

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Missouri Synod*



## **The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

April 21, 2024

Divine Service, Setting Two – LSB 167

**8:00 & 10:30\*am, 5:00 pm**

\*livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

### **As We Gather**

#### **Jesus, the Good Shepherd, Lays Down His Life for the Sheep**

The Lord Jesus is “the good shepherd” who “lays down his life for the sheep” (John 10:11). His life is not taken from Him, but He lays it down willingly, of His own accord, because He knows and loves the sheep. As the One sent by the Father, He has the “authority to lay it down” and the “authority to take it up again” (John 10:18). So has He done, and now He continues to love and serve as the Good Shepherd of the sheep by the voice of His Gospel. He thus calls all people into the fold of His Church, so that there may be “one flock, one shepherd” (John 10:16). That is why the apostles “were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead” (Acts 4:2). Since “there is salvation in no one else,” His voice rings out to this day through the preaching of His name, “for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12). His voice comforts our hearts against all condemnation and gives us courage to “love one another” and “to lay down our lives for the brothers,” as He laid down His life for us (1 John 3:16, 23).

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# ✠ ✠ ✠ GATHERING ✠ ✠ ✠

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC – *I Am Jesus' Little Lamb* (arr. Donald Rotermund)

## HYMN OF INVOCATION – LSB 475 – Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joi - ce and sing! Now is the tri - umph  
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to  
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which  
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
strew His way; Let all the world re - joi - ce and say:  
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



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

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## INVOCATION – LSB 167

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*(silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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**INTROIT – Psalm 23; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b**



*Leader:* I am the good | shepherd.\*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

**C** **The LORD is my | shepherd;\***

**I | shall not want.**

*Leader:* He makes me lie down in green | pastures.\*

He leads me beside still | waters.

**C** **He re- | stores my soul.\***

**He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.**

*Leader:* Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,  
for you are | with me;\*

your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

**C** **You prepare a table before me in the presence of my | enemies;\***

**you anoint my head with oil; my cup | overflows.**

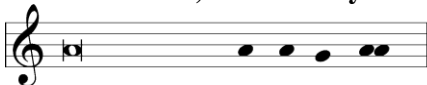
*Leader:* Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,\*  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

**C** **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

**I am the good | shepherd.\***

**I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.**

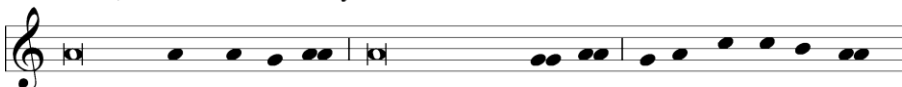
**KYRIE – Lord, Have Mercy – Mark 10:47**



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni - ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### HYMN OF PRAISE – This is the Feast – *Revelation. 5:12-13; 19:5-9*

*Leader:* This is the feast of victory for our God! Alleluia!



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.

Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and

hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,

for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.

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

**SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY**— 2 Timothy 4:22

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray... one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON** — Acts 4:1-12 — Peter and John are brought before the Jerusalem Council.

<sup>1</sup>As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, <sup>2</sup>greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. <sup>3</sup>And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. <sup>4</sup>But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

<sup>5</sup>On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. <sup>12</sup>And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** — Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6 — The congregation sings all.

Christ has ris - en  
from the dead. God the Fa - ther has  
crowned Him with glo - ry and hon - or. He has  
giv - en Him do - min - ion o - ver the works of His



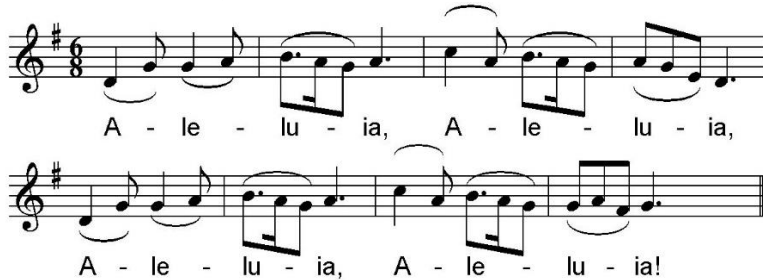
**SECOND LESSON – 1 John 3:16 24**— Followers of Christ are called to love in deed and in truth.

