17<sup>th</sup> with a pick up date of May 8<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are available in the Gathering Space. Please consider supporting Little

Lamb's AND your Mom!

**GRIEF SHARE GROUP, BEGINS APRIL 7**

The next cycle of Grief Share will begin on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM. The group will meet in the Teen Room. This is a 13-week program and is for anyone grieving a loss.



**LWML Genessee Zone Spring  
Rally, April 18**

Dearest Ladies of Good Shepherd,

I am cordially inviting you to a lovely afternoon of fellowship, fun and an opportunity to learn more about our new ministry Camp-in-Daigua as well as meet new women in mission from our wider church body called the LWML. The LWML is Lutheran Women in Mission and is an auxiliary of our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and you are already part of this group just by being a Lutheran Woman in mission! It is for confirmed women of all ages! Look for more information about the LWML in weekly devotions coming up this Lent. I genuinely hope to see you all there!

Your Fellow Woman in Mission,  
Cathie Geske

**Registration 9:30 a.m. - \$5 registration**

**Rally 10:00 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

**Interpreter and child care available upon request.**

**The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd  
320 S. Pearl St.  
Canandaigua, NY 14424**

**Please sign-up on your connection card to let us know you will join us and on the Wittenburg Door if you would like to help serve or cook lunch that day – we would like to give our ladies in Christ a warm welcome to our congregation!**

**See poster on the Wittenburg Door for more information.**

### **WHAT IS LWML?**

Hello Ladies of Good Shepherd! As promised here is a bit more information about the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) and in particular one of the national publications called the LWML Quarterly. The Quarterly is a magazine published by the national LWML and includes many articles about missions around the country and the globe being carried out by women just like you! An online free version is available (with limited content) at <https://www.lwml.org/lutheran-womans-quarterly> or you can purchase the annual four publications for \$8. We will have one online subscription which Cathie Geske will print and can be passed around if you want to see the whole thing. Please check out the LWML at [lwml.org](http://lwml.org) and see what women are doing to further the gospel here and abroad!

### **CAMP-IN-DAIGUA MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE TO ORDER**

We have Camp-in-Daigua SWAG (Shirts, Wearables, And Gifts) available for pre-order. Please call/text Cathie Geske at (585) 369-5696 form more details, or talk to her after service. Thanks for supporting, and advertising, our new outreach ministry!



## NOW ACCEPTING REGISTRATION FOR FALL LITTLE LAMBS!



Do you know someone with a child who is ready for preschool? Suggest Little Lambs! We are now accepting registration for the 2026/2027 school year. If they have questions, they are free to call the church office and Miss Kelly will return their call. Remember, word of mouth is the best advertisement!

### **\*\* SAVE THE DATE – MEN’S RETREAT\*\***

Theme: "Discipleship in the Lion's Den"

Lutheran Laymen's League - 2026 Men's Retreat  
May 29, 30, & 31 (Friday - Sunday)

Speaker Pastor Seltz is the former speaker of the Lutheran Hour radio program and current director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty. The retreat will start at 4 pm on Friday, May 29, 2026, continue thru Saturday, May 30, and end at noon Sunday, May 31. Location: Pioneer on the Lake, 9324 Lake Shore Road, Angola, NY 14006.

## **SUPPORT**

### **A THOUGHT FROM THE PRAYER TEAM Everyday Disciples – Sharing Christ – Changing Live Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going**

Like Thomas, who wanted to see Jesus' wounds for himself in order to believe... we sometimes come to prayer with doubt, fear, and heavy hearts rather than unwavering joy. We question and doubt... yet, Jesus stands before us, welcoming us with all our imperfections. Prayer is not about perfection, but bringing our honest, messy, skeptical selves to a Lord who desires to show us His wounds and heal our own.