<sup>16</sup>By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. <sup>17</sup>But if anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

<sup>19</sup>By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; <sup>20</sup>for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; <sup>22</sup>and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA and VERSE – Romans 6:9; John 10:14**



*Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;  
death no longer has dominion over him. REFRAIN*

*I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me. REFRAIN*

**HOLY GOSPEL – John 10:11-18 – Jesus is the Good Shepherd.**

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup>[Jesus said:] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

<sup>12</sup>He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and

leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

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



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

10:30 am – Children’s Message

**HYMN OF THE DAY – LSB 709 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is**



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in  
 4 In death’s dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant  
 love He sought me And on His shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.  
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 And, oh, what transport of delight  
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
 Thy goodness faileth never;  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
 Within Thy house forever!

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## SERMON – *Strength to Love* – John 10:11-18

### 8 am – NICENE CREED

**C** 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  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

### 10:30 am & 5 pm – APOSTLES' CREED

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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  $\text{✝}$  everlasting. Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**A** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** ... one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**OFFERING** – *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (arr. Healey Willan)

**OFFERTORY** – *Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to  
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa - lem.

**10:30 am & 5 pm** – Continue with the **Lord's Prayer** (*page 12*)  
and conclude with the **Benediction and Closing Hymn** (*page 17*).



# ✠ ✠ ✠ SACRAMENT ✠ ✠ ✠

beginning at LSB 177

## PREFACE



**P** The Lord be with you.



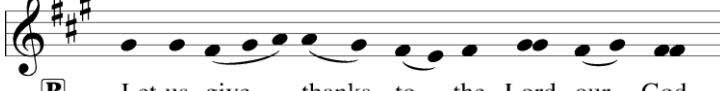
**C** And al-so with you.



**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...evermore praising you and singing:

## SANCTUS – Holy, holy, holy – *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### For Guests and Visitors Desiring the Sacrament

As a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we confess, in accord with the Scriptures, that **in this sacred meal Jesus Himself is truly present to forgive our sin and strengthen our faith.**

Participation in this meal indicates that you **believe, have been baptized, and have been taught** according to our Lord's command **and are in doctrinal agreement** with this confession.

- **If you are visiting from outside the Lutheran Church or are new to the faith**, we welcome you to come to the altar with arms crossed to receive a blessing.
- **If you desire to receive instruction for the Lord's Supper**, please speak with one of our pastors.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth... To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### WORDS OF OUR LORD

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** ...So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### LORD'S PRAYER

**C** 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.

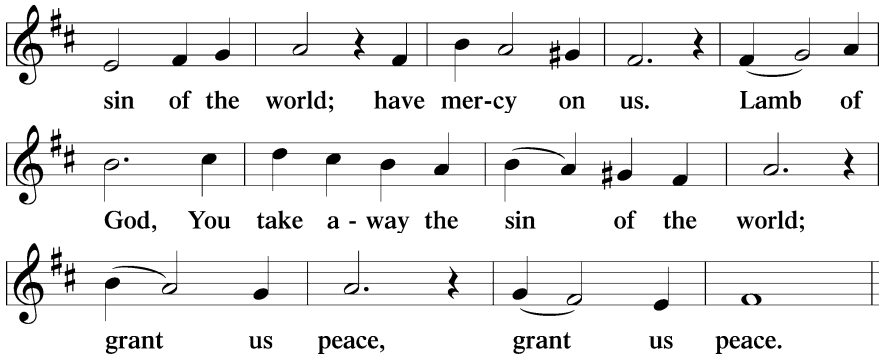
#### PAX DOMINI – The Peace of the Lord – *John 20:19*

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

**C** Amen.

#### AGNUS DEI – Lamb of God – *John 1:29*

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of  
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION

### Choral Anthem - *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* (arr. John Ferguson)

#### The congregation joins in singing the refrain:



*Refrain*  
 You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.  
 Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

#### Distribution Notes:

If you need **gluten-free wafers**, please let one of the pastors know.

**Non-alcoholic** grape juice, containing a trace amount of wine, is available in the center of the tray.

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,  
 They know and heed his voice;  
 So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord,  
 We follow and rejoice. Refrain

2 With joyful lips we sing to You  
 Our praise and gratitude  
 That You should count us worthy, Lord,  
 To share this heav'nly food. Refrain

3 Is not the cup we bless and share  
 The blood of Christ outpoured?

Do not one cup, one loaf, declare  
 Our oneness in the Lord? Refrain

4 The myst'ry of Your presence, Lord,  
 No mortal tongue can tell:  
 Whom all the world cannot contain  
 Comes in our hearts to dwell. Refrain

5 You give Yourself to us, O Lord;  
 Then selfless let us be,  
 To serve each other in Your name  
 In truth and charity. Refrain

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# LSB 620 – Jesus Comes Today with Healing



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my  
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and  
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the  
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.  
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,  
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,  
me this hour— In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His  
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the  
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter  
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."  
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.  
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.  
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
Whose own feast of love I savor,  
Bidden by His gracious call.  
Wedding garments He provides me,  
With a robe of white He hides me,  
Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,  
Comfort in my tribulation,  
Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
Cleanses me from sin and error,  
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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## LSB 683 – Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me



1 Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can reach, no  
2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but Thy pure  
3 This love un - wearied I pur - sue And daunt - less - ly to  
4 In suf - f'ring be Thy love my peace, In weak - ness be Thy



tongue de - clare; U - nite my thank - ful heart to Thee,  
love a - lone; Oh, may Thy love pos - sess me whole,  
Thee as - pire. Oh, may Thy love my hope re - new,  
love my pow'r; And when the storms of life shall cease,



And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -  
My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my  
Burn in my soul like heav'n - ly fire! And day and night, be  
O Je - sus, in that fi - nal hour, Be Thou my rod and



lone I am; Be Thou a - lone my con - stant flame.  
heart re - move; My ev - 'ry act, word, thought be love.  
all my care To guard this sa - cred trea - sure there.  
staff and guide, And draw me safe - ly to Thy side!

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**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – LSB 680 – Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise**

*Please stand for Verse 5.*

*Vs. 1: Women*

*Vs. 3: Choir*

*Vs. 2: Men*

**Vs. 4-5: All**



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -  
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the  
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the  
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the  
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head  
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree  
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee  
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise  
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the  
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the  
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine-yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** ... one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

## BENEDICTION – Numbers 6:24-26

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**P** Christ is risen! Alleluia!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## HYMN TO DEPART – LSB 740 – I Am Jesus' Little Lamb



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at  
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my  
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,  
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,  
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry  
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He  
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me



day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.  
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.  
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

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## SILENT PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST-SERVICE MUSIC – *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing* (arr. Mark Bender)



**Kyrie, Hymn of Praise, Offertory, Preface,**

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**Gradual: “Christ Has Risen From the Dead”** – Setting: Jonathan Mueller

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**Post-Communion Hymn: “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”** – Setting: Carl Schalk

**TODAY: SUNDAY, April 21**

9:15am Sunday School + Bible class

6:00pm FLY

**MONSDAY, April 22**

Dine and Donate day for FLY

**TUESDAY, April 23**

11:30am Preschool Spring Music Program

2:00pm Quilting

5:15pm First Steps in Music

6:15pm Children's Choir

6:15pm Softball (Twin Lakes, F3)



**WEDNESDAY, April 24**

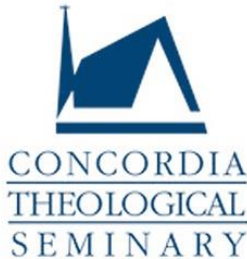
10:00am Men's & Women's Bible studies

11:15am Lunch & Learn –

*Hands-Only CPR and Choking First Aid*

(presenter: Janet Hitzeman, R.N.)