In your prayers today, follow Thomas's example and move from skepticism to adoration, placing all your doubts directly into the hands of the Risen Christ

"And Jesus said to him, 'If you can'! All things are possible for one who believes.' Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, 'I believe; help my unbelief!'" Mark 9:23-24

*For a better understanding read the surrounding verses*

\*\*Check out the prayer resources in the prayer room. Prayer Shawls are available should you desire to have one or wish to gift one to someone you know

## CCIA UPDATE

**Items running low at the food pantry are: Pasta sauce and tuna fish.** The need is greater than ever. Please be as generous as you can. If you would like, Tammy Beattie can do the shopping for you! Just put your gift in an envelope in Tammy Beattie's mailbox marked "CCIA". Or, you can certainly shop yourself! Your food donations can be placed in the wooden box labeled CCIA under the Mission counter in the coat room. Thanks in advance for being a good servant!



## CARING NOTES

- Leon & Theresa Pfuntner as they both deal with health issues
- Donna Allhusen, daughter of Mary, as she deals with health issues
- Delores Furnum as she deals with health issues
- Marlene Pawlukewicz, (spouse, Joe) as she deals with health issues
- Jonathan Allhusen, son of Mary, (wife, Andrea, son, Christian), as he deals with health issues
- Steve Schneider (spouse, Barb) as he deals with health issues
- Sandy Pittenger, as she recuperates

## SERVING OUR LORD

The Ministers

Rev. Steven R. Geske, Pastor

Rev. Don Muller, Pastor Emeritus

Lisa Serron, Office Manager

Linda Benivegna, Administrative Assistant

Stephanie Cheney, Music Director

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# ONGOING PRAYERS

## Connected to Good Shepherd by family or friendship:

**Pat & Mark Gunn, Tashi & Emma Benivegna, Mike & Kerri Eames**, family & friends of Benivegna's; **Donna & Jonathan Allhusen**, daughter & son of Mary; **Marsha Johnson, Theresa Pulver**, family & friends of Terry & Linda Savage; **John & Sandy Beatty, Allison Sacheli and Rena Faulkner**, friends of Bill Fuge; **Sara Romano**, s-i-l of Vince and Tracy Romano; **Erin Smith Bernard**, daughter of Bob & Sandy Smith; **Judy Brainard**, mother of Kelly Nichols; **Charles & Allan Bucher**, brothers of Jean Bucher; **Debbie Hendershot**, d-i-l of Don & Gayle Hendershot; **Cary's Appel**, d-i-l of Mike Thompson; **Tim Genaway**, friend of Tammy Beattie; **Ruth Boselli**, sister of Pastor Don & Roxann Muller; **Slade Tiller** - son of Tammy Beatty

In our **PRAYERS** today we remember:

- **Shirley Perryman**
- **John Soto** – stage four pancreatic cancer
- **Terry Henninger** – upcoming medical appointments
- **Jacki Scheib** – Health issues
- **Cathie Geske** – torn peroneal tendon
- **Sue Boezi** – possible brain tumor or lesion affecting speech
- **Steve and Barb Schnieder** – on going health issues
- **Robert Joslyn** – ongoing health issues
- **Bart and Deborah Adams** – on going health issues
- **Jon Allhusen** – waiting for heart and liver transplants
- **Bill and Judy Ballway** – on going health issues
- **Bill Fuge** – broken foot
- **Leon and Theresa Pfuntner** – on going health issues
- **Sandy Pittenger** – on going health issues
- **Ashley Hendershot**, niece of Don & Gayle, healing after surgery
- **Chad Wood**, son of Sandy Salvagni, seizures

- **Gayle Hendershot**, healing after surgery
- **Pastor Steve**, healing
- **HOLLY PERRY-FRITZ**, family of Pam Rood, continued prayers for late stages of cancer
- **SHARON WRIGHT**, friend of Pam Rood, may she be comforted in her very stressful life
- **TODD RIDLEY**, having surgery this week
- **For safe travels for Josh Rood**

**WORSHIP NEXT WEEKEND**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**April 18, 2026 5:30 p.m.**  
**April 19, 2026 8 and 11 a.m.**

**Divine Service, Setting Four**

**-With Holy Communion-**