7:00pm Senior Choir (4<sup>th</sup> grade – adult)



**TUESDAY, April 23**

**WEDNESDAY, April 24**

**Call Day(s) at our Seminaries**

This week vicarage and deaconess internship assignments will be announced, and pastoral candidates will receive their Divine Call placements at special services at Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne and Concordia Seminary – St. Louis.

Close to home, **Jeff Arnold** will receive his Divine Call at the service in Fort Wayne at 7pm on Wednesday evening.

Visit <https://in.lcms.org/livestream-call-day-2024-at-ctsfw-csl/> for details, including the scheduled times as well as links to the live streams and posted lists of assignments and placements. (This link was also in the April 19 Friday@Faith email.)



**SATURDAY, April 27**

**5:00pm Confirmation Examination & Fellowship Dinner**

*Everyone is invited* to attend this special dinner in honor of the Confirmands. The evening will **begin in the sanctuary** as the students testify to their faith by reading papers they've written on various aspects of the Christian faith. They will also answer questions from the pastors, using Bible passages they have memorized.

We then move to the gym for a pasta dinner (including gluten free option) hosted by our 7<sup>th</sup> grade families. **Please sign up [online](#) or on the podium in the narthex**, so we know how much food to prepare.

**SUNDAY, April 28**

**10:30 am - Rite of Confirmation**

As congregational members, be sure to **remember these young people in your prayers** that they may remain faithful to their vows:

*Arie Edwards ✝ Sebastian Schaefer ✝ Margaret Sui*

“Confirmation is a rite by which a baptized person renews his baptismal vow, publicly confesses his faith and is received into communicant membership by the congregation.”

(Explanation of *Luther's Small Catechism*)



**WEDNESDAY, May 1**

**6:30pm Created Male & Female Watch Party & discussion**



**SATURDAY, May 18**

**11am-1pm**

Ladies of all ages - Join us for a delicious Tea and a Silent Auction to benefit [New Hope Family Shelter](#).

**Donations for the Auction** - handmade or purchased - may be left in the Sunday School across from the kitchen *with your name on it* in case we have questions.

Please sign up [online](#) or on the podium in the narthex, so we have a count for food.

**You Are Cordially Invited**

Please join us for a fundraising Soiree in the Garden including a complimentary dinner and concert to benefit the work of the Pan-African Academy of Christian Surgeons (PAACS).

**ZIONSVILLE, INDIANA  
SATURDAY, JUNE 1  
DOORS OPEN AT 5 PM ET**  
Dinner served at 5:30 PM ET

Featuring Five Time  
GRAMMY Award Winning  
Christian Artist

**Steven Curtis  
Chapman**

Bring two friends to  
enjoy the evening  
with you!

**SATURDAY, June 1**  
**Soiree in the Garden with Steven Curtis Chapman**

Dr. C.R. Powell and PAACS are thrilled to extend this special invitation to you for an extraordinary evening that promises to be both uplifting and impactful. This time will be filled with inspiration, music, and the opportunity to learn how we can play a part in changing lives for the better.

Space is limited! **RSVP by May 10** via the link in Friday@Faith email or the EVENTS bulletin board (or click the picture, if using the digital bulletin).

Doors open at 5:00pm  
Concert begins at 6:30pm

Contact Kathy Powell (kathypowell@hotmail.com) with questions.

**SPIRIT CAMP 2024**

**CELEBRATE  
the Savior**  
Jesus Gives Us Joy

**JUNE 10-13**

To support Spirit Camp with your Time and Talents - either *before* or *during* the week - sign up at [FaithBtown.org](http://FaithBtown.org) or on the podium in the narthex.

Contact Sarah Beck or Alyse Cannon at [spiritcamp@faithbtown.org](mailto:spiritcamp@faithbtown.org) for more information.



